

**CITY OF AMSTERDAM, NY
COMMON COUNCIL
AUGUST 5, 2014**

RESOLUTION #14/15-25

RESOLUTION REGARDING MAYOR'S USE OF CITY VEHICLE

BY: ALDERWOMAN HATZENBUHLER AND ALDERMAN LEGGIERO

WHEREAS, numerous complaints have been made publically by residents concerning the Mayor's use of the city's vehicle for personal use,

RESOLVED, the Mayor is hereby required to comply with the following:

1. The Mayor's vehicle is to be used for city business only and unless out of town on City business the vehicle shall be housed in the Mayor's parking spot at City Hall.
2. The Mayor shall use their own personal vehicle to and from City hall and is not permitted to use the City-owned vehicle for any personal use, i.e. transportation of children, grocery shopping, the gym, etc.
3. The Mayor shall maintain a log of vehicle usage and gas shall be obtained from the DPW garage so that there will be a log of gas consumption and gas shall not be obtained at the Public Safety building.
4. All mileage for NYCOM business will be recorded and submitted t NYCOM for reimbursements
5. The Mayor, as well as all city employees are requested to observe all rules of the road including speed limits and use of equipment for hands free driving.

MOTION TO TABLE by Alderman Russo passed with Aye. (8/5/14)

MOTION TO REMOVE FROM TABLE by Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler passed with Aye.

MOTION TO REFER TO COMMITTEE by Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler passed with Aye. (9/2/14)

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay

Alderman Russo		

Alderwoman Beekman		

Alderman Barone		

Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler		

Alderman Leggiero		

ANN M. THANE, MAYOR

Dated: _____, 2014

**CITY OF AMSTERDAM, NY
COMMON COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 2, 2014**

RESOLUTION #14/15-34

RESOLUTION ADOPTING MINUTES OF THE LAST COMMON COUNCIL MEETINGS

BY: ALDERWOMAN BEEKMAN

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Common Council meeting of the August 19, 2014 and the Special Meeting of August 27, 2014 are hereby adopted.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderwoman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler	√	
Alderman Leggiero	√	

ANN M. THANE, MAYOR

Dated: _____, 2014

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RESOLUTION #14/15-35

RESOLUTION APPROVING AUDIT

BY: ALDERWOMAN HATZENBUHLER

RESOLVED, the bills examined by the Common Council and reported herewith as correct and they are, allowed and ordered paid and the City Clerk is authorized and empowered to issue warrants in payment of same.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
Alderman Hatzenbuhler	√	
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RESOLUTION #14/15-36

RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET – TRANSPORTATION

BY: ALDERMAN RUSSO

RESOLVED, the Controller is authorized to amend the 2014-2015 budget for receipt of insurance MVA recovery as follows:

INCREASE REVENUE

CT-2680	Ins. Recovery	\$6,337.54
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INCREASE EXPENSE:

CT-5630-4070	Vehicle Repair	\$6,337.54
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RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderwoman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler	√	
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RESOLUTION #14/15-37

RESOLUTION APPROVING SMOKE FREE CITY-OWNED RECREATION AREAS

BY: ALDERWOMAN HATZENBUHLER

WHEREAS, the smoking of tobacco in the proximity of children and adults engaging in or watching outdoor recreational activities at city owned or operated facilities is detrimental to their health and can be offensive to those using such facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Amsterdam supports a no-tobacco standard through a tobacco-free policy, rule enforcement, and adult-peer role modeling on city owned outdoor recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the tobacco industry advertises at and sponsors recreational events to foster a connection between tobacco use and recreation; and

WHEREAS, cigarettes and chew products, once consumed in public spaces, are often discarded on the ground requiring additional maintenance expenses, diminish the beauty of the city's recreational facilities and pose a risk to toddlers due to ingestion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Amsterdam determines that the prohibition of tobacco use at the city's recreational facilities serves to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Amsterdam.

RESOLVED, the City of Amsterdam adopts a tobacco free policy for all city-owned recreation facilities effective immediately.

MOTION TO REFER TO COMMITTEE by Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler passed with Aye. (9/2/14)

COMMON COUNCIL
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	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo		
Alderwoman Beekman		
Alderman Barone		
Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler		
Alderman Leggiero		

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RESOLUTION #14/15-38

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HIRING OF LABORER – DPW

BY: ALDERMAN LEGGIERO

RESOLVED, the Mayor is hereby authorized to fill one laborer vacancy in the department of public works caused by employee retirement with said funding already set in the 2014-2015 budget.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
Alderman Hatzenbuhler	√	
Alderman Leggiero	√	

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RESOLUTION #14/15-39

RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET - ENGINEERING

BY: ALDERMAN LEGGIERO

RESOLVED, the Controller is authorized to amend the 2014-2015 budget for receipt of insurance recovery for fire hydrant damage as a result of an MVA, as follows:

INCREASE REVEUE:

F-2680	Ins. Recovery	\$392.00
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INCREASE EXPENSE:

F-8340-1001	Overtime	\$158.36
F-8340-4000	Contractual	\$.30
F-8340-4042	Replacement Parts	\$169.00
F-8340-4070	Vehicle Repair	\$ 64.34

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIOUSLY.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
Alderman Hatzenbuhler	√	
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RESOLUTION #14/15-40(consent)

