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Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

7:00 PM

Board of Alders Chamber - 165 Church Street, New Haven - 2nd
Floor

Board of Alders

Attendance: (26-4) Present- Alders: Douglass, Hubbard, E.Rodriguez, Singh, C. Rodriguez, Sabin, Cupo, C.Smith, Festa, Murphy, Morant, Ferraro-Santana, Miller, Redente, Punzo, DeCola, Edwards, Mabery-NiBlack, Streater, Morrison, Walker-Myers, Marchand, Marx, Furlow, Hogan, Smith). Absent-Alders: (4) Flores, Crespo Hamilton, Wingate.

Divine Guidance: (Alder Festa)

Approval of the Journal of December 16, 2024, Board of Alders Meeting. (Approved).

ELECTIONS

1. By Resolution:

- a. Affirmative Action Commission. One Member. One Year Term (Alder Morrison).
- b. Capital Projects Committee. Two Members (not from the same party). One Year Term. (Alder Ferraro-Santana)
- c. City Plan Commission. One Member. One Year Term. (Alder Marchand).
- d. Cultural Affairs Commission. One Member. One Year Term. (Alder Flores).
- e. Development Commission. One Member. One Year Term. (Alder C. Smith)
- f. Parks Commission. Two Members (elected bipartisan). One Year Term. (Alder H. Smith).

UNANIMOUS CONSENT

2. From Tax Collector, Order De Tax Refunds (January 7, 2025). (Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Order Passed).
3. Order concerning real property taxes of Gary Atkins on motor vehicle tax accounts 690247, 838991, and 855057. (Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Order Passed).
4. Order concerning real property taxes of Nicole Benson on motor vehicle tax accounts 54297, 54298, 54503, 54535, 81216, and 81217. (Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Order Passed).
5. From the Associate Director of Yale University Planning Administration submitting a Resolution of the Board of Alders certifying that no Amendment to the Yale University Central/Science overall Parking Plan is required in connection with the submission of the 2024 annual update to the Central/Science Overall Parking Plan. (Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Resolution Adopted).
6. From the Director of Parking, Transportation & TDM of Yale New Haven Hospital submitting a Resolution of the Board of Alders certifying that no amendment to the Medical Area Overall Parking Plan is required in connection with the Submission of the 2024 annual update to the Medical Area Overall Parking Plan. (Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Resolution Adopted).

COMMUNICATIONS

7. From the Mayor submitting a request to approve the reappointment of Dr. Alice Forrester to the Board of Public Health. (Referred to Aldermanic Affairs Committee).
8. From the Mayor submitting a request to approve the reappointment of Isaias Miranda to the Board of Police Commissioners. (Referred to Aldermanic Affairs Committee).
9. From the Mayor submitting a request to approve the reappointment of Kelcy Steele to the Board of Fire Commissioners. (Referred to Aldermanic Affairs Committee).
10. From the Mayor submitting a request to approve the reappointment of Jeanette Sykes to the Board of Library Directors. (Referred to Aldermanic Affairs Committee).

11. From the Mayor submitting the required Updated Budgetary and Financial Reports for the month ending November 30, 2024, in compliance with Article VIII section 5 of the Charter. (Referred to Finance Committee).

12. From the Director of the Department of Community Resilience submitting an Order authorizing the Mayor of the City of New Haven to apply for and accept grant funding from the U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Children's Mental Health Initiative to fund a system of care for youth experiencing severe emotional disturbances and at risk for developing psychosis and to execute all documents and contracts as necessary in partnership with the prime psychosis risk clinic at Yale University. (Referred to Health and Human Services Committee).

13. From the Executive Director of City Plan submitting the following report from the City Plan Commission meeting on December 18, 2024: REPORT: 1660-04 RE: Resolution of the Board of Alders to promote a sustainable and healthy New Haven while responding to the climate emergency. Submitted by New Haven Climate Movement. (Read and Filed).

