

**CITY OF WATERTOWN, NEW YORK**  
**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**  
**Wednesday, January 25, 2023**  
**6:00 p.m.**

This shall serve as notice that a **special meeting** of the City Council will be held on **Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers, 245 Washington Street, Watertown, New York.

**ROLL CALL**

**READING OF NOTICE OF THE MEETING**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Hearing -        Application for Restore NY Funding for the Greenleaf Builders Special Project at 567 and 571 Fairbanks Street and 629 Factory Street

Public Hearing -        Application for Restore NY Funding for the YMCA Community Center Project, 146 Arsenal Street

**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution 1 -        Sponsoring and Supporting an Application for Restore NY Funding for the Greenleaf Builders Special Project at 567 and 571 Fairbanks Street and 629 Factory Street

Resolution 2 -        Sponsoring and Supporting an Application for Restore NY Funding for the YMCA Community Center Project, 146 Arsenal Street

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING IS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023.**

Res No. 1  
Public Hearing – 6:00 p.m.

January 19, 2023

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Jennifer L. Voss, Senior Planner

Subject: Sponsoring and Supporting an Application for Restore NY Funding for the Greenleaf Builders Special Project at 567 and 571 Fairbanks Street and 629 Factory Street

A public hearing has been scheduled to discuss the Greenleaf Builders Special Project being considered for an application for funding under Round 7 of the Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program for 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2023. The application is due on January 27, 2023.

On November 30, 2022, the City submitted the Intent to Apply for the special project which has been accepted by ESD. The final application is due on January 27, 2023. If awarded, this grant would assist Greenleaf Builders in the adaptive reuse of three buildings into a mix of commercial space and approximately 130 units of housing, both market rate and workforce housing, known as Housing at the Carriages.

The public hearing notice was published on January 21, 2023. In addition, a required Property Assessment Notice was published in the Watertown Daily Times for three consecutive days beginning on January 23, 2023.

After the public hearing, the City Council may consider the attached Resolution. The Resolution states that the City Council supports and sponsors an application for Restore NY funding for the Greenleaf Builders Special Project at 567 and 571 Fairbanks Street and 629 Factory Street.

**RESOLUTION**

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Sponsoring and Supporting  
an Application for Restore NY  
Funding for the Greenleaf Builders  
Special Project at 567 and 571 Fairbanks  
Street and 629 Factory Street

Council Member HICKEY, Patrick J.

Council Member OLNEY III, Clifford G.

Council Member PIERCE, Sarah V.C.

Council Member RUGGIERO, Lisa A.

Mayor SMITH, Jeffrey M.

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***Introduced by*** \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS the City of Watertown is eligible for grant funding under Round 7 of the Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program, and

WHEREAS the City Council has considered proposals that qualify for funding under the program and selected one special project to be included in an application that will be submitted to the Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC) as follows:

The adaptive reuse of three buildings located at 567 and 571 Fairbanks Street and 629 Factory Street into a mix of commercial space and approximately 130 units of housing, both market rate and workforce housing, known as Housing at the Carriages, and

WHEREAS this special project is consistent with all existing local plans, the proposed financing is appropriate for the project, the project will facilitate effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and preservation of community resources and the project develops and enhances infrastructure and/or other facilities in a manner that will attract, create and sustain employment opportunities in the City of Watertown,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby supports and will sponsor a special project application for Restore NY funding for the Housing at the Carriages Project located at 567 and 571 Fairbanks Street and 629 Factory Street and will administer the grant in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations established by ESDC, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to sign the application and any agreements required by ESDC for grant funding that results from the application.

***Seconded by*** \_\_\_\_\_

Res No. 2  
Public Hearing – 6:00 p.m.

January 19, 2023

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Jennifer L. Voss, Senior Planner

Subject: Sponsoring and Supporting an Application for Restore NY Funding for the YMCA Community Center Project, 146 Arsenal Street

A public hearing has been scheduled to discuss the YMCA Community Center Project being considered for an application for funding under Round 7 of the Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program for 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2023. The application is due on January 27, 2023.

On November 8, 2022, the City submitted the Intent to Apply for the project which has been accepted by ESD. The final application is due on January 27, 2023. If awarded, this grant would assist the Watertown Family YMCA to redevelop a large vacant brownfield site in the center of Watertown's downtown to become an 89,880 sq. ft thriving community and aquatic center.

The public hearing notice was published on January 21, 2023. In addition, a required Property Assessment Notice was published in the Watertown Daily Times for three consecutive days beginning on January 23, 2023.

After the public hearing, the City Council may consider the attached Resolution. The Resolution states that the City Council supports and sponsors an application for Restore NY funding for the YMCA Community Center Project at 146 Arsenal Street.

**RESOLUTION**

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Sponsoring and Supporting  
an Application for Restore NY  
Funding for the YMCA Community  
Center Project, 146 Arsenal Street

Council Member HICKEY, Patrick J.

Council Member OLNEY III, Clifford G.

Council Member PIERCE, Sarah V.C.

Council Member RUGGIERO, Lisa A.

Mayor SMITH, Jeffrey M.

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***Introduced by*** \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS the City of Watertown is eligible for grant funding under Round 7 of the Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program, and

WHEREAS the City Council has considered proposals that qualify for funding under the program and selected one regular project to be included in an application that will be submitted to the Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC) as follows:

Redevelopment of 146 Arsenal Street. The project will assist the Watertown Family YMCA to redevelop a large vacant brownfield site in the center of Watertown's downtown to become an 89,880 square foot thriving community and aquatic center, and

WHEREAS this project is consistent with all existing local plans, the proposed financing is appropriate for the project, the project will facilitate effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and preservation of community resources and the project develops and enhances infrastructure and/or other facilities in a manner that will attract, create and sustain employment opportunities in the City of Watertown,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby supports and will sponsor an application for Restore NY funding for the YMCA Community Center Project located at 146 Arsenal Street and will administer the grant in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations established by ESDC, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to sign the application and any agreements required by ESDC for grant funding that results from the application.

***Seconded by*** \_\_\_\_\_