

DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION

Good Evening Alders.

My name is Roslyn Hamilton, Interim Director of Public Health. My home address is _____.
I am here with:

Dr. Dakibu Muley, CSA

Kimberly Ploszaj, Epidemiologist, State of CT Department of Public Health

Thomas Barger, RWA Manager of Water Quality, Regional Water Authority

- The City of New Haven, Connecticut has been in the forefront of protecting children from exposure to lead hazards for the past forty-five years. In 1974, four years before the national ban on the use of lead-based paint, the City of New Haven banned its use in residential homes by passing the Lead Paint Ordinance.
- Other than a few technical changes, adjusting the definition of “lead poisoning,” the ordinance has not changed very much over time. The last amendment to the Lead Paint Ordinance occurred more than a decade ago included an ambiguous reference to a definition of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that does not exist, resulting in an unfavorable court decision interpreting the City’s ordinance and a recommendation from the court to revise the City’s ordinance.
- As we began the process of amending our City’s Lead Paint Ordinance, we assembled and sought the advice from an ad hoc group of subject matter experts. A draft of a comprehensive revision of the ordinance was shared with key experts and their comments were incorporated in the final submission draft, which is here for your consideration.

Dr. Muley will summarize the substantive changes to the Lead Paint Ordinance.