

**COMMON COUNCIL MEETING**  
**September 6, 2022**  
**6:00PM**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Salute to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Adoption of Agenda
- V. Proclamations
- VI. Communications and Presentations
- VII. Public Participation
- VIII. Controller's Report
- IX. Old Business:
- X. New Business:
  - (a) Resolutions
  - (b) Ordinances:
  - (c) Local Laws:
  - (d) Introduction of Ordinances:
  - (e) Introduction of Local Laws:
  - (f) Committee Reports
  - (g) Scheduling of Committee Meetings
  - (h) Other
- XI. Executive Session.
- XII: Adjournment

**5:30PM COW**

- 1. Review of Agenda Items
  - 2. Any other business to come before the Council
- 5:50 Public Hearing – CDBG Grant Application**  
**5:55 Public Hearing 2- Restore NY 2022**

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*OLD BUSINESS*

*NEW BUSINESS*

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| <b>35. RESOLUTION APPROVING MINUTES</b>  | <b>MARTUSCELLO</b>  |
| <b>36. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT -CED/WESTON&amp;SAMPSON</b>                      | <b>S. GOMULA</b>    |
| <b>37. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT 2022 RESTORE NY GRANT- 5 CORNERS DEMO</b>                   | <b>S. GOMULA</b>    |
| <b>38. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS –CITY HALL MAINTENANCE/BOILER</b>                   | <b>MAYOR</b>        |
| <b>39. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS – DPW REPAIRS</b>                                   | <b>QUIST-DEMARS</b> |
| <b>40. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOA-AMSTERDAM PBA</b>                                      | <b>MAYOR</b>        |
| <b>41. RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET- RECREATION/WEST END PARK</b>                          | <b>MARTUSCELLO</b>  |
| <b>42. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS- ENGINEERING/ WWTP</b>                              | <b>QUIST-DEMARS</b> |
| <b>43. CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING- SEPT 2022 AS RECOVERY MONTH</b>                | <b>QUIST-DEMARS</b> |
| <b>44. CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPT 2022 AS OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH</b> | <b>QUIST-DEMARS</b> |
| <b>45. RESOLUTION APPROVING AUDIT</b>  | <b>COLLINS</b>      |

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**RESOLUTION #22/23-35**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING MINUTES OF THE LAST COMMON COUNCIL MEETING**

**BY: ALDERMAN MARTUSCELLO**

**RESOLVED**, the minutes of the last Common Council Regular Meeting of August 16, 2022 are hereby adopted.

City of Amsterdam, NY

	Aye	Nay
Aldерwoman Quist-Demars		
Alderman D. Gomula		
Aldерwoman Collins		
Alderman S. Gomula		
Alderman Martuscello		

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**RESOLUTION #22/23-36**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH WESTON & SAMPSON**

**BY: ALDERMAN S. GOMULA**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam was the recipient of a 2021 Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) award from the New York State Department of State (NYS DOS) through the Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA) program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA) project will complete a Nomination for the West End Study Area which encompasses an area of approximately 158 acres characterized with approximately 22 potential brownfield sites that are bounded by the Mohawk River to the South, the western boundary of the City to the West, Division Street to the North, and Pearl Street to the East; and

**WHEREAS**, that said grant funding was awarded in the amount of \$81,000 from the New York State Department of State (NYS DOS) with a City of Amsterdam share of \$9,000 in the form of cash, for a total project of \$90,000;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam released a Request for Proposals (RFP) under the Professional Services purchasing policy; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam received 3 RFP submittals for the project,

**RESOLVED**, that the City of Amsterdam will award the project to Weston & Sampson in the amount of \$90,000; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, upon review of the provided contract with Weston & Sampson by the City Attorney, the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign said contract.

