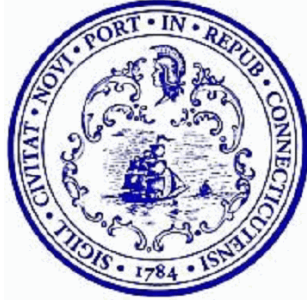


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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 4, 2025

6:00 PM

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Aldermanic Chamber

City Services and Environmental Policy

Revised (Board of Alders Notice New Haven) The City Services and Environmental Policy Committee of the Board of Alders will meet “in-person” on Thursday, December 4, 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-2023-0232](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS DESIGNATING THE CORNER OF EDWARD B. GRANT WAY TO CHARLES “CHARLIE” ARCANGELO CORNER IN PERPETUITY, FOR HIS SUPPORT, CONTRIBUTIONS, AND SERVICE TO THE NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY.
- 2) [LM-2025-0570](#) RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AUTHORIZING THE NEW HAVEN PARKS DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT’S HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE TO STUDY ADAPTIVE REUSE AND ENERGY RETROFITS FOR FACILITIES AT EDGERTON PARK.
- 3) [LM-2025-0561](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENERGY PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE TO SOLICIT, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, ELECTRICAL, NATURAL GAS RATES, TELEPHONE, GENERAL UTILITIES AND OTHER ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES AND REVENUE GENERATION THAT WILL BENEFIT THE CITY GLOBALLY OUT TO DECEMBER 2031.
- 4) [LM-2025-0615](#) RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ON EAST STREET.

and for committee action only:

- 5) [LM-2021-0227](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING A PETITION FOR RESIDENTIAL PARKING TO HAVE PERMIT PARKING ONLY ON ATWATER STREET, BETWEEN PINE AND ATWATER AND ATWATER AND GRAFTON STREET.

Per Order: Hon. Anna M. Festa, Chair

Attest: Hon. Michael Smart, City/Town Clerk

These items are on file and available in the Office of Legislative Services, City Hall, 165 Church Street, 2nd Floor, New Haven, Connecticut 06510.

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

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Minutes

Thursday, December 4, 2025 6:00 p.m. Aldermanic Chamber

Alder Anna M. Festa, Chair, called the public hearing to order at 6:15 p.m. Present were Alders Anna M. Festa, Chair, Kampton Singh, Vice-chair, Amy Marx, Kiana Flores, Caroline Tanbee Smith, and Gary Hogan.

1. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS DESIGNATING THE CORNER OF EDWARD B. GRANT WAY TO CHARLES "CHARLIE" ARCANGELO CORNER IN PERPETUITY, FOR HIS SUPPORT, CONTRIBUTIONS, AND SERVICE TO THE NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

COMMITTEE ACTION

No committee action.

2. RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AUTHORIZING THE NEW HAVEN PARKS DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT'S HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE TO STUDY ADAPTIVE REUSE AND ENERGY RETROFITS FOR FACILITIES AT EDGERTON PARK.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Presenters: Maxwell Webster, Parks Director, presented this item.

In response to Alder Festa, Director Webster reviewed how the grant funding would be used to update the heating system used at Edgerton Park, and if funds allow, the windows and framing and other items that relate to improving energy efficiency. Confirmed that this work will not affect the historical nature of the facilities here.

In response to Alder Hogan, Director Webster confirmed this stage is for survey and planning, the next stage will be for design, and the third stage will be implementation.

In response to Alder Tanbee Smith, Director Webster reviewed the buildings that the Parks Department is responsible to maintain.

In response to Alder Festa, Director Webster discussed the work that needs to be completed regarding the greenhouse and maintaining its system.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Kampton Singh moved item # 2, seconded by Alder Amy Marx. 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 AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENERGY PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE TO SOLICIT, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, ELECTRICAL, NATURAL GAS RATES, TELEPHONE, GENERAL UTILITIES AND OTHER ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES AND REVENUE GENERATION THAT WILL BENEFIT THE CITY GLOBALLY OUT TO DECEMBER 2031.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Presenters: Rebecca Bombero, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; and
Giovanni Zinn, PE, City Engineer

In response to Alder Festa, Mr. Zinn reviewed how hedging the rates, specifically the electric rates have helped the city save significant money on energy over the years.

