



UKS COVID-19 – Executive Order 7CC

On April 21, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued Executive Order 7CC which speaks to the applicability of Executive Order 7S.

Order 7S, Section 7 provided that a municipality's legislative body and budget-making authority has authority to approve certain financial transactions, expenditures, or decisions, without in-person approval of residents or taxpayers.

Order 7CC, Section 1 clarifies Order 7S, Section 7, by stating that the following actions may also be authorized by a majority vote without in-person voting requirements:

- the applications for or acceptance of any grants, funding, or gifts;
- approval of collective bargaining agreement and legal settlements;
- transfer of funds to or from capital or reserve accounts;
- the investment of funds pertaining to pensions, trusts, retirement programs or other post-employment benefit funds; or
- any financial actions required by (a) contract or agreement or (b) a court order or consent decree that require approval.

Additionally, Order 7CC provides clarification as to the time periods regarding suspension and modification of non-judicial tax sales pursuant to Order 7S, Section 11. Order 7S, Section 11 provided relief to property tax payers by restricting municipalities from moving forward with non-judicial tax sales for the period of March 10, 2020 through the end of the current public health and preparedness emergency. Order 7CC amends Order 7S, Section 11 to provide that any non-judicial tax sales held prior to March 10, 2020 and any six month redemption period in General Statutes Section 12-157 which had not yet expired as of April 2, 2020, shall be extended by the number of whole months that is nearest to the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency, including any period of renewal of such public health and civil preparedness emergency.

The full text of Executive Order 7CC can be found at the following link:

<https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Office-of-the-Governor/Executive-Orders/Lamont-Executive-Orders/Executive-Order-No-7CC.pdf>

The full text Executive Order 7S can be found at the following link: <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Office-of-the-Governor/Executive-Orders/Lamont-Executive-Orders/Executive-Order-No-7S.pdf>

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