

The Regular Meeting of the 31<sup>st</sup> Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. The meeting will be held remotely and can be accessed by computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81470541826> or at [www.zoom.com](http://www.zoom.com) – Webinar ID: 814 7054 1826 or by telephone at 1-646-558-8656 Webinar ID: 814 7054 1826

# AGENDA

**INVOCATION:** To be delivered by Cantor Katie Kaplan [20<sup>th</sup> District].

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** To be led by President Curtis.

**ROLL CALL:** To be conducted by Clerk Cottrell.

**VOTING MACHINE STATUS:**

**MOMENTS OF SILENCE:**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

**HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:**

1. [RESOLUTION](#); Congratulating the Villa Maria School on its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.  
07/21/23 – Submitted by Rep. Weinberg

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:**

# STANDING COMMITTEES

## STEERING COMMITTEE:

Meeting: Monday, August 14, 2023

7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

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1. [S31.004](#) RESOLUTION; Appointment of Members of the Board of Representatives to Attend Hearings of the Planning Board in Preparation of a Proposed Capital Program.  
08/04/23 – Submitted by President Curtis

## APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

**Denis W. Patterson, Chair**

**Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Tuesday, August 22, 2023

6:30 p.m. – By Webinar

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The following items are to be considered on the Consent Agenda: Items 3 and 4:

1. A31.086 **Director of Administration**  
Ben Barnes (D) Repl. Dennies  
Stratford, CT 06614  
Term Expires: 12/1/2025  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
**08/22/23 – Approved by Committee 5-1-3**
2. A31.087 **Zoning Board**  
Keith Walker (D)1 Repl. Vacancy  
Stamford, CT 06902  
Term Expires: 12/1/2025  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
**08/22/23 – Failed in Committee 3-5-1**
3. A31.088 **Citation Officer**  
Jennifer Pinto (R) Repl. Fedeli  
Stamford, CT 06903  
Term Expires: 12/1/2025  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
**08/22/23 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0**
4. A31.089 **Citation Officer**  
Ronald Miller Reappointment  
Bridgeport, CT 06606  
Term Expires: 12/1/2025  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
**08/22/23 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0**

**FISCAL COMMITTEE:**

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**Sean Boeger, Co-Chair**

**Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair**

Meeting: Monday, August 28, 2023

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by  
webinar

The following items are to be considered on the Consent Agenda: Items 1 through 9 and 11 through 13:

1. [F31.246](#)            ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);  
\$510,394.00        Emergency Communications Center Reorganization;  
Creation of 5 Civilian Dispatch Supervisor Positions  
(Source of Funds: Contingency).  
07/06/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
07/13/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0  
07/24/23 – Recommitted to Fiscal 9-0-0  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0**
  
2. [F31.259](#)            ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget);  
\$6,000.00            DECD Certified Local Government Grant; Grant from  
Historic Preservation Council to Stamford HPAC to  
Develop an Informational Brochure Summarizing  
Regulations and Incentives for Historic Preservation  
Projects; Funds to be used for Graphic Designer,  
Office Supplies; Printing and Copying Expenses  
[Source of Funds: 100% Grant Funded]  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
08/10/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-0  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 9-0-1**
  
3. [F31.257](#)            ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
\$3,095,520.00        CP0231; FY22/23; Citywide Dredging; Cove Marina  
and Channel Dredging [Source of Funds: 100%  
State Grant]  
08/04/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
08/07/23 – Approved by Planning Board  
08/10/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-0  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0**
  
4. [F31.260](#)            RESOLUTION; Regarding the Capital Budget for  
Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Appropriation and Bond  
Authorization for the Springdale School Flooring  
Renovation Project Financing and for School  
Construction Grant.  
08/08/23 – Submitted by Anita Carpenter  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0**

5. [F31.261](#) RESOLUTION; Regarding the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Appropriation and Bond Authorization for the Northeast School Flooring Renovation Project Financing and for School Construction Grant.  
08/08/23 – Submitted by Anita Carpenter  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0**
  
6. [F31.255](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);  
\$1,359,408.00 UAW Wage Increase FY23/24 Per Recent Contract Settlement [Source of Funds: Contingency]  
07/28/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
08/10/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-0  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0**
  