In response to Alder Hogan, Deputy Chief Bombero and Mr. Zinn discussed how they have moved to an annual contract for energy. Mr. Zinn confirmed this is used for almost all the utility bills the city pays including for the city and Board of Education.

In response to Alder Marx, Mr. Zinn confirmed the city uses electricity for street signs, HVAC systems (even if they run on gas), computer systems, etc. viewed how the city's Energy Procurement Committee consists of an aldermanic representative, Alder DeCola, Board of Education representative, and himself as City Engineer, among others.

In response to Alder Tanbee Smith, Mr. Zinn reviewed how in the past Veolia has provided them reports, and the city's contract with them is approximately \$70,000. Mr. Zinn discussed how they use other factors to evaluate Veolia's service to the city including their responsiveness and delivery.

Deputy Chief Bombero reviewed how the city, through using Veolia, has beaten CCM rates several times over the years.

Deputy Chief Bombero confirmed they would follow up with the amount spent on the contract with Veolia and the amount spent on electricity for the city.

Kevin McCarthy, PhD, 171 Bradley Street, spoke in support of this item and recommended the city check working with Connecticut Green Bank regarding the Rent-a-Roof program, which would allow the city to generate revenue by installing solar panels on its commercial property and receive payments on the energy generated.

Mr. Zinn discussed how it is better for the city to use systems that allow the city to use the solar

energy generated, instead of selling it, to offset the energy needed for the building they are installed on, as typically excess energy is not generated.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Kampton Singh moved item # 3, seconded by Alder Gary Hogan. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

4. RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ON EAST STREET.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Presenters: Giovanni Zinn, PE, City Engineer

Mr. Zinn reviewed this funding from the Connecticut Department of Transportation would be used install a concrete barrier protected cycletrack on the west side of East Street and a short portion of State Street to help connect the Mill River Greenway.

In response to Alder Festa, Mr. Zinn reviewed the effects on parking. Confirmed residential parking would not be affected, but it would be affected some on State Street and East Street.

In response to Alder Marx, Mr. Zinn reviewed the various barriers and delineators used throughout the city. Discussed how they have looked at different options, and they feel this is an opportunity to try these smaller types of concrete barriers that have taken off in Canada. One of the huge benefits of using these over curbs is that water passes around and under them, so the city saves a lot of money since drainage ditches do not need to be moved.

In response to Alder Festa, Mr. Zinn reviewed the process for choosing these barriers and how they are handling driveways that open onto East Street. Discussed how a small 350 plow truck will be able to access the bike lane to plow. When snow accumulates, the priority is to make sure the streets are plowed. Then they move to sidewalks and bike lanes.

In response to Alder Tanbee Smith, Mr. Zinn discussed how this has been planned for quite some time and part of the Safe Routes for All. They just recently received funding. Expect to implementation will take place over the next 12 – 18 months.

Dr. Kevin McCarthy, PhD, 171 Bradley Street, spoke in support of this item. Discussed how a consideration for the city moving forward will include the use of e-bikes in the bike lanes, as well as other accessible modes of transportation such as motorized wheelchairs. Currently, there is no mechanism for TT&P to fine people for parking in bike lanes.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Kampton Singh moved item # 4, seconded by Alder Gary Hogan. All the Alders spoke in favor of the item. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed.

and for committee action only:

5. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS APPROVING A PETITION FOR RESIDENTIAL PARKING TO HAVE PERMIT PARKING ONLY ON ATWATER STREET, BETWEEN PINE AND ATWATER AND ATWATER AND GRAFTON STREET.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Alder Kampton Singh moved item # 5, seconded by Alder Gary Hogan. Alder Kampton Singh moved to amend item # 5 by substitution, seconded by Alder Amy Marx. All the alders spoke in favor of the amendment, and motion to amend was unanimously approved. All the alders spoke in favor of the item, as amended. The motion was unanimously approved, and the item passed, as amended.

Alder Kampton Singh moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Alder Gary Hogan. The motion was unanimously approved at 7:19 p.m.

Alder Kampton Hogan moved to adjourn, seconded by Alder Amy Marx. The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjourned: 7:38 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