RESOLUTION AMENDING 2013-2014 BUDGET

BY: ALDERWOMAN HATZENBUHLER

WHEREAS, fiscal amendments to the 2013-2014 operating budget are needed to close out the fiscal year expenses in the “:A: fund,

RESOLVED, the Controller is authorized to amend the operating budget for 2013-2014, as set forth in detail on the attached document.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
Alderman Hatzenbuhler	√	
Alderman Leggiero	√	

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RESOLUTION #14/15-41(consent)

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT WITH AMSTERDAM WATERFRONT FOUNDATION

BY: MAYOR THANE

WHEREAS, funds for community concerts were appropriated

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderwoman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler		√
Alderman Leggiero	√	

in the 2014-2015 operating budget and community concerts have been planned and provided by the Amsterdam Waterfront Foundation,

RESOLVED, the Mayor is authorized to execute the attached contract with the Amsterdam Waterfront Foundation.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED. Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler voted nay.

COMMON COUNCIL
City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderwoman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
Alderwoman Hatzenbuhler		√
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RESOLUTION #14/15-42(consent)

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL S7934

BY: FULL COUNCIL

RESOLVED, the City of Amsterdam Common Council is hereby in full support of proposed Senate Bill S7934 sponsored by Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk described as follows

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to prevent Drug Addiction a disease in children age 12 to 18 years or graduating from High School by routinely performing drug screening test for illegal drugs as part of physical every year and as deemed necessary; inclusive

PURPOSE OR GENERAL IDEA OF BILL:

To prevent drug addiction by mandating drug screening testing of all children from 12 to 18 years of Age strictly from Health point of view. Use of Illicit drugs and abuse of some prescription drugs lead to addiction which causes a Brain Disease. Although initial drug use might be voluntary, once addiction develops this control is markedly disrupted.

The single most powerful motivator in Drug abusers existence is to acquire the illicit drug and he or she will do anything to acquire the drug. The impact of illicit drugs touches many social aspects: crime, violence, domestic and sexual abuse, educational failure, healthcare costs, HIV & AIDs, accidents and injuries.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) state in 2012 about 2.9 million persons aged 12 or older used illicit drug for the first time within the past 12 months, this averages to 7900 new users per day. The rate of illicit drug users increases from 3.5% at 12 years of age to 16.6% at ages 16 years of age. The highest rate of current illicit drug use is in college students 18 to 20 year old at 23.0%.

Among all the seriousness of health problems Americans consider drug abuse as number one, compared to Cancer, Heart Disease, HIV/Aids etc.

Estimated Economic Cost to society due to Substance Abuse and Addiction is \$181 billion/year compared to Diabetes \$131.7 billion and Cancer \$171.6 billion.

Parents of children addicted to illegal drugs and prescription drugs are the last one to know in spite of being vigilant.

Drug Addiction does not discriminate against race, color and gender.

Parents of young children express concern and fear that their children will be exposed to Drugs, on School grounds when they grow to be teenagers.

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:

Every child age 12 to 18 receiving health services shall have performed a drug screening test for illegal drugs if not annually.

JUSTIFICATION :

Drug Addiction is a disease and in the United States of America it is in epidemic proportion. Heroin related deaths increased 84% in NYC from 2010 to 2012.

Drug abuse is so prevalent in children. Children often develop drug addiction which is a disease and no child is screened or tested for drug use strictly from health point of view. If tested positive for illicit drugs in **EARLY STAGES**, they can be taken care of with parental and community involvement before the child develops an addiction.

1) It is **mandatory** to do screening tests in Newborns for disease that are very rare. The incidence of some diseases is 1 in 450,000 children. Yet the incidence of illicit drug use in college is 23%.

2) It is mandatory to do Lead screening test in children at 1 and 2 years of age, even though they live in houses with Lead free paint.

3) It is mandatory to give immunizations for some diseases that are rare in the United States of America such as Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Polio yet every child attending school is required to receive 5 shots of Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Polio vaccinations.

The illicit drug use in the United States of America is so prevalent, leading to drug addiction and no child is tested routinely for drugs strictly from a health point of view with no punitive measures, with no legal or criminal implications, maintaining strict confidentiality. The records will be destroyed permanently when child leaves the School and will never be used for future references.

For the fact that children know, they will be tested for use of Illegal Drugs this Law acts as deterrent.

Savings: Major portion of Estimated Economic Cost of \$181 billion to the society due to Substance Abuse and Addiction will be avoided. This is a great savings of Tax payer's money.

COST: With Affordable Care Act everyone is covered by the insurance. Medicaid, Managed care and Private Insurances should cover the cost of Drug screening as they cover for other preventive tests like Lead Screening, Newborn Screening for rare diseases, and Immunizations. Drug Addiction is a Disease and prevalent. Drug screening test should also be covered.

Advantages of the Bill

Aim is to decrease the number of children 12 yrs or older using the illicit drugs for the first time which is 7900 every day according to SAMHSA.

This bill acts as Deterrent from trying the illicit drugs as the children 12 yrs and older will know that they can be tested for drugs once every year or as deemed necessary at any time.

We can decrease the concern among parents about children attending sports or parties getting involved with illicit drugs. Among all the seriousness of health problems Americans consider drug abuse as number one, compared to Cancer, Heart Disease, HIV/Aids etc.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMON COUNCIL
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	Aye	Nay
Alderman Russo	√	
Alderman Beekman	√	
Alderman Barone	√	
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