7. [F31.256](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);  
\$565,862.00 UAW Retroactive Wage Payout per Recent Contract Settlement [Source of Funds: Fund Balance]  
07/26/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
08/10/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-0  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0**
  
8. [F31.254](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
\$770,930.00 CP4000007; Davenport Ridge LTFP DM/AR; Increase grant appropriation to support Davenport roof application for school construction (Source of Funds: 100% State Grant)  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
08/07/23 – Approved by Planning Board  
08/10/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-0  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0**
  
9. [F31.253](#) RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 by Adding an Appropriation of \$770,930 for the Davenport Ridge School Roof Project and Approving the Acceptance of a State Grant to Meet Said Appropriation  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 11-0-0**
  
10. [F31.258](#) REJECTION; Capital Project Closeout  
\$200,775,758.00 Recommendation; CP1471; Westhill High School  
07/28/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
08/07/23 – Approved by Planning Board  
08/10/23 – No Action Taken by Board of Finance  
**08/28/28 – No Action Taken**

11. [F31.250](#)      ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
\$241,051,110.00      CP1471; Westhill High School Replacement Project;  
State recently approved project escalation cost for  
the construction of new Westhill High School; Total  
Authorization for project is \$301,313,888  
(\$241,051,110 grant funds, \$60,262,778 bond funds)  
[Source of Funds: State Grant]  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
08/07/23 – Approved by Planning Board  
08/10/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-0  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0**
12. [F31.249](#)      RESOLUTION; Amending the Resolution Entitled  
“Amending The Capital Budget For Fiscal Year  
2020-2021 by Adding An Appropriation of  
\$261,038,536 for the Westhill High School  
Replacement Project and Authorizing \$261,038,536  
General Obligation Bonds of the City to Meet Said  
Appropriation” by Increasing the Appropriation by  
\$40,275,352  
08/03/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0**
13. [F31.228](#)      ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget);  
\$68,755.00      EPA Air Quality; 31 Month Air Quality Monitoring  
Grant from the EPA; Program will focus on NO<sub>2</sub>,  
Particulate Matter and Ozone (Source of Funds:  
100% grant funded).  
05/30/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
06/08/23 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0  
06/12/23 – Held at Steering  
07/13/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0  
07/24/23 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0  
08/07/23 – Recommended to Steering by Full Board  
**08/28/28 – Approved by Committee 10-0-0**

***As a Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health***

14. [F31.241](#)  
\$210,750.00
- ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Resiliency and Climate Adaptation Implementation; Identify Actionable Next Steps and Potential Funding Mechanisms; Includes West Side, Waterside and Downtown Neighborhoods; GIS-based Tree Inventories will be Included (Source of Funds: 100% State Grant).  
07/06/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
06/27/23 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)  
07/13/23 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0  
07/24/23 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0  
08/07/23 – Recommended to Steering by Full Board  
**08/28/28 – Recommended to Steering by Committee 10-0-0**
15. [F31.236](#)
- REVIEW: Methodology for Establishing Valuation of Commercial Properties for Real Estate Tax Purposes and Comparison of Actual Sale Amounts Versus Appraised Value Amounts for the Last 10 Years.  
06/07/23 – Submitted by Reps. de la Cruz, Sherwood, Patterson, Bewkes, Stella, Watkins, Tomas, and Figueroa  
06/26/23 – Held by Committee 9-0-0  
07/24/23 – Recommended to Steering 9-0-0  
**08/28/28 – Recommended to Steering by Committee 10-0-0**

**LEGISLATIVE & RULES  
COMMITTEE:**

**Phil Berns, Chair**  
**Sean Boeger, Vice Chair**  
Meeting: Tuesday, August 29, 2023  
7:00 p.m. — By Webinar - **CANCELLED**

1. [LR31.054](#)
- ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption;  
Concerning a Tax Abatement Agreement among the City of Stamford and Oak Park 1 Limited Partnership and the Housing Authority of the City of Stamford for 61 Below-Market Units Located at Ursula Place, Stamford, CT.  
06/27/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
07/27/23 – Approved by Committee 5-0-1

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:**  
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**Anabel Figueroa, Chair**  
**Mary Fedeli, Vice Chair**  
Meeting: Monday, August 21, 2023  
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

