



City of New Haven

Meeting Minutes Finance Committee

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Monday, June 12, 2023

6:00 PM

Aldermanic Chambers

Meeting can be viewed on Board of Alders YouTube Page.

Aldermanic Notice New Haven

The Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 12, 2023, 6:00 P.M, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 165 Church St., New Haven to hear the following:

1. [LM-2023-0356](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, BUDGET DIRECTOR, OR CONTROLLER TO ENTER INTO A ONE YEAR COMMERCIAL LEASE AGREEMENT AND EXECUTE ANY AMENDMENTS THAT MAY ARISE, WITH GATEWAY PARTNERS, LLC FOR THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICES AND PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC., IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$242,844) AND FOR A PERIOD FROM JULY 01, 2023 TO DECEMBER 31, 2023.

Attachments: [Health Department Boa checklist](#)
[Health Department Cover Memorandum](#)
[Health Department Order](#)
[PRIOR NOTIFICATION FORM Health Dept Lease](#)
[Health Department Fiscal Impact](#)

Discharged at 7/5/23 BOA meeting

This Order was No Action

2. [LM-2023-0355](#) ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR BUDGET DIRECTOR OR CONTROLLER TO ENTER INTO A ONE YEAR CONTRACT WITH RSM US LLP, WITH THREE RENEWABLE OPTION YEARS TO PERFORM AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF THE CITYS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL STATE AND LOCAL LAW FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023 AND A RENEWABLE OPTION FOR EACH OF THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 2024, JUNE 30, 2025 AND JUNE 30, 2026 IN CONJUNCTION AS RECOMEMDED BY THE FINANCIAL REVIEW AND AUDIT COMMISSION TO THE BOARD OF ALDERS PURSUANT TO THE CITY CHARTER.

Attachments: [Auditor Selection BOA Checklist](#)
[FRAC and City Letter](#)
[Auditor Selection Order](#)
[PRIOR NOTIFICATION FORM Auditor Selection](#)
[Auditor Selection Fiscal Impact](#)

Discharged at 7/5/23 BOA meeting

This Order was No Action

3. [LM-2023-0360](#) ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A THREE YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH NEW ENGLAND GOLF CARTS DBA YAMAHA MOTOR FINANCE CORPORATION, INC. FOR 75 USED GOLF CARTS AND RELATED SERVICE.

Attachments: [CHECK LIST FOR ALDERMANIC SUBMISSIONS Golf Carts](#)
[Cover Letter Golf Cars](#)
[Order Golf Cars](#)
[PRIOR NOTIFICATION FORM Golf Carts](#)
[FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT Golf Carts](#)
[Municipal Lease example](#)

Discharged at 7/5/23 BOA meeting

This Order was No Action

4. [LM-2023-0369](#) ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN (MAYOR BUDGET DIRECTOR OR CONTROLLER) AND NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ENTER INTO A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH FIRST STUDENT IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS AND FOURTY CENTS (\$30,730,883.40) FOR REGULAR AND SPECIAL ED IN-TOWN AND OUT-OF-TOWN BUSSING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 - 2024.

Attachments: [CHECK LIST - NHPS Bussing Contract 1 yr Ext](#)
[1 Cover Letter First Student BOA](#)
[First Student Contract Option Year One 6-2-2023](#)
[ORDER - BOE First Student 1 yr Contract Exten \(002\)](#)
[PRIOR NOTIF FORM - First Student 1 yr Contract Ext](#)
[FISCAL IMPACT STMT - First Student 1 Yr Contract Ext](#)
[Coord Signed Checklist LM-2023-0369](#)
[signed packet LM-2023-0369 BOE First Student 1@yr Bus Contracts.ext](#)

Discharged at 7/5/23 BOA meeting

This Order was No Action

5. [LM-2023-0329](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2023 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

Attachments: [March 2023](#)

This Order was Favorable Report to the Board of Alders

6. [LM-2023-0366](#) ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2023 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

Attachments: [April 2023 Financial](#)

This Order was Favorable Report to the Board of Alders

These items are filed with the City Clerk and may be inspected at Room 202, 200 Orange St., New Haven. 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 946 7651 (voice) or 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 Minutes

Alder Marchand, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., June 12, 2023, in the Aldermanic Chamber, 165 Church Street, New Haven. Present were Aids. Marchand, Santiago, Douglass, Morrison, Walker-Myers, Furlow, and Singh.

1. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, BUDGET DIRECTOR, OR CONTROLLER TO ENTER INTO A ONE YEAR COMMERCIAL LEASE AGREEMENT AND EXECUTE ANY AMENDMENTS THAT MAY ARISE, WITH GATEWAY PARTNERS, LLC FOR THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICES AND PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC., IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED FORTY TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$242,844) AND FOR A PERIOD OF JULY 01, 2023 TO DECEMBER 31, 2023.

Michael Gormany, Acting City Controller, and Maritza Bond, Health Director, came before the committee. Mr. Gormany spoke about the request.

Alder Douglass asked who owns the building at 54 Meadow Street. Mr. Gormany explained the ownership of the building.

Alder Singh asked what stage the construction was at the new building. Ms. Bond explained.

Alder Marchand asked what would happen if the construction went beyond the six months requested, would the City get the same rate for the space. Mr. Gormany spoke on this.

No further questions were asked.

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

2. ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR BUDGET DIRECTOR OR CONTROLLER TO ENTER INTO A ONE YEAR CONTRACT WITH RSM US LLP, WITH THREE RENEWABLE OPTION YEARS TO PERFORM AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF THE CITY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL STATE AND LOCAL LAW FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023 AND A RENEWABLE OPTION FOR EACH OF THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 2024, JUNE 30, 2025 AND JUNE 30, 2026 IN CONJUNCTION AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCIAL REVIEW AND AUDIT COMMISSION TO THE BOARD OF ALDERS PURSUANT TO THE CITY CHARTER.

Michael Gormany, Acting City Controller, came before the committee. Mr. Gormany spoke on the request

Alder Santiago asked Mr. Gormany to explain the three-year options. Mr. Gormany did so.

Alder Marchand asked why it was so important to have higher level auditor support. Mr. Gormany explained why.

No further questions were asked.

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

4. ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN (MAYOR BUDGET DIRECTOR OR CONTROLLER) AND NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ENTER INTO A ONE YEAR CONTRACT WITH FIRST STUDENT IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND-EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE DOLLARS AND FOURTY CENTS (\$30,730,883.40) FOR REGULAR AND SPECIAL ED IN TOWN AND OUT OF TOWN BUSSING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 2024.

Thomas Lamb, Chief Operating Officer of the Board of Education, came before the committee. Mr. Lamb spoke on the request.

Alder Morrison asked since the approval from the Board of Alders would be after the end of the current contract was First Student alright with this. Mr. Lamb spoke on this.

Alder Furlow asked why there was an 8.75% increase in the extended contract. Mr. Lamb explained.

Alder Douglass asked how long First Student has been bussing for the City. Mr. Lamb wasn't sure but thought it was about 15 years.

No further questions were asked.

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

3. ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A THREE-YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH NEW ENGLAND GOLF CARTS DBA YAMAHA MOTOR FINANCE CORPORATION, INC, FOR 75 USED GOLF CARTS AND RELATED SERVICE.

Rebecca Bombero, Acting Director of Parks and Public Works came before the committee. Ms. Bombero explained the request.

Alder Marchand asked about the indemnity clause. Ms. Bombero explained this.

No further questions were asked.

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

5. ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2023 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

6. ORDER TO READ AND FILE THE UPDATED BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2023 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER.

Michael Gormany, Acting City Controller came before the committee. Mr. Gormany spoke on the April Monthly Report.

Alder Morrison asked if there was a plan to expedite the hiring for the vacant positions. Mr. Gormany spoke about this.

No further questions were asked.

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

At 7:53 PM, on a motion by Santiago, seconded by Morrison, to close the public portion of the meeting. The committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Alder Marchand told the committee that items 1 through three were going to have No Action, and remain in committee, and be Discharged from Committee so that the full Board could vote on them at the July 5th meeting.

Committee Action:

1. Alder Santiago, seconded by Morrison to move items 5 and 6 for Read and File. The committee voted unanimously to approve the two monthly reports for Read and File

At 7:55 PM, on a motion by Santiago seconded by Morrison, the Committee voted to close the meeting.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Donald A. Hayden, Fiscal Analyst