City of New Haven

Meeting Agenda

Youth Committee

165 Church Street
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Wednesday, November 4, 2026 | **6:00 PM** | **Board of Alders Chamber**

Meeting can be viewed on Board of Alders YouTube.

(Board of Alders-New Haven Notice) The Youth Services Committee will meet in-person on Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at 6:00 PM located at 165 Church St., 2nd floor, Board of Alders Chamber, New Haven, CT, to hear and act upon the following items:

LM-2026-0480 RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM ASPHALT GREEN IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO $250,595.20 TO SUPPORT THE LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM FOR ALL 3RD GRADE STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

This item is on file and available for public inspection in the Office of Legislative Services. 165 Church Street, New Haven. Per order: Hon. Kimberly Edwards, Chair: Attest: Hon. Michael Smart, City Clerk.

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Public may send comments to publictestimony@newhavenct.gov.

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Text File

File Number: LM-2026-0480

Agenda Date: **Version:** 1 **Status:** In Committee

In Control: Youth Committee **File Type:** Resolution

Agenda Number:

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CHECK LIST FOR ALDERMANIC SUBMISSIONS

X	Cover Letter
X	Resolutions/Orders/Ordinances (NOTE: If you are submitting any item to the State you must write a Resolution)
X	Prior Notification Form
X	Fiscal Impact Statement - Should include comprehensive budget
X	Supporting Documentation (if applicable)

IN ADDITION [IF A GRANT/DONATION]:

X	Notice of Intent
X	Grant Summary
X	Executive Summary (not longer than 5 pages without an explanation)

Date Submitted: October 16, 2026

Meeting Submitted For: October 19, 2026

Regular or Suspension Agenda: Regular

Submitted By: Erik Patchkofsky, Director of Athletics, Physical Education and Health

Title of Legislation:

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Coordinator's Signature:

Controller's Signature (if grant): Signed by: Michael Gormany EA14A648F4A74DD...

Mayor's Office Signature:

Call (203) 927-0802 or email aguzhnay@newhavenct.gov with any questions.

PLEASE NOTE CLEARLY IF UC (UNANIMOUS CONSENT) IS REQUESTED

*** SUSPENSION AGENDA ITEMS MUST BE DISCUSSED WITH PRESIDENT OF BOA***

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October 16, 2026

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165 Church Street
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Signed by:
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PRIOR NOTIFICATION FORM

NOTICE OF MATTER TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF ALDERS

TO (list applicable alders of): **ALL**

WARD # **ALL**

DATE: October 16, 2026

FROM: Department/Office Athletics, Physical Education & Health

Person Erik Patchkofsky Telephone 475-220-1100

This is to inform you that the following matter affecting your ward(s) will be submitted to the Board of Alders in the near future:

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Check one if this an appointment to a Board or Commission:

☐ Democrat

☐ Republican

☐ Unaffiliated/Independent/Other _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO DEPARTMENTS

1. Departments are responsible for sending this form to the alder(s) affected by the item.
2. This form must be sent (or delivered) directly to the alder(s) **before** it is submitted to the Legislative Services Office for the Board of Alders agenda.
3. The date entry must be completed with the date this form was sent the alder(s).
4. Copies to: alder(s); sponsoring department; attached to submission to Board of Alders.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DATE:	September 30, 2026		
FROM (Dept.):	**Youth and Recreation Department**		
CONTACT:	**Felicia Shashinka**	**PHONE**	**203-946-8088**

SUBMISSION ITEM (Title of Legislation):

RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM ASPHALT GREEN IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO $250,595.20 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2026 TO JUNE 30, 2027 TO SUPPORT THE LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM FOR ALL 3RD GRADE STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

List Cost: **Describe in as much detail as possible both personnel and non-personnel costs; general, capital or special funds; and source of funds currently budgeted for this purpose.**

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL FUNDS	BOND FUNDING	CAPITAL/LINE ITEM/DEPT/ACT/OBJ CODE
A. Personnel	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	
1. Initial start up	**$250,595.20**	**$0**	**$0**	
2. One-time	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	
3. Annual	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	
B. Non-personnel	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	
1. Initial start up	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	
2. One-time	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	
3. Annual	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	

List Revenues: **Will this item result in any revenues for the City? If Yes, please list amount and type.**