1. P31.043 REJECTION; Tentative Agreement Between the City of Stamford and UAW Local 2377, July 1, 2022– June 30, 2025.  
07/28/23 – Submitted by Al Cava  
8/10/23 – Positive Advisory Opinion Given by Board of Finance  
**08/21/28 – Failed in Committee 0-6-0**

**LAND USE/URBAN  
REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

**Bradley Bewkes, Chair**  
**Nina Sherwood, Vice Chair**

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:**

**Virgil de la Cruz, Chair**  
**Carmine Tomas, Vice Chair**  
Meeting: Monday, August 21, 2023  
~~6:30 p.m. — by Webinar —~~ **CANCELLED**

1. O31.031 REVIEW; A Plan of How to Provide the Residents of the North Side of Stamford Access to the Public City Water and to Stamford's Sewer System.  
08/09/23 – Submitted by Rep. Stella

**PUBLIC SAFETY &  
HEALTH COMMITTEE:**

[Attendance](#)  
[Minutes](#) & [Video](#)

**Jeffrey Stella, Chair**

**Eric Morson, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Thursday, August 24, 2023

6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

1. [PS31.002](#) REVIEW; Administration Plans to pursue Air Quality Monitoring as Proposed in [Resolution 4081](#). (Previously PS30.092)  
12/08/21 – Submitted by Reps. de la Cruz and Berns  
12/13/21 – Moved to Pending  
03/01/23 – Report Made  
03/06/23 – Recommitted to Steering at Board Meeting by Unanimous Voice Vote  
03/13/23 – Moved to Pending  
04/20/22 – Held by Committee 6-0-0  
05/18/22 – No Action Taken  
06/13/22 – Moved to Pending  
05/18/23 – Report Made  
06/05/23 – Recommitted to Steering by Full Board  
06/12/23 – Moved to Pending  
**08/24/28 – No Action Taken**
  
2. [PS31.030](#) REVIEW; Health Risks related to use of PFAs (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) in Public Safety Agencies PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and all Other Safety Equipment, as well as to the Environment.  
09/06/22 – Submitted by Reps. Stella and Curtis  
10/19/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee  
11/14/22 – Moved to Pending  
**08/24/28 – No Action Taken**

***Possibly in Executive Session:***

3. PS31.039 REVIEW; of How the City of Stamford is Handling the Presumed Occupational Cancer within the Fire Department  
04/05/2023 – Submitted by Reps. Stella, Curtis, Watkins, Campbell, Baxter, Figueroa, Matheny, Boeger, Pierre-Louis, Pavia, Roqueta, de la Cruz, Tomas, Sherwood and Garst.  
04/20/23 – Held  
05/18/23 – Held by Committee  
06/12/23 – Moved to Pending  
**08/24/28 – No Action Taken**



**PARKS & RECREATION  
COMMITTEE:**

**Jennifer Matheny, Chair  
Daniel R. Sanford, Vice Chair**

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**

**Megan Cottrell, Chair  
Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair**

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:**

**Mavina Moore, Co-Chair  
Rob Roqueta, Co-Chair  
Meeting: Tuesday, August 29, 2023  
6:30 p.m. — by Webinar **CANCELLED****

1. HCD31.043      REVIEW; How Many Affordable Housing Units has Stamford Gained in the last 5 Years through New Development and How Many New Developments have used Fee-in-Lieu.  
08/09/23 – Submitted by Reps. Figueroa, Stella, and Campbell

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:**

**David Watkins, Chair  
Terry Adams, Vice Chair**

**STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE:**

**Fred Pierre-Louis, Chair  
Jonathan Jacobson, Vice Chair**

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE:**

**Jeff Curtis, Co-Chair  
Bradley Bewkes, Co-Chair**

**OUTSIDE COUNSEL COMMITTEE:**

**Jeff Curtis, Chair**

**HIGH RIDGE LITIGATION PROPOSED  
RESOLUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE:**

**Jeff Curtis, Chair  
Bradley Bewkes, Vice Chair**

**MINUTES**

1. [APPROVAL](#); August 7, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
2. [APPROVAL](#); August 29, 2023 Special Board Meeting Minutes.