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Legislative & Rules Committee – Board of Representatives



Michael McKeown, Chair

Karen Camporeale, Vice-Chair

Committee Meeting and Public Hearing Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2026

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: *This meeting was held in the Democratic Caucus Room, 888 Washington Blvd, Stamford, CT, 4th Floor and remotely.*

The Legislative & Rules Committee met as indicated above. Present were: Chair McKeown, Vice Chair Camporeale, and Committee member Reps. Blank, Boudreau, Hughes, Hyatt, Lapine, Stone, and Weinberg. Also present were ex-officio Reps. Morson, Shaw and Walston; City staff Chris Dellaselva, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Ryan Fealey, CFO, Stamford Public Schools; Luke Bittenwieser, Senior Transportation Planner; Matt Quiñones, Director, Operations; Robert Clauis, Executive Director, Environmental Protection; Tim Rorick, the City's real estate agent; and Ms. Jeanette Bilicznianski, as well as members of the public.

Chair McKeown called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. LR32.018	RESOLUTION and public hearing; City Lease of 0 & 338 Courtland Avenue for School Bus Parking 04/28/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 05/14/2026 – Held by Board of Finance 5-0-0 05/18/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	APPROVED BY COMMITTEE 9-0-0

Chair McKeown read the item and called for a motion to approve (Boudreau) which was seconded. Chair McKeown then opened the public hearing session at 7:06 p.m. and as there was no pre-registered list of speakers, invited anyone from the public who was present and wished to speak to raise their hand. The interested members of the public then spoke (see [speaker list](#)), and the session was closed at 7:13 p.m. after all interested parties had spoken.

Chair McKeown then invited Mr. Dellaselva and Director Quiñones to speak on it. After their statements on the item, there was brief discussion with the committee members and ex-officio Board members attending the meeting prior to a motion to enter executive session.

A motion to enter executive session was made, seconded, and approved via roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Chair McKeown, Vice Chair Camporeale, and Committee Reps. Blank, Boudreau, Hughes, Hyatt, Lapine, Stone and Weinberg approved) for the purpose of discussing the terms of the lease of real property where the publicity of which may adversely impact the City's position. The Committee entered executive session at 7:26pm and concluded it at 8:25pm. Those in attendance included the Committee members, **ex-officious members Rep. Morson, Pres. Shaw and Rep. Walston**, and invitees Director Matt Quiñones, Attorney Chris Dellaselva, Mr. Ryan Fealey, Mr. Luke Buttenwieser, and Mr. Tim Rorick who were instrumental in the discussions. No motions or votes were held in executive session.

When the group returned to the public session, additional discussion occurred before the committee voted on the motion to approve. The motion was then approved by a roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Chair McKeown, Vice Chair Camporeale, and Committee Reps. Blank, Boudreau, Hughes, Hyatt, Lapine, Stone and Weinberg voted to approve).

2. LR32.019	ORDINANCE; for publication; An Ordinance Establishing a Conservation Commission. 05/04/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Camporeale	RECOMMITTED TO STEERING BY COMMITTEE 5-3-1
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Chair McKeown read the item and called for a motion to approve, which was made and received a second. Chair McKeown then opened the floor to Vice Chair Camporeale, who invited Ms. Bilicznianski to make her statement regarding the proposed Conservation Commission. Additional discussion took place prior to the vote. The question as to why this item was not in the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee was raised and answered.

Rep. Hughes then made a motion to recommit the item to the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee, which was seconded. During the discussion, the idea of having this item in a joint committee meeting with both the Legislative & Rules Committee and the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee when the item would be subject to a public hearing, was made. Another suggestion was to move this item forward and at Steering this item could be considered for Land Use/Urban Redevelopment as a secondary committee to keep the item moving. The original motion to recommit was then amended to be a motion to recommit the item to Steering. The amendment was approved via a voice vote of 8-0-1 (Chair McKeown, Vice Chair Camporeale and Committee Reps. Blank, Hughes, Hyatt, Lapine, Stone and Weinberg approved; Rep. Boudreau abstained).

The motion to recommit the item to Steering was then approved via a roll call vote of 5-3-1 (Committee Reps. Hughes, Hyatt, Lapine, Stone and Weinberg approved; Chair McKeown, Vice Chair Camporeale and Committee Rep. Blank voted against; Rep. Boudreau abstained).

3. LR32.016	ORDINANCE for publication; To repeal the Appointments Commission per Article XVII of Chapter 6, including Sections 6-121 through 6-124 of the Code of Ordinances. 03/05/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 04/28/2026 – Item tabled by Committee 7-2-0 04/28/2026 – Postponed definitely to the next meeting by Committee 7-2-0	APPROVED BY COMMITTEE VIA ROLL CALL VOTE 9-0-0
Chair McKeown read the item and called for a motion to approve. A motion was made, seconded, and there was no discussion. The item was approved via a roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Chair McKeown, Vice Chair Camporeale, and Committee Reps. Blank, Boudreau, Hughes, Hyatt, Lapine, Stone, and Weinberg approved).		
4. LR32.017	ORDINANCE for publication; Amending the Code of Ordinances to establish information reporting requirements of the Office of the Mayor with respect to the applicants and appointees of the City Boards and Commissions. 04/08/2026 – Submitted by Rep. McKeown 04/28/2026 – Amended by Committee 9-0-0 04/28/2026 – Further Amended by Committee 5-4-0 04/28/2026 – Recommit to Steering Failed by Committee 4-5-0 04/28/2026 – Postponed definitely to the next meeting by Committee 7-2-0	APPROVED BY COMMITTEE VIA ROLL CALL VOTE 7-2-0
Chair McKeown called for a motion to suspend the rules to take up Item 4 before Item 3. The motion was made, seconded, and approved via a unanimous voice vote (Chair McKeown, Vice Chair Camporeale, and Committee Reps. Blank, Boudreau, Hughes, Hyatt, Lapine, Stone and Weinberg approved). A motion to approve was made, seconded, and discussion ensued. The item was approved via a roll call vote of 7-2-0 (Chair McKeown, Vice Chair Camporeale, and Committee Reps. Blank, Boudreau, Hyatt, Lapine and Stone approved; Committee Reps. Hughes and Weinberg voted against).		

Chair McKeown called for a motion to adjourn and adjourned the meeting at 9:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael McKeown, Chair

This meeting is available on [video](#).