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	Aye	Nay
Alderwoman Quist-Demars		
Alderman D. Gomula		
Alderwoman Collins		
Alderman S. Gomula		
Alderman Martuscello		

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**RESOLUTION #22/23-37**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION THROUGH THE 2022 RESTORE NY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM-5 CORNERS DEMOLITION PROJECT**

**BY: ALDERMAN S. GOMULA**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam has an interest in revitalizing urban areas and stabilizing neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam recognizes that the renewal of these downtown areas will strengthen the local economy and increase quality of life for residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project is consistent with the municipality's local revitalization or urban development plan; that the proposed financing is appropriate for the specific project; that the project facilitates effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and preservation of community resources; and where applicable, the project develops and enhances infrastructure and/or other facilities in a manner that will attract, create and sustain employment opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam desires to apply to the New York State Empire State Development Corporation, Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program to redevelop the 5 Corners site in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam is the owner of one parcel and has an active TIO on the other parcel; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam intends to file an application for \$2 million request for the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding is a 10% minimum equity match grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, the administration of any grant will be completed by the Department of Community & Economic Development;

**RESOLVED**, that the City of Amsterdam, acting as governing body and owner of aforementioned sites hereby supports the efforts of the City's application submission for the 2022 Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program; and

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**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Amsterdam will provide the 10% equity match for the grant(s) that is required per grant regulations, in addition to the \$500 application fee that is required per each grant.

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<u>Alderman Quist-Demars</u>		
<u>Alderman D. Gomula</u>		
<u>Alderman Collins</u>		
<u>Alderman S. Gomula</u>		
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**RESOLUTION #22/23-38**

**RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS- CITY HALL MAINTENANCE BOILER REPAIR**

**BY: MAYOR CINQUANTI**

**WHEREAS**, a transfer is necessary in order to pay for the repair of the City Hall boiler in order for it to properly function;

**WHEREAS**, a portion of ARPA funding will be used for this repair; Now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, the Controller is authorized to transfer funds from the 22/23 FY Budget as follows:

**DECREASE EXPENSE:**

A.4089	ARPA	\$40,000.00
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**INCREASE EXPENSE:**

A.1620.4029	Plumbing Repair	\$40,000.00
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City of Amsterdam, NY

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Alderwoman Quist-Demars		
Alderman D. Gomula		
Alderwoman Collins		
Alderman S. Gomula		
Alderman Martuscello		

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**RESOLUTION #22/23-39**

**RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS- DPW REPAIR**

**BY: ALDERWOMAN QUIST-DEMARS**

**WHEREAS**, a transfer is necessary in order to pay for Water Department parts and supplies to make various repairs to water lines, valves, hydrants etc.; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, the Controller is authorized to transfer funds from the 22/23 FY Budget as follows:

**DECREASE EXPENSE:**

F.1990.4036	Contingency	\$91,678.05
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**INCREASE EXPENSE:**

F.8340.4042	Replacement Parts	\$91,678.05
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**RESOLUTION #22/23-40**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING –  
AMSTERDAM PBA**

**BY: MAYOR CINQUANTI**

**RESOLVED**, the Mayor is authorized to execute the attached Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Amsterdam and the Amsterdam Police Benevolent Association, Inc.

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	Aye	Nay
Alderman Quist-Demars		
Alderman D. Gomula		
Alderman Collins		
Alderman S. Gomula		
Alderman Martuscello		

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**RESOLUTION #22/23-41**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT- RECREATION/WEST END MEMORIAL PARK**

**BY: ALDERMAN MARTUSCELLO**

**WHEREAS**, a budget amendment is necessary in order to cover associated costs of tree and stump removal from storm damage at the West End Memorial Park; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, the Controller is authorized to amend the 22/23 FY Budget as follows:

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A.2680	Insurance Recovery	\$5,300.00
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**INCREASE EXPENSE:**

A.7020.4000	Contractual	\$5,300.00
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_____ Alderman D. Gomula		
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**RESOLUTION #22/23-42**

**RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS- ENGINEERING/ WWTP**

**BY: ALDERWOMAN QUIST DEMARS**

**WHEREAS**, a transfer is necessary in order to pay for EPG I/I Collection Study (\$21,450.00) & EPG WWTP & Pump Station Study (\$36,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the City is to receive \$45,000.00 in reimbursement funds from the Engineering Planning Grants Program administered by NYSDEC; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, the Controller is authorized to transfer funds from the 21/22 FY Budget as follows:

**DECREASE EXPENSE:**

G.8120.4155	Hauling and Disposal	\$57,450.00
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**INCREASE EXPENSE:**

G.8120.4000	Contractual	\$57,450.00
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Alderman Quist-Demars		
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**RESOLUTION #22/23-43**

**CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2022 AS RECOVERY MONTH IN THE CITY OF AMSTERDAM**

**BY: ALDERWOMAN QUIST-DEMARS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam proudly claims a motto of “Small City, Big Heart”; and

**WHEREAS**, in the month of September, the City extends that “big heart” to those in the Recovery Community by honoring National Recovery Month; and

**WHEREAS**, National Recovery Month declares the theme “Recovery is for Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community” ; and

**WHEREAS**, we in the Amsterdam community acknowledge the many ways addiction and mental health struggles have affected those we care about; and

**WHEREAS**, National Recovery Month seeks to increase public awareness surrounding mental health and addiction recovery ; and

**WHEREAS**, National Recovery Month supports evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the service providers and community support for recovery and the recovery community itself who should be loud and proud of their accomplishments ; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam supports and encourages all of its citizens to ask for help when needed and journey to improve their health and overall wellness; and

**WHEREAS**, we celebrate and thank the many community organizations, advocacy and support groups, and the healthcare professionals that work in the field of addiction and mental health everyday;  
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the City of Amsterdam recognizes September 2022 as Recovery Month.

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	Aye	Nay
_____ Alderwoman Quist-Demars		
_____ Alderman D. Gomula		
_____ Alderwoman Collins		
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**RESOLUTION #22/23-44**

**CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2022 AS OVARIAN  
CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF AMSTERDAM**

**BY: ALDERWOMAN QUIST-DEMARS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam proudly claims a motto of “Small City, Big Heart”;  
and

**WHEREAS**, in the month of September, the City extends that “big heart” to those in the  
Ovarian Cancer Community by honoring Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, Ovarian Cancer Awareness month seeks to bring attention to the disease and  
its symptoms in hope for early detection and better health outcomes for women; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam has previously supported these efforts by allowing  
the placement of teal ribbons throughout the City; and

**WHEREAS**, one in seventy-eight women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer and better  
survival rates are achieved with early detection; and

**WHEREAS**, women should know the symptoms of ovarian cancer -bloating, loss of  
appetite or feeling full after a few bites of food, abdominal pain and frequent urination; and

**WHEREAS**, women should be aware that there is currently no diagnostic test for ovarian  
cancer and it is not detected through pap smears; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Amsterdam supports and encourages all of its citizens, especially  
women, to advocate for their health and journey to improve their health and overall wellness; and

**WHEREAS**, we celebrate and thank the many community organizations, advocacy and  
support groups, researchers and the healthcare professionals that work in the field of ovarian cancer  
everyday; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

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**RESOLVED**, the City of Amsterdam recognizes September 2022 as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.

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Alderman Collins		
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**RESOLUTION #22/23-45**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AUDIT**

**BY: ALDERWOMAN COLLINS**

**RESOLVED**, the bills and documentation of same presented in “Pre-Check Writing Report Parameter” dated September 6, 2022 to the Common Council and affirmed by the Controller as correct and to be paid, the City Clerk is authorized and empowered to issue warrants in payment of same.

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	Aye	Nay
Alderswoman Quist-Demars		
Alderman D. Gomula		
Alderswoman Collins		
Alderman S. Gomula		
Alderman Martuscello		

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