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Meeting Minutes Finance Committee

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

6:00 PM

Aldermanic Chambers

Meeting can be viewed on Board of Alders YouTube.

Board of Alders Notice

The Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, 6:00 P.M, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 165 Church St., New Haven to hear the following:

1. [LM-2024-0633](#) ORDER APPROVING A SUCCESSOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AND NEW HAVEN POLICE UNION ELM CITY LOCAL, CACP, DATED JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2028.

Attachments: [0 - Checklist - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028](#)
[1 - Signed Cover Letter - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028](#)
[2 - Order - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028](#)
[3 - PNF - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028](#)
[4 - FIS - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028](#)
[5a - Wage Scale - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028](#)
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[5b - Summary of Contract Settlement FY 2022 to 2028 - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028](#)
[5c - New Haven Police Elm City Matrix Jan 2025, July 2025 - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028updated](#)
[5d - Signed Tentative Agreement - OLR Police Contract 2022-2028](#)

This Order was Favorable Reportto the Board of Alders

2. [OR-2024-0032](#) ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE # 1 AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFER #20-25-1 IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$2,300,000) FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S GENERAL FUND SALARY LINE (13011010-50110) TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE LINE (13011010-56699) TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT WITH WORLDWIDE TRAVELING STAFF, INC. BY TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$2,300,000) TO COVER THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS FOR THE PROVISION OF TEMPORARY NURSING SERVICES IN NEW HAVEN SCHOOLS OR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025.

- Attachments:** [0 - Checklist - NHDD Nurse Transfers](#)
[1 - Cover Letter - NHDD Nurse Transfers](#)
[2 - Ordinance Amendment - NHDD Nurse Transfers](#)
[3 - PNF - NHDD Nurse Transfers](#)
[4 - FIS - NHDD Nurse Transfers](#)
[5 - Transfer form Nurses 10-08-24](#)

This Ordinance was Favorable Reportto the Board of Alders

3. [OR-2024-0031](#) ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE NUMBER #2 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24; PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VII OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS 2-388 TO 2-397, THE CITY SEEKS APPROVAL TO ASSIGN \$3 MILLION FROM THE GENERAL FUND BALANCE FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

- Attachments:** [0 - Checklist - OMB Gen Fund Ed Assignment](#)
[1 - Cover Letter - OMB Gen Fund Ed Assignment](#)
[2 - Ordinance Amend - OMB Gen Fund Ed Assignment](#)
[3 - PNF - OMB Gen Fund Ed Assignment](#)
[4 - FIS - OMB Gen Fund Ed Assignment](#)
[5 - assign fund balance form 09-26-24 - OMB Gen Fund Ed Assignment](#)

This Ordinance was Favorable Reportto the Board of Alders

4. [LM-2024-0610](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS, REALLOCATING FIVE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND ZERO CENTS (\$5,500,000) FROM PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROJECTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPLIMENTING FUNDING FOR ELIGIBLE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROJECTS AND GENERAL FUND FISCAL YEAR 2024- 2025 BUDGET LINE ITEMS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS

- Attachments:** [0 - signed Checklist - OMB ARPA Revenue Replacement reallocation to BOE](#)
[1 - Cover Letter - OMB ARPA Revenue Replacement reallocation to BOE](#)
[2 - Order - OMB ARPA Revenue Replacement reallocation to BOE](#)
[3 - PNF - OMB ARPA Revenue Replacement reallocation to BOE](#)
[4 - FIS - OMB ARPA Revenue Replacement reallocation to BOE](#)
[5 - Supporting Document - OMB ARPA Revenue Replacement reallocation to BOE](#)

This Order was Favorable Reportto the Board of Alders

5. [OR-2024-0030](#) ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE NUMBER #1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24; PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VIII

OF THE CITY CHARTER AND SECTION 2-385 TO SECTION 2-389 OF THE CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES TRANSFER NUMBER 24-999 IS SEEKING APPROVAL TO ELIMINATE NEGATIVE LINE-ITEM BALANCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 6-30-24.

Attachments: [0 - Checklist - OMB Fiscal Year End Closing Transfer](#)
[1 - Cover Letter - OMB Fiscal Year End Closing Transfer](#)
[2 - Ordinance - OMB Fiscal Year End Closing Transfer](#)
[3 - PNF - OMB Fiscal Year End Closing Transfer](#)
[4 - FIS - OMB Fiscal Year End Closing Transfer](#)
[5 - Transfer form 09-26-24 - OMB Fiscal Year End Closing Transfer](#)

This Ordinance was Favorable Reportto the Board of Alders

6. [LM-2024-0510](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2024 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

Attachments: [June 2024 Monthly Report](#)

This Order was Favorable Reportto the Board of Alders

These items are on file and available for public inspection in the Office of Legislative Services. 165 Church Street, Per order: Hon. Adam Marchand, Chair. Attest: Michael Smart, City Clerk.