SECOND READINGS

14. City Services and Environmental Policy. Favorable.
 - a. Order of the New Haven Board of Alders designating the southeast corner of Davenport Avenue and Ward Street to "Rev. Bonita D. Grubbs Corner" in perpetuity for her commitment, significant contributions, and service to people in New Haven and beyond. (Order Passed).
 - b. Order of the New Haven Board of Alders authorizing the Mayor of the City of New Haven to apply for and accept the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program Formula Grant from the US Department of Energy to fund the purchase of an electric refuse vehicle. (Order Passed).
 - c. Order of the New Haven Board of Alders authorizing the execution of a throttling valve easement agreement between the City of New Haven and the South-Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority. (Order Passed).
 - d. Order of the New Haven Board of Alders to read and file the communication to "approve the designation of a Residential Parking Zone on Porter Street from Legion Avenue to the end of Porter Street. (Order to Read and File Passed).

15. Finance. Favorable.

- a. Order to Read and File the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the City of New Haven fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. (Order to Read and File Passed).
- b. Order to Read and File the Federal and State Compliance report for the City of New Haven, Connecticut, for the year ending June 30, 2023. (Order to Read and File Passed).
- c. Order of the New Haven Board of Alders authorizing the City of New Haven to enter into a contract worth \$370,936.81 with Yondr Inc. to purchase cell phone pouches for use in New Haven Public Schools. (Order Passed).
- d. Order of the New Haven Board of Alders of the City of New Haven authorizing the execution of an agreement with NAPA TRACS for software subscription to track City of New Haven Department of Public Works vehicle parts & supplies for the period of July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025. (Order Passed).
- e. Order to Read and File the Updated Budgetary and Financial Reports for July 2024, in compliance with Article VIII section 5 of the Charter. (Order to Read and File Passed).
- f. Order to Read and File the Updated Budgetary and Financial Reports for August 2024, in compliance with Article VIII section 5 of the Charter. (Order to Read and File Passed).
- g. Order to Read and File the Updated Budgetary and Financial Reports for September 2024, in compliance with Article VIII section 5 of the Charter. (Order to Read and File Passed).
- h. Order to Read and File the Updated Budgetary and Financial Reports for October 2024, in compliance with Article VIII section 5 of the Charter. (Order to Read and File Passed).

16. Health & Human Services. Read and File.

Order to read and file the communication titled "From Alders Sabin and Furlow submitting a request for a public hearing regarding asthma and related public health challenges in New Haven to discuss and develop potential solutions." (Order to Read and File Passed).

17. Legislation. Favorable.

Ordinance Amendment of the New Haven Board of Alders regarding the transfer of boards and commissions required by Article VII, Section 4 of the Charter from the Charter to the Code of Ordinances, including modification of the scope and composition of the Board of Parks Commissioners and updating Title III, Section 19 of the Code of Ordinances. (Enacted by Roll Call Vote of 26-0. Voting Aye (26)-Alders: Douglass, Hubbard, E.Rodriguez, Singh, C. Rodriguez, Sabin, Cupo, C.Smith, Festa, Murphy, Morant, Ferraro-Santana, Miller, Redente, Punzo, DeCola, Edwards, Mabery-NiBlack, Streater, Morrison, Walker-Myers, Marchand, Marx, Furlow, Hogan, Smith). Voting No- (0)

Absent (4) -Alders: Flores, Crespo Hamilton, Wingate.

18. Legislation. Leave to Withdraw.

Order of the New Haven Board of Alders granting leave to withdraw to the communication to approve the ordinance amendment “amending Title III of the New Haven Code of Ordinances, Chapter 29, Division One, Section 29-35 (I) – parking prohibited in certain places to change from 72 hours to 24 hours concerning abandoned vehicles, vehicles with no license plates, unregistered or inoperable vehicles, and transferring the powers, duties, authority from the New Haven Police Department to the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Department. (Order Granting Leave to Withdraw Passed).

