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Meeting Minutes Tax Abatement Committee

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

6:00 PM

Aldermanic Chambers

Meeting can be viewed on Board of Alders YouTube.

Aldermanic Notice

The Tax Abatement Committee will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at 6:00 P.M, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 165 Church St., New Haven to hear the following:

1. [LM-2025-0157](#) ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF MICHAEL STALLINGS ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 94549, 94550, 98820, 98821, and 98822.

Attachments: [Michael Stallings Information](#)
[Michael E. Staalings 2nd Petition to BOA](#)
[Signature](#)

This Order was Favorable Reportto the Board of Alders

2. [LM-2025-0209](#) ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF RAUF SAMER ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 97512, 97513, 97500, AND 97501.

Attachments: [Rauf Samer Information](#)
[Rauf Samer Tax Petition](#)
[Signature](#)

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These items are on file and available for public inspection in the Office of Legislative Services. 165 Church Street, Per order: Hon. Jose Crespo, 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.

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Meeting Minutes

Alder Crespo, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m., April 22, 2025, in the

Aldermanic Chamber, 165 Church Street, New Haven. Present were Aids. Crespo, Douglass, Wingate, Miller, and Streeter.

Alder Crespo told the committee that they did not have a quorum so the meeting would be a workshop.

1. ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF MICHAEL STALLINGS ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 94549, 94550, 98820, 98821, AND 98822

Mr. Stallings came before the committee and explained his request. Donald Hayden, Committee Staff, told the committee that Mr. Stallings Honda Accord had been sold in 2022 and that it was registered to another owner who lives in New Haven.

The committee had a discussion with Mr. Stallings, concerning the other vehicles that he had owned and when they had been sold.

No further questions were asked by the committee.

Alder Crespo asked three times if there was anyone from the public who wished to testify on this item. No one came forward.

2. ORDER CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY TAXES OF RAUF SAMER ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX ACCOUNTS 97512, 97513, 97500, AND 97501.

Mr. Samer came before the committee and explained his request.

Alder Douglass asked Mr. Samer if his wife worked. Mr. Samer said she did not.

The committee had a discussion with Mr. Samer as to his financial status and how he would be able to pay his taxes.

No further questions were asked by the committee.

Alder Crespo asked three times if there was anyone from the public who wished to testify on this item. No one came forward.

At 6:39 PM, on a motion by Wingate, seconded by Douglass, to close the public portion of the meeting. The committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Committee Action:

- 1. Alder Crespo told the committee that the two items would be discharged from committee and sent to the full Board of Alders for action. They would discuss these items to determine what would be recommended to the Board of Alders.*
- 2. Alder Wingate, seconded by Douglass, moved item 1 for discussion. The committee discussed forgiving the interest on all of the cars and reduce the taxes on account number 98820 to \$118.98. The committee voted, by voice vote, to approve this recommendation, with Alder Miller abstaining.*
- 3. Alder Wingate, seconded by Douglass to move item 2 for discussion. The committee discussed forgiving the interest on all of the cars and reduce the taxes to \$1,000 and give Mr. Samer 90 days to pay before the interest would be added back.. The committee voted, by voice vote, to approve this recommendation*

At 6:45 PM, on a motion by Wingate, seconded by Douglass, 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 line and can be seen at:
https://newhavenct.zoom.us/rec/share/-c4ADPSjJF_A-bKFZuGg7I1_N7XN97IL1tVPz87ktxfY1xgrwR4tFGxvkgmd69UI.E22AzKyxddNiieiR*

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Respectfully submitted,

Donald A. Hayden, Fiscal Analyst