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Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 28, 2025 6:00 PM

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Aldermanic Chambers

Aldermanic Affairs Committee

(Board of Alders Notice New Haven) The Aldermanic Affairs Committee of the Board of Alders will meet "in-person" on Monday, July 28, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Alders Chamber located at 165 Church Street, 2nd Floor, New Haven, Connecticut, to hear and act on the following items:

- 1) LM-2025-0339 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF KAY ANDERSON TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.
- 2) <u>LM-2025-0337</u> ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF SUSAN HARRIS TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.
- 3) LM-2025-0340 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF NADINE HORTON TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.
- 4) LM-2025-0338 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF DANYNE MERCER TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.
- 5) <u>LM-2025-0335</u> ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JAMILAH RASHEED TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.
- 6) LM-2025-0334 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF STEVEN WERLIN TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.
- 7) LM-2025-0341 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF EBONY BOWDEN-MOORE TO THE CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.
- 8) <u>LM-2025-0345</u> ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF RYAN HUNLOCK TO THE CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.
- 9) LM-2025-0350 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MIRANDA IP TO THE LEAD POISONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
- 10) LM-2025-0351 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANDREA MURRELL TO THE LEAD POISONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
- 11) LM-2025-0343 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF DALLAS DAVIS TO THE PARKING AUTHORITY.
- 12) LM-2025-0285 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE

APPOINTMENT OF CARL BABB TO THE COMMISSION ON PARKS, PROGRAMS, AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

- 13) LM-2025-0357 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH EDWARDS TO THE HOMELESS ADVISORY COMMISSION.
- 14) LM-2025-0356 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JEAN JENKINS TO THE CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.
- 15) LM-2025-0355 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ANNE MARIE RIVERA-BERRIOS TO THE CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.
- 16) LM-2025-0354 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF FRANK MONGILLO TO THE LEAD POISONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Committee Action Only

17) LM-2025-0336 ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF AMELEA LOWERY TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

Per Order: Hon. Rosa Ferraro Santana, Chair Attest: Hon. Michael Smart, City/Town Clerk

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Minutes

Monday, July 28, 2025 6:00 p.m. Aldermanic Chamber

Alder Rosa Ferraro Santana, Chair, called the public hearing to order at 6:03 p.m.

Present were Alders Rosa Ferraro Santana, Chair; Evette Hamilton, Vice-Chair; Evelyn Rodriguez; Theresa Morant; and Angel Hubbard.

1. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF KAY ANDERSON TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Kay Anderson, 380 Huntington Street, spoke in support of her appointment to the Food Policy Council.

In response to Alder Santana, Ms. Anderson spoke about her experience working in food justice.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Ms. Anderson described how she thinks the Food Policy Council works towards food equity. Confirmed it meets once a month, and she will make herself available to attend the meetings.

Chair Santana noted for the record that the Food Policy Council has not met for some time.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

2. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF SUSAN HARRIS TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Susan Harris, 10 Springside Avenue, spoke in support of her appointment to the Food Policy Council.

In response to Alder Santana, Ms. Harris discussed how she used to serve on the Food Policy Council and wants to continue to serve.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Ms. Harris confirmed she will make herself available to attend meetings once they are scheduled. Discussed how they started only having three (3) people attend, which was not enough for quorum, so they stopped meeting.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

3. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF NADINE HORTON TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Nadine Horton, 495 Winthrop Avenue, spoke in support of her appointment to the Food Policy Council.

In response to Alder Santana, Ms. Horton spoke about how she grows food in a community garden. Discussed how the growing season starts in the middle of April to middle of October. Sometimes, it extends into November. Recently, they partnered with the Fair Haven Health Department to contribute to their health pharmacy. The food they grow is organic.

In response to Alder Morant, Ms. Horton reviewed how they grow a lot of vegetables including garlic, eggplants, etc. and flowers.

In response to Alder E. Rodriguez, Ms. Horton talked about how they are hoping to extend their growing season by installing a greenhouse. They do not encourage storing food but instead encourage recipients to eat it as quickly as possible.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

4. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF DANYNE MERCER TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

COMMITTEE ACTION

No committee action.

5. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JAMILAH RASHEED TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Jamilah Rasheed, 22 Arthur Street, spoke in support of her appointment to the Food Policy Council.

In response to Alder Santana, Ms. Rasheed discussed her work for a local nonprofit, which offers a food pantry, and Gather. She attended Food Policy Council meetings several years ago when it was more active. Talked about the effects of hungry and food insecurity. Spoke of the importance of using government funds to help end hungry in the United States rather than hoarding money to fund the genocide in Gaza.

In response to Alder E. Rodriguez, Ms. Rasheed discussed the effects of our government taking money away. It is important to help people and teach them.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

6. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF STEVEN WERLIN TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Steven Werlin, 24 Alden Avenue, spoke in support of his appointment to the Food Policy Council.

In response to Alder Santana, Mr. Werlin discussed the importance of the work of Food Policy Council.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Mr. Werlin confirmed he will make time to fit the meetings into his schedule. When it is important, you make time.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

7. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF EBONY BOWDEN MOORE TO THE CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Ebony Bowden, 131 Downing Street, spoke in support of her appointment to the Civilian Review Board.