SUSPENSION OF SECTION 24-1-A

UNANIMOUS CONSENT

19. From President Walker-Myers submitting on behalf of the New Haven Board of Alders a Resolution of the New Haven Board of Alders expressing condolences on the passing of the 39th President of the United States and the Honorable James Earl “Jimmy” Carter and expressing gratitude for his positive contributions to our nation and the world. (Presented Under Suspension of Section 24-1-A of the Rules of the Board of Alders, Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Resolution Adopted).

20. Order concerning real property taxes of James M. Banks on motor vehicle tax accounts 81030 and 53530. (Presented Under Suspension of Section 24-1-A of the Rules of the Board of Alders, Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Order Passed).

21. Order concerning real property taxes of Christina A. Johnson on motor vehicle tax accounts 76780 and 76789. (Presented Under Suspension of Section 24-1-A of the Rules of the Board of Alders, Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Order Passed).

22. Order concerning real property taxes of Mrinalini Modak on motor vehicle tax accounts 83886 and 85484. (Presented Under Suspension of Section 24-1-A of the Rules of the Board of Alders, Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Order Passed).

23. Order concerning real property taxes of Nyair P. Simpkins-Jones on motor vehicle tax accounts 97540, 94187, and 97542. (Presented Under Suspension of Section 24-1-A of the Rules of the Board of Alders, Unanimous Consent for Immediate Action Granted. Order Passed).

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Divine Guidance: (Alder Festa)

Approval of the Journal of December 16, 2024, Board of Alders Meeting. (Approved).

*** ELECTIONS**

- [LM-2025-0010](#) RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS ELECTING ALDER JEANETTE MORRISON AS THE BOARD OF ALDERS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMISSION.
- [LM-2025-0011](#) RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS ELECTING ALDER FERRARO-SANTANA AS A BOARD OF ALDERS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE
- [LM-2025-0013](#) RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS ELECTING ALDER ADAM MARCHAND AS THE BOARD OF ALDERS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION
- [LM-2025-0014](#) RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS ELECTING ALDER KIANA FLORES AS THE BOARD OF ALDERS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- [LM-2025-0015](#) RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS ELECTING ALDER CAROLYN TANBEE SMITH AS THE BOARD OF ALDERS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
- [LM-2025-0016](#) RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS ELECTING ALDER HONDA SMITH AS A BOARD OF ALDERS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PARKS COMMISSION.

*** UNANIMOUS CONSENT**

- [LM-2025-0006](#) FROM TAX COLLECTOR, ORDER DE TAX REFUNDS (JANUARY 7, 2025)
- [LM-2025-0004](#) ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF GARY ATKINS ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 690247, 838991, AND 855057
- [LM-2024-0761](#) ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF NICOLE BENSON ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 54297, 54298, 54503, 54535, 81216, AND 81217
- [LM-2025-0007](#) RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS CERTIFYING THAT NO

AMENDMENT TO THE YALE UNIVERSITY CENTRAL/SCIENCE OVERALL PARKING PLAN IS REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2024 ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE CENTRAL/SCIENCE OVERALL PARKING PLAN

[LM-2025-0008](#) RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS CERTIFYING THAT NO AMENDMENT TO THE MEDICAL AREA OVERALL PARKING PLAN IS REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2017 ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE MEDICAL AREA OVERALL PARKING PLAN

*** COMMUNICATIONS**

[LM-2024-0757](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DR. ALICE FORRESTER TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

[LM-2024-0758](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ISAIAS MIRANDA TO THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

[LM-2024-0759](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KELCY STEELE TO THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS.

[LM-2024-0760](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JEANETTE SYKES TO THE BOARD OF LIBRARY DIRECTORS.