NO	**x**
YES	

1. One-time

2. Annual

Other Comments:

Contractual agreement with Asphalt Green October 2026 to June 2027

NOTICE OF INTENT

NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD OF ALDERS REGARDING PROPOSED GRANT AND CONTRACT APPLICATIONS TO BE MADE BY THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN DURING THE PERIOD:

PROGRAM NAME: Learn to Swim

(X) NEW ( ) CONTINUATION
(Check One of the Above)

FUNDING LEVEL AVAILABLE TO PROJECT:

FUNDING SOURCE: Asphalt Green

PURPOSE OF PROGRAM: Salaries/Equipment & Learn to swim program

BRIEF SUMMARY OF CITY'S PROPOSAL:
Provide a water safety learn to swim program for all 3rd graders for a period of October 2026 through June 2027.

MATCH REQUIREMENT FROM GENERAL FUND (if any): None

ALLOWABLE INDIRECT COST: None

DEPARTMENT SUBMITTING APPLICATION: Board of Education

CONTACT PERSON: Erik Patchkofsky

DATE: September 30, 2026

GRANT SUMMARY	
Grant Title:	Learn to Swim Program
MUNIS #:	
City Department:	Board of Education
City Contact Person & Phone:	Erik Patchkofsky
Funding Level:	$250,595.20
Funding Period:	Fiscal year 2027 – October 2026-June 2027
Funding Source:	Asphalt Green
Funding Source Contact Person & Phone	Renee Davis
Purpose of Program:	Learn to Swim/Water Safety
Personnel (salary):	250,595.20
Personnel (Worker's Comp):	$0
Personnel (Med. Benefit):	$0
Non-Personnel (total):	$0
Non-Personnel (M & U):	New
New or Renewal?	NEW
Limits on spending (e.g., Admin. Cap)?	N/A
Reporting requirements: Fiscal	As required by Asphalt Green
Reporting requirements: Programmatic	N/A
Due date of first report:	N/A
Audit Requirements:	N/A

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
GRANT NAME: Learn to Swim
DEPARTMENT: Board of Education
DATE: October 16, 2026
Funding request: $250,595.20

The city of New Haven Board of Education is seeking additional support to get all 3rd grade students swimming lessons. The district-wide Learn to Swim program will:

- Provide every 3rd grade student with foundational Swimming and water safety skills.
- Increase students comfort and confidence in an around water.
- Teach children how to respond appropriately to common aquatic situations.
- Provide equitable access to professional swim instruction regardless of family income.
- Most importantly, the program sends a clear message to every child that water safety is for everyone, and that every student deserves the opportunity to learn this important life skill.

Free Swim Lessons for NHPS 3rd Graders

New Haven Public Schools Physical Education/Athletics Department aim to provide every student with meaningful swim instruction throughout their K-12 education. To achieve this, we will implement a two-tier Strategy:

1) In partnership with local organizations, we will offer after-school swimming lessons to all NHPS students who do not have swimming lessons as part of their Physical Education classes.
2) We will certify PE teachers at schools with swimming pools, incorporating swim lessons into their physical education curriculum.

This enriching after-school program is designed to promote physical development, confidence, and essential water safety skills.

The program includes:

- **10 one-hour swim lessons**
- A **1:10 certified swim instructor-to-student ratio**
- A **1:5 adult-to-student supervision ratio**

The primary goals of the program are to strengthen gross motor skills, build self-esteem, and increase water safety awareness among students and to have students become proficient in basic swimming strokes.

Each participating school will be assigned a designated month to attend after-school swim lessons at one of the following NHPS pool locations:

- James Hillhouse High School
- Hill Regional Career High School
- John Martinez Sea & Sky STEM Magnet School
- Conte West Hills Magnet School

This initiative ensures all students have access to high-quality aquatic instruction in a safe and supportive environment.

Please see reference to appendix A to reference swimming instruction matrix.