In response to Alder Santana, Ms. Bowden discussed how the work of the Civilian Review Board interested her because she wants to learn how local ordinances intersect and govern how the police should interact with the public.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Ms. Bowden confirmed she knows when the Civilian Review Board meets and confirmed her availability to attend meetings.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 7 and 8, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

8. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF RYAN HUNLOCK TO THE CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Ryan Hunlock, 512 Norton Parkway, spoke in support of his appointment to the Civilian Review Board.

In response to Alder Santana, Mr. Hunlock discussed his experience as a criminal defense attorney and investigator. He has seen both bad and good police interactions.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Mr. Hunlock discussed the importance of representing clients in the criminal defense system to ensure they are clothed in the presumption of innocence. Spoke about how there are at least three sides to every story – one being the truth.

In response to Alder E. Rodriguez, Mr. Hunlock confirmed he is acutely familiar with the work of the New Haven Police Department both as a resident and representing defendants.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Mr. Hunlock confirmed he worked with the City of Albany years ago when he was in law school to help them establish their own civilian review board. Confirmed his availability and wanting to establish roots in New Haven.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 7 and 8, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

9. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF MIRANDA IP TO THE LEAD POISONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Dr. Miranda Ip, 173 Livingston Street, spoke in support of her appointment to the Lead Poisoning Advisory Committee.

In response to Alder Santana, Dr. Ip discussed how as a pediatrician she sees a lot of lead cases in children. There is no amount of acceptable lead levels in children.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Dr. Ip confirmed her availability to attend the committee's meetings.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 9 and 10, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

10. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANDREA MURRELL TO THE LEAD POISONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Andrea Murrell, 109 Colony Road, spoke in support of her appointment to the Lead Poisoning Advisory Committee.

In response to Alder Santana, Ms. Murrell discussed her interest in merging her experience as a nurse and being a lifelong neighbor resident. Spoke about how she was looking for ways that she could give back to the community. It's not always like the glamorous work that you might see, but the things that things get changed. Committees can help ensure residents are safe. Inherited an older house from her great aunt, and right before Covid, one of her tenants tested positive for lead. Discussed how they needed to go through the lead abatement process, which at times was a very interesting and challenging process. Feels she has a unique perspective she can offer to the committee to help bring awareness to how individual landlords might feel about the process. New Haven has a lot of old homes that have a lot of lead-based paint.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Ms. Murrell confirmed she is available for the meetings. Understands the committee has not met for some time, but she is committed to making sure she is available.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 9 and 10, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the

Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

11. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF DALLAS DAVIS TO THE PARKING AUTHORITY.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Dallas Davis, 132 Temple Street, spoke in support of his appointment to the Parking Authority.

In response to Alder Santana, Mr. Davis discussed his interest in the New Haven Parking Authority, and its importance as a revenue source for New Haven.

In response to Alder Hamilton, Mr. Davis confirmed he knows when the Parking Authority meets and is available to attend.

In response to Alder E. Rodriguez, Mr. Davis reviewed how he would advocate for higher parking fees on the weekends both on the streets and in the garages. Spoke of the importance of using vacant land near the train station to establish another parking lot that people can use to access the train station by a shuttle bus.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved item # 11, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

12. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF CARL BABB TO THE COMMISSION ON PARKS, PROGRAMS, AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Carl Babb, 556 Winthrop Avenue, spoke in support of his appointment to the Commission on Parks, Programs, and Recreational Facilities.

In response to Alder Santana, Mr. Babb spoke about how the parks are a passion of his, and he wants to continue to serve on the newly formed parks commission. Discussed how things for the new commission are changing, but they are used to facilitating the recreational use of the park facilities. Spoke about how they need to make our parks and programs more accessible to New Haven children. Coaches and children come in from the suburbs using our facilities but do not include New Haven children. Described it as a free for all. Other towns charge out of town visitors parking fees to park at their parks, where New Haven facilities are entirely free for people visiting from other towns.

In response to Alder E. Rodriguez, Mr. Babb discussed how we need to bring our rangers into the community to expose our children to the parks.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved item # 12, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

13. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH EDWARDS TO THE HOMELESS ADVISORY COMMISSION.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved item # 13, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

14. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JEAN JENKINS TO THE CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 14, 15, and 16, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

15. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ANNE MARIE RIVERA BERRIOS TO THE CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 14, 15, and 16, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

16. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved items # 14, 15, and 16, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

17. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF AMELEA LOWERY TO THE FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Evette Hamilton moved to give item # 17 leave to withdraw, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item was given leave to withdraw.

Alder Evette Hamilton moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. The motion was unanimously approved at 6:53 p.m.

Alder Evette Hamilton moved to adjourn, seconded by Alder Evelyn Rodriguez. The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjourn: 7:09 p.m.

A recording of this meeting can be viewed on the Board of Alders' YouTube channel here: https://youtube.com/@boardofalders8363.

Respectfully submitted, Misty Maza, J.D., Legislative Aide II