[LM-2025-0005](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2024 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

[LM-2024-0755](#) ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE U.S. SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE TO FUND A SYSTEM OF CARE FOR YOUTH EXPERIENCING SERIOUS EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCES AND AT RISK FOR DEVELOPING PSYCHOSIS AND TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS AND CONTRACTS AS NECESSARY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PRIME PSYCHOSIS RISK CLINIC AT YALE UNIVERSITY.

[LM-2025-0009](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE FOLLOWING REPORT FROM THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION MEETING ON DECEMBER 18, 2024: REPORT: 1660-04 RE: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS TO PROMOTE A SUSTAINABLE AND HEALTHY NEW HAVEN WHILE RESPONDING TO THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY. SUBMITTED BY NEW HAVEN CLIMATE MOVEMENT.

*** SECOND READINGS****City Services and Environmental Policy. Favorable.**

[LM-2024-0575](#) ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS DESIGNATING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF DAVENPORT AVENUE AND WARD STREET AS "REVEREND BONITA D. GRUBBS" IN PERPETUITY, FOR HER COMMITMENT, GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS, AND SERVICE TO PEOPLE IN NEW HAVEN AND BEYOND.

[LM-2024-0599](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT THE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT OF 2021 ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FORMULA GRANT FROM US DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF AN ELECTRIC REFUSE VEHICLE.

[LM-2024-0683](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A THROTLING VALVE EASEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AND SOUTH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY.

[LM-2024-0637](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS TO READ AND FILE THE COMMUNICATION TO "APPROVE THE DESIGNATION OF A RESIDENTIAL PARKING ZONE ON PORTER STREET FROM LEGION AVENUE TO THE END OF PORTER STREET."

Finance. Favorable.

[LM-2024-0638](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023.

[LM-2024-0639](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE FEDERAL AND STATE COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023.

[LM-2024-0635](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WORTH \$370,936.81 WITH YONDR INC, FOR THE PURCHASE OF CELL PHONE POUCHES FOR USE IN NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

[LM-2024-0538](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2024 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

[LM-2024-0615](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2024 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

[LM-2024-0709](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2024 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

[LM-2024-0714](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2024 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

Health & Human Services. Read and File.

[LM-2024-0703](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE COMMUNICATION “FROM ALDERS SABIN AND FURLOW SUBMITTING A REQUEST FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ASTHMA AND RELATED PUBLIC HEALTH CHALLENGES IN NEW HAVEN TO DISCUSS AND DEVELOP POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS”.

Legislation. Favorable.

[OR-2025-0002](#)

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE VII, SECTION 4 OF THE CHARTER FROM THE CHARTER TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, INCLUDING MODIFICATION OF THE SCOPE AND COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF PARKS COMMISSIONERS AND UPDATING TITLE III, SECTION 19 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES.

Legislation. Leave to Withdraw.

[LM-2024-0535](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS GRANTING LEAVE TO WITHDRAW TO THE COMMUNICATION TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT “AMENDING TITLE III OF THE NEW HAVEN CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 29, DIVISION ONE, SECTION 29-35 (I) - PARKING PROHIBITED IN CERTAIN PLACES TO CHANGE FROM 72 HOURS TO 24 HOURS CONCERNING ABANDONED VEHICLES, VEHICLES WITH NO LICENSE PLATES, UNREGISTERED OR INOPERABLE VEHICLES, AND TRANSFERRING THE POWERS, DUTIES, AUTHORITY FROM THE NEW HAVEN POLICE DEPARTMENT TO THE TRANSPORTATION, TRAFFIC AND PARKING DEPARTMENT.”

*** SUSPENSION OF SECTION 24-1-A**

*** UNANIMOUS CONSENT**

[LM-2025-0020](#) ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF JAMES M. BANKS ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 81030 AND 53530

[LM-2025-0018](#) ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF CHRISTINA A. JOHNSON ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 76780 AND 76789

[LM-2025-0021](#) ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF MRINALINI MODAK ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 83886 AND 85484.

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