Appendix A

New Haven Public Schools Learn to Swim Schedule

Swimming Pool					
Hillhouse					
Swim lessons are on T. W, TH					
	School	Dissmissal	Month	Dates	Time
1	Beecher	Teir 3	October	Oct. 7th - Oct. 30th	3:30-5:00
2	Sheridan	Teir 3	Nov/Dec	Nov 5th to Dec 17	3:30-5:00
3	Davis	Teir 3	January	January 7th-Jan 29th	3:30-5:00
4	King Robinson	Teir 3	February	Feb 3rd to Feb 26	3:30-5:00
5	OBAMA	Teir 2	March	March 3 to March 26	3:30-5:00
6	Bassett	Teir 2	April	April 1st to April 30th	3:30-5:00

Swimming Pool					
Career					
Swim lessons are on T. W, TH					
	School	Dissmissal	Month	Dates	Time
1	Nathan Hale	Teir 1	October	Oct. 7th - Oct. 30th	3:00-4:30
2	Celentano	Teir 1	Nov/Dec	Nov 5th to Dec 17	3:00-4:30
3	East Rock	Teir 1	January	January 7th-Jan 29th	3:00-4:30
4	Daniels	Teir 2	February	Feb 3rd to Feb 26	3:30-5:00
5	Clemente	Teir 2	March	March 3 to March 26	3:30-5:00
6	Truman	Teir 2	April	April 1st to April 30th	3:30-5:00

Swimming Pool					
Conte					
Swim lessons are on T. W, TH					
	School	Dissmissal	Month	Dates	Time
1	Jepson	Teir 3	October	Oct. 7th - Oct. 30th	3:30-5:00
2	Barnard	Teir 3	Nov/Dec	Nov 5th to Dec 17	3:30-5:00
3	Ross Woodward	Teir 3	January	January 7th-Jan 29th	3:30-5:00
4	Hill Central	Teir 3	February	Feb 3rd to Feb 26	3:30-5:00
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Swim Program Budget		
#	Personnel	Cost
15	Instructors	100,800
16	Watchers/Life Guards	58,368
5	Coordinators/Transportation Coordinator	33000
	Sub-Total	**192,168**

	Fixed Cost	
	FICA/Medicare	12,176.36
	Workman Compensation	1082.35
	Sub-Total	13,258.71
	Total Personnel & Fixed Cost	**$205,426.71**

	Non-Personnel	
	Student Transportation	43,399.20
	Equipment	1769.29
	Total Non-Personnel	$45,168.49

Total Cost of Program **$250,595.20**

NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Physical Education & Athletics Department

Parental Consent & Permission Slip

After-School Swimming Lessons & Program Participation

Student Information

Student Name: _____

School Name: _____

Grade/Class: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Program Details

- Location of Lessons: _____
- Dates of Program: _____
- Time: _____

Transportation will be provided from your Child's school to the swimming pool they are assigned to. No return transportation will be provided, and parents must pick up child from the assigned swimming pool. Students.

Students should come prepared for swimming lessons by bringing a swimsuit that is appropriate for school activities, a towel, and flip-flops or water shoes for safe movement on the pool deck. A swim cap is recommended, especially for students with long hair. It is also suggested that students bring a change of clothes, a plastic bag to store wet items, and hair ties if needed. For safety reasons, no jewelry may be worn in the pool, and all students are expected to always follow pool safety rules and staff instructions. All swim lessons are supervised by certified swimming instructors and school staff to ensure a safe and supportive environment.

Parental/Guardian Consent

I hereby give permission for my child, named above, to participate in the New Haven Public Schools after-school swimming lessons and related activities sponsored by the Physical Education and Athletics Department.

I understand that:

- Certified swim instructors will supervise all swim instruction
- Reasonable safety precautions will be always taken
- Swimming and physical activity involve inherent risks

I accept these risks and agree to hold harmless New Haven Public Schools, the school district, and its employees from liability except in cases of negligence.

I further understand that this program is a **privilege and reward**, and I assume full responsibility for my child's behavior during all program activities.

Medical Information

Does your child have any medical conditions we should be aware of?
☐ No ☐ Yes (please explain): _____

Allergies (including food, medication, or environmental):

Emergency Contact Information

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

I certify that the information provided above is accurate and I grant permission for my child to participate in the after-school swimming program.

Parent/Guardian Name (print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please return this signed permission slip to your school or coach by the designated deadline.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: City of New Haven Board of Aldermen

FROM: Erik Patchkofsky, Athletic Director
Athletics/PE-Health/Floyd Little Athletic Center

DATE: September 16, 2026

SUBJECT: **Asphalt Green Grant Agreement– Free Swim Lessons for NHPS 3rd Graders**

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