



# City of New Haven

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## Meeting Minutes Finance Committee

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Monday, May 10, 2021

6:00 PM

Via Teleconference

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### Aldermanic Notice New Haven

The Finance Committee will hold a public hearing, and begin deliberations on Monday, May 10, 2021, at 6:00 P.M, via teleconference, to review portions of the Annual City Budgets proposed for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2021. Meeting can be viewed at <https://bit.ly/2PND233> or by phone at (301) 715-8592 or (312) 626-6799 Meeting Webinar ID: 951 8650 2829. Phone/Voice passcode: 86546050.

1. To hear PUBLIC TESTIMONY concerning the Mayors Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 2021 2022

2. To hold deliberations concerning the City Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 2022 and other budgetary items;

- a. [OR-2021-0012](#) APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE #1 AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR OPERATING CITY OF NEW HAVEN DEPARTMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022

Attachments: [OR-2021-0012](#)

This Ordinance was No Action

- b. [OR-2021-0011](#) TAX LEVY AND REVENUE APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE #2 AN ORDINANCE MAKING TAX LEVY AND REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022

Attachments: [OR-2021-0011](#)

This Ordinance was No Action

- c. [OR-2021-0010](#) APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE #3 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, FISCAL YEAR 2022

Attachments: [OR-2021-0010](#)

This Ordinance was No Action

- d. [OR-2021-0007](#) APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE #4 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES AND/OR GENERAL OBLIGATION GRANT ANTICIPATION NOTES FISCAL YEAR 2022

Attachments: [OR-2021-0007](#)

This Ordinance was No Action

- e. [OR-2021-0006](#) ORDINANCE AMENDMENT SECTION 17-201 OF THE GENERAL CODE OF ORDINANCES AUTHORIZING ADDITIONS AND CHANGES IN PERMITS, LICENSES AND USER FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022.

Attachments: [OR-2021-0006](#)

This Ordinance was No Action

- f. [LM-2021-0158](#) EAST ROCK PARK COMMUNICATIONS TOWER ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET

Attachments: [LM-2021-0158](#)

This Order was No Action

- g. [LM-2021-0159](#) LIGHTHOUSE PARK CAROUSEL ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET

Attachments: [LM-2021-0159](#)

This Order was No Action

- h. [LM-2021-0164](#) ALLING MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET

Attachments: [LM-2021-0164](#)

This Order was No Action

- i. [LM-2021-0165](#) RALPH WALKER SKATING RINK ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET

Attachments: [LM-2021-0165](#)

This Order was No Action

- j. [LM-2021-0125](#) ORDER IMPOSING A LEVY AS MUNICIPAL TAX LEVY IN THE TOWN GREEN SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT, FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022.

Attachments: [LM-2021-0125](#)

This Order was No Action

- k. [LM-2021-0126](#) ORDER IMPOSING A LEVY AS MUNICIPAL TAX LEVY IN THE WHALLEY AVENUE SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT, FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022.

Attachments: [LM-2021-0126](#)

This Order was No Action

- I. [LM-2021-0117](#) ORDER IMPOSING A LEVY AS MUNICIPAL TAX LEVY IN THE GRAND AVENUE SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT, FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022.

**Attachments:** [LM-2021-0117](#)

**This Order was No Action**

- m. [LM-2021-0118](#) ORDER IMPOSING A LEVY AS MUNICIPAL TAX LEVY IN THE CHAPEL WEST SPECIAL SERVICES DISTRICT, FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022.

**Attachments:** [LM-2021-0118](#)

**This Order was No Action**

3. [LM-2021-0169](#) ORDER APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM COMPENSATION FOR THE LEGAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE LAW FIRM OF BERCHEM, MOSES & DEVLIN, P.C. FROM \$99,000 TO \$218,000 FROM GF 2020-2021 LINE ITEM 11331010-56696.

**Attachments:** [Berchem BOA cover sheet 4 13 2021](#)  
[Berchem BOA Fiscal Impact 4 13 2021](#)  
[Berchem BOA Prior Authorization 4 13 2021](#)  
[Berchem BOA Cover Letter 4 13 2021](#)  
[Berchem BOA Draft Amendment 4 13 2021](#)  
[Berchem BOA Order 4 13 2021](#)

**This Order was Favorable Report to the Board of Alders**

4. [LM-2021-0123](#) RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT FOR LEADERSHIP, EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS IN PARTNERSHIP, INC. (LEAP) 1) TO PROVIDE OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT FOR THE DIXWELL COMMUNITY CENTER (Q-HOUSE). THIS AMOUNT IS NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00; 2) TO MANAGE CITY OF NEW HAVEN SOURCED PROGRAMMATIC DOLLARS FOR THE DIXWELL COMMUNITY CENTER (Q HOUSE). LEAP WILL PROVIDE PROGRAMMING AND SPACE MANAGEMENT FOR THE MULTI-GENERATIONAL FACILITY IN THE DIXWELL/NEWHALLVILLE COMMUNITY.

**Attachments:** [Q House cover letter](#)  
[Q House Check List](#)  
[Q House Notice of Intent](#)  
[Q-House Fiscal Impact Statement](#)  
[Q-House Prior Notification Form](#)  
[Q House BOA Resolution](#)  
[Leap Multi-year signed submission](#)

**This Resolution 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. Evette Hamilton, Chair. Attest: Michael Smart, City Clerk.