If you need a disability related accommodation, please call three business days in advance 203 946 7651 (voice) or 203 946 8582 (TTY).

Public comment/testimony may also be submitted via email to publictestimony@newhavenct.gov before 2:00 pm on the day of the meeting.

Meeting can be viewed on Board of Alders YouTube Page

Meeting Minutes

Alder Marchand, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m., October 29, 2024, in the Aldermanic Chamber, 165 Church Street, New Haven. Present were Aids. Marchand, DeCola, Ferraro-Santana, Morrison, Walker-Myers, Hamilton, Festa, Furlow, H. Smith, and Punzo. Also in attendance was Alder Wingate.

1. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AND NEW HAVEN POLICE UNION ELM CITY LOCAL, CACP, DATED JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2028.

Wendella Alt-Batty, Director of Labor Relations, Chief Jacobson, Police Chief, Floyd Dugas, Labor Lawyer, Shannon McCue, Budget Director, and Florencio Cotto, Police Union President, came before the committee. Ms. Alt-Batty spoke to the committee concerning the contract, followed by Mr. Dugas, Ms. McCue, and Chief Jacobson.

Alder Hamilton asked if the number of officers budgeted was 389 positions. Ms. McCue

said that was correct.

Alder Hamilton asked what this agreement do for the retention of police officers. Chief Jacobson spoke about this.

Alder Furlow asked if the 61 vacancies were included in the budgeted salary number. Chief Jacobson spoke on this.

Alder Festa asked if they would explain the new 5-2-5-3 schedule for the police officers. Chief Jacobson explained.

No further questions were asked.

Alder Marchand asked three times if anyone from the public wished to testify. No one came forward.

2. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE # 1 AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFER #20 25 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$2,300,000) FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S GENERAL FUND SALARY LINE (13011010 50110) TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE LINE (13011010 56699) TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT WITH WORLDWIDE TRAVELING STAFF, INC. BY TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$2,300,000) TO COVER THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS FOR THE PROVISION OF TEMPORARY NURSING SERVICES IN NEW HAVEN SCHOOLS OR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025.

Shannon McCue, Budget Director, and Ron Gizzi, Project Coordinator, came before the committee. Ms. McCue spoke to the committee concerning this request, followed by Mr. Gizzi.

Alder Smith asked where the funds to be transferred were coming from. Ms. McCue spoke on this.

Alder Furlow asked what the salaries of the nurses were. Ms. McCue said she didn't know but would get this information back to the committee.

Alder Festa asked what the nurses did during the summer months when the schools were closed. Ms. McCue said she didn't know but would get this information back to the committee.

No further questions were asked.

Alder Marchand asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to testify on this item. The following came forward.

Cynthia Harris-Jackson, of 199 High Top Circle, Hamden, who spoke about the school nurses.

Alder Marchand asked three times if anyone from the public wished to testify. No one else came forward.

Alder Marchand told the committee that they would next hear items 5 and 6 together.

5. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE NUMBER #1 FOR

FISCAL YEAR 2023 24; PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VIII OF THE CITY CHARTER AND SECTION 2 385 TO SECTION 2 389 OF THE CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES TRANSFER NUMBER 24 999 IS SEEKING APPROVAL TO ELIMINATE NEGATIVE LINE ITEM BALANCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 6 30 24.

6. ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2024 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

Shannon McCue, Budget Director, and Ron Gizzi, Project Coordinator, came before the committee. Ms. McCue spoke to the committee about these items, followed by Mr. Gizzi.

Alder Festa asked if they were going to change the Tax Anticipation Notes from variable interest rates to fixed rates. Ms. McCue explained.

No further questions were asked.

Alder Marchand asked three times if anyone from the public wished to testify. No one came forward.

Alder Marchand told the committee that they would next hear items 3 and 4 together.

3. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE NUMBER #2 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 24; PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VII OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS 2 388 TO 2 397, THE CITY SEEKS APPROVAL TO ASSIGN \$3 MILLION FROM THE GENERAL FUND BALANCE FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

4. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS, REALLOCATING FIVE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND ZERO CENTS (\$5,500,000) FROM PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROJECTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPLEMENTING FUNDING FOR ELIGIBLE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROJECTS AND GENERAL FUND FISCAL YEAR 2024 2025 BUDGET LINE ITEMS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS.

