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Ordinance would change city's approach to criminal records on job applications

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Norwich – Former Alderwoman Jacqueline Caron is asking the City Council to consider a new ordinance that would change the way the city and its contractors consider criminal records on job applications.

Caron, founder and chairwoman of the Connecticut Pardon Team, addressed the City Council Tuesday on the proposal. Today, she submitted the draft proposed ordinance to the mayor and City Council. The draft was written by the Clean Slate Committee, an initiative of the statewide A Better Way Foundation. The group hopes to submit the ordinance to other cities and towns in Connecticut in the near future. Norwich Mayor Benjamin Lathrop said he is willing to discuss the proposal and he would put it on the Sept. 15 council meeting for discussion if Caron makes that request.

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