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**Public may join the meeting and may send public comment to [publictestimony@newhavenct.gov](mailto:publictestimony@newhavenct.gov). Meeting can be viewed, via teleconference, at <https://bit.ly/2PND233> or by phone at (301) 715-8592 or (312) 626-6799 Meeting Webinar ID: 951 8650 2829. Phone/Voice passcode: 86546050**

## Meeting Minutes

*Alder Hamilton, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m., May10, 2021 via webinar. Present were Alds. Hamilton, Marchand, DeCola, Festa, Walker-Myers, Hurt, and Decker. Also present was Alds. Roth, Douglass, Ferraro, Edwards, Antunes, C. Rodriguez, Sabin, Winters, Ortiz, Smith, and Singh.*

**1. TO HEAR PUBLIC TESTIMONY CONCERNING THE MAYOR'S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022.**

*The following people spoke to the committee.*

*Trestman of 904 ½ State Street. Spoke on traffic safety and Safe Streets.  
Flores of 238 Barnes Avenue. Spoke on climate change  
Patricia Joseph of 130 Longhouse Road, Hamden. Spoke on climate change  
Lumisa Bista of 129 Elm Street. Spoke on Yale Respect New Haven  
Ann Ward of 17 Nicole Street. Spoke on Green New Deal  
Ben Parsons of 32 Riverton Road, Riverton. Spoke on climate change  
A. Feldman of 17 Stevenson Road. Spoke on Yale Respect New Haven  
S. Schnider of 118 Edwards Street. Spoke on the library  
Ryan Turner of 227 Marlewood Avenue. Spoke on the library  
Jamilea Washington of 27 Winchester Street. Spoke about the budget  
A. Biao, High school student. Spoke on climate change  
Joshua of 10 West Prospect Street. Spoke on library  
Jaime Myers-McPhail of 135 Belview Road. Spoke on budget  
Sharef of Hamden. Spoke on Yale University  
Melissa Chambers of 4 Sivan Avenue. Spoke on Yale University  
Corbet of 616 Winthrop Avenue. Spoke on Yale University  
Elias Estabrook of 106 Newhall Street. Spoke on affordable housing  
Jiyoun Chang of 406 Central Avenue. Spoke on the library  
Cindy Stretch of 98 Marshall Street, West Haven. Spoke on the budget  
Dennis Serfilippi of 223 Alden Avenue. Spoke on the budget  
Aaron Goode of 45 Williams Street. Spoke on the budget  
Thomasine Shaw of 188 Howard Avenue. Spoke on the budget*

*Alder Hamilton asked three time if anyone else from the public wished to testify. No one came forward.*

*At 7:52 PM, Alder Hamilton called for a 5-minute recess.*

*At 8:00 PM, Alder Hamilton called the meeting to order.*

**3. ORDER APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM COMPENSATION FOR THE LEGAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE LAW FIRM OF BERCHEM, MOSES & DEVLIN, P.C. FROM \$99,000 TO \$145,000 FROM GF 2020-2021 LINE ITEM 11331010-56696.**

*Rodrick Williams, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Michelle Duprey, Assistant Corporation Counsel, and Michael Gormany, Director of Management & Budget, came before the committee. Mr. Gormany spoke to the committee about amending the amount of the contract to \$218,000. He also told the committee this increase was coming from another line item in the Corporation Counsel's budget. Ms. Duprey also spoke the increase.*

*Alder Marchand asked what work this firm was doing for the city to almost double the contract amount. Ms. Duprey told the committee the work that was being done.*

*Alder Marchand asked if they were satisfied with the work that was being done. Ms. Duprey said that they were.*

*Alder DeCola asked if these funds would be enough until the end of the fiscal year. Ms. Duprey said it would be.*

*Alder Festa asked if the number of cases were too many for labor Relations to handle. Ms. Duprey said they were.*

*No further questions were asked*

**4. RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE (LEAP) NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00 TO PROVIDE MANAGEMENT FOR THE DIXWELL COMMUNITY CENTER (Q-HOUSE). LEAP WILL MANAGE PROGRAMMING AND SPACE MANAGEMENT FOR THE MULTI-GENERATIONAL FACILITY IN THE DIXWELL/NEWHALLVILLE COMMUNITY**

*Dr. Mehul Dalal, CSA Administration, Gwendolyn Williams, Youth Executive Director, Henry Fernandez, Executive Director of Leadership, Education and Athletics in Partnership, Inc (LEAP), and Michael Gormany, Director of Management & Budget, came before the committee. Ms. Williams spoke of the changes they were requesting. Mr. Fernandez then spoke to the committee about what LEAP was doing.*

*Alder Marchand asked with the City funding will an RFP be required. Mr. Fernandez spoke about this.*

*Adam Festa asked if there would be a line item in the Monthly Financial Report. Mr. Gormany answered this question.*

*No further questions were asked*

*Alder Hamilton asked if there was anyone from the public wishing to speak on these items. The following did so.*

*Patrick Cannon of 300 Ferry Street spoke concerning Labor relations.*

*Alder Hamilton again asked if there was anyone from the public wishing to speak on these items. No one came forward.*

*At 9:04 PM, a motion by Marchand, seconded by DeCola, was made to close the public portion of the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.*

*Committee Action:*

- 1. On a motion by Marchand, seconded by DeCola, to move item 4, the LEAP contract, as amended. The committee voted by voice vote to approve the amended contract.*
- 2. On a motion by Marchand, seconded by DeCola, to move item 3, as amended. The committee voted by voice vote to approve the amended contract.*

*The meeting was recorded. The recording is found online at <https://bit.ly/3f8lvoz>.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Donald A. Hayden  
Fiscal Analyst*