Shannon McCue, Budget Director, Ron Gizzi, Project Coordinator, Dr. Madiline Negron, Superintendent of Schools, Linda Hannans, NHPS CFO, and Christine Bourne, NHPS Business Director, came before the committee. Ms. McCue spoke about the requests, followed by Dr. Negron and Ms. Hannans.

Alder Walker-Myers asked what the plans for the 5.5 million dollars were going to be. Dr. Negron spoke about what they planned to do with these funds. Ms. McCue also spoke about this.

Alder Smith asked what they were going to do with the 3 million dollars. Ms. Hannans spoke on this.

Alder Smith asked if the 5.5 million dollars would pay for HVAC repairs/replacement at closed school buildings. Dr. Negron said they would not and explained.

Alder Ferraro-Santana asked what happened to the capital funds that had been approved in the budget for HVAC upgrades. Dr. Negron spoke on this.

Alder Ferraro-Santana asked for a list of HVAC projects that had been paid for through the capital funds. Dr. Negron said she would get this information back to the committee.

Alder Ferraro-Santana asked for a list of what the 5.5 million dollars will pay for. Dr. Negron said she would get this information back to the committee.

Alder Furlow asked how these funds would be transferred. Ms. McCue explained the transfer process.

No further questions were asked.

Alder Marchand asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to testify on this item. The following came forward.

1. Melody Gallagher, of 32 Barnett Street, Apt D21
2. Hyclis Williams, of 84 Stanley Street
3. Waleed Ahmad, of 448 Fountain Street
4. Bryanna Wingate, of 1500 Ella T. Grasso Boulevard
5. Steve Staysnak, of 61 Elmwood Road
6. Leslie Blatteau, of 410 Greenwich Avenue

Alder Marchand asked three times if anyone from the public wished to testify. No one else came forward.

At 8:52 PM, on a motion by DeCola, seconded by Festa, to close the public portion of the meeting. The committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

At 8:52 PM, Alder Marchand told the committee they would take a short recess before deliberations.

At 9:00 PM, Alder Marchand called the meeting back to order.

Committee Action:

1. Alder DeCola, seconded by Festa, to move item 1. The following committee members spoke about item 1. They were Alders Ferrera-Santana, Walker-Myers, Hamilton, Furlow, and Festa. The committee voted by voice vote to approve police union contract.
2. Alder DeCola, seconded by Festa to move item 2. The following committee members spoke about item 1. They were Alders Furlow and Hamilton. The committee voted, by voice vote, to approve the transfer for Worldwide Traveling Staff.
3. Alder DeCola, seconded by Festa, to move item 5 favorably. The committee voted by voice vote to approve the Year end closeout.
4. Alder DeCola, seconded by Festa, to move item 6 for Read & File. The committee voted by voice vote to Read and File the June Financial Report.
5. Alder DeCola, seconded by Festa, to move item 3 favorably. The committee had a discussion concerning this item. The following Alders spoke, Alder Ferraro-Santana, Walker-Myers, Morrison, Furlow, Punzo, Smith, Hamilton, Festa, and Marchand. The committee voted by voice vote, there were 8 Aye votes, Alders Marchand, DeCola, Morrison, Walker-Myers, Festa, Furlow, and Punzo. There were 2 Nay votes, Alder Ferraro-Santana and Smith. The vote was 8 Aye and 2 Nay, the 3 million dollars transfer passed.
6. Alder DeCola, seconded by Festa, to move item 4 favorably. The committee had a discussion concerning this item. The following Alders spoke, Alder Ferraro-Santana,

Ferrara -Santana, Furlow, Morrison, Walker-Myers, Punzo, and Festa. The committee voted by voice vote, there were 9 Aye votes, Alders Marchand, DeCola, Morrison, Walker-Myers, Festa, Furlow, Smith, and Punzo. There was 1 Nay vote, Alder Festa. The vote was 9 Aye and 1 Nay, the 5.5 million dollars transfer passed.

At 9:55 PM, on a motion by DeCola seconded by Festa, the Committee voted to close the meeting.

The meeting was recorded. The recording is filed and may be inspected at Legislative Services.

*The meeting was also recorded on Zoom and may be found at
<https://newhavenct.zoom.us/rec/share/JsZGECkG9CyDBAeR4yNPuSI7eA2F-k17aMtlawGexeLnaGpu51ha8UlwK89vJsBy.owb9l86OuZqBHqEo>
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Respectfully submitted,

*Donald A. Hayden
Fiscal Analyst*