

City of New Haven
Meeting Minutes (Short)
Finance Committee

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6:30 PM

Aldermanic Chambers

Aldermanic Notice - New Haven

The Finance Committee will hold a workshop on Monday, April 13, 2009, at 6:30 P.M, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 165 Church St., New Haven, to hear testimony from City Departments concerning their budget requests for FY 2009-2010. These departments are;

Economic Development Administration
Subsidies (Shubert Theater, Tweed/New Haven
Airport, Pilot Pen, Grove Street Garage)
City Plan Commission
Department of Transportation, Traffic & Parking
Office of Building Inspection & Enforcement

Livable City Initiative
Community Services Administration
Department of Public Health
Department of Elderly Services
Department of Youth Services
Commission on Equal Opportunity

The City of New Haven 2009-10 Annual Budget is filed with the City Clerk and may be inspected at Room 202, 200 Orange St., New Haven. Per order: Yusuf Shah, Chair. Attest: Ron Smith, City Clerk.

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Meeting Minutes

Chair Shah called the workshop to order at 6:36 p.m. April 13, 2009 in the Aldermanic Chamber, 165 Church Street, New Haven. Present were Aids. Shah, Silverman, Perez, Goldfield, Jackson-Brooks, Clark, Castro, Lemar, and Sandman.

Workshop to review portions of the Annual City Budget proposed by the Mayor for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2009.

1. Andrew Rizzo, Chief Building Inspector, and Walter Esdale, Acting Director of the Livable City Initiative, came before the committee. Mr. Rizzo spoke concerning the LCI and LCI department's budget requests.

Alderman Perez asked if there were any initiatives. Mr. Rizzo said that it was just to maintain operations.

Alderman Perez asked about the revenues projections. Mr. Rizzo said the departments were on tract to meet the current year revenue budget and also he believed that next years revenue budget was realistic.

Alderman Perez asked what the Property Management and the Housing Assistance in the Capital Budget. Mr. Rizzo explained what they were.

There were no further questions from the Committee.

2. Kelly Murphy, Economic Administrator, came before the committee. Ms. Murphy gave the committee a handout which she went over.

Alderman Perez asked what was spent on land & buildings. Ms. Murphy said that she would have to get back to the committee with an answer.

Alderwoman Jackson-Brooks asked what the relations were between Economic Development and with the Economic Development Corporation. Ms. Murphy said that she would have to get back to the committee with an answer.

Alderman Sandman asked if he could be given information on what it would cost if the Shubert Theater was closed. Ms. Murphy said she would get him the information.

Alderwoman Jackson-Brooks asked what would be lost without Cultural Affairs? Ms. Murphy said that she would have to get back to the committee with an answer.

There were no further questions from the Committee.

3. John Fisher, Executive Director of the Shubert Theater, and Ms. Kaplan, from CAPA, came before the committee. Mr. Fisher gave the committee a handout which he went over.

There were no questions from the Committee.

4. Tim Larsen, Executive Director of Tweed/New Haven Airport, came before the committee. Mr. Larsen spoke to the committee concerning the airport funding and he gave the committee a handout showing the proposed airport budget.

Alderman Perez asked what the airports capital budget was used for. Mr. Larsen went over it.

There were no further questions from the Committee.

5. Ann Wooster, Executive director of Pilot Pen and Market New Haven, came before the committee. Ms. Wooster gave three handouts each on the Pilot Pen and Market New Haven, which she went over.

There were no questions from the Committee.

6. Alderman Shah asked if there was anyone for the Grove Street garage. No one came forward. Alderman Shah directed committee staff to schedule the garage for another workshop

7. Michael Piscitelli, Director of Transportation/Traffic & Parking, came before the committee. Mr. Piscitelli went over his department's budget request.

There were no questions from the Committee.

8. Karyn Gilvarg, City Planner, came before the committee. Ms. Gilvarg went over the City Plan department's budget request.

There were no questions from the Committee.

9. Kica Matos, Community Services Administrator, Che Dawson, Director of Youth Services, Ron Manning, Deputy Director of Community Services, William Quinn, Director of Health Services, and Donald Dimenstein, Acting Director of Elderly Services, came before the committee. Each Department head spoke to the committee concerning the budget for their department.

Alderman Perez asked Mr. Dawson which schools, programs, and times were being used by his department. Mr. Dawson said he would get back to the committee with the answer.

Alderman Goldfield asked Ms. Matos for a copy of the Outreach Program reports. Ms. Matos said she would get them to the committee.

Alderman Jackson-Brooks also asked Ms. Matos for the Outreach Program budget. Ms. Matos said she would provide it to the committee.

There were no further questions from the Committee.

10. Nicole Jefferson, Director of Equal Opportunity, came before the committee. Ms. Jefferson went over the department's budget request.

There were no questions from the Committee.

On a motion by Jackson-Brooks, seconded by Perez, the Committee unanimously voted to close the workshop at 9:45 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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