

## From The House

Dear Neighbors:

I wanted to announce some exciting State grants that were recently announced for various projects that will greatly benefit our City.

\*Completion of Farmington Avenue streetscape - \$4.5 million grant to finish the streetscape improvements on Farmington Avenue from Sherman Street to Prospect Avenue.

\*Police Athletic League - \$7.5 million to renovate the PAL location at Quirk Middle School. The renovation will include classrooms for tutoring, vocational training, computer arts programs, athletic facility enhancements and a full pool restoration.

\*Housing Development - Sheldon Oak, a non-profit housing development corporation, will receive \$2.5 million to finance the redevelopment and enrichment of a three story mixed use building at 696-714 Albany Avenue, along with the single story retail building at 690 Albany Avenue. In addition, \$12 million was awarded to help with the redevelopment of the former Westbrook Village and Bowles Park, which will include hundreds of new housing units and retail.

\*Harriet Beecher Stowe Center - \$750,000 grant to assist with various improvements.

All of these projects reflect a commitment from Governor Malloy and the State to our City. I was proud to have been a very vocal advocate for all of these projects.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me regarding any issues or if I can ever be of any assistance. I can be reached at (860) 240-8500 or [matthew.ritter@cga.ct.gov](mailto:matthew.ritter@cga.ct.gov). Enjoy the remaining weeks of summer!