

**BOARD OF FINANCE
PUBLIC HEARING - MAYOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET 2017-2018 and
BOARD OF EDUCATION PROPOSED BUDGET 2017-2018
FEBRUARY 2, 2017**

The Board of Finance held a Public Hearing on Thursday, February 2, 2016 regarding the Mayor's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and the Board of Education's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The meeting was held in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairman Lema called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

Board Members Present

Brian Lema, Chairman
Joseph Fitzpatrick
Joseph Castignoli, Vice Chairman
Mikel Montano
Lauren Secondi

Also Present

Mayor Benjamin G. Blake
Peter Erodici, Finance Director

Chairman Lema called the meeting to order 7:10 p.m. He explained tonight's meeting was the public portion of the budget process regarding the Mayor's proposed budget and the Board of Education's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.budget hearing 17/18. He stated the Board would hear public comment regarding the Mayor's proposed budget, followed by the Board of Education's proposed budget.

Speakers regarding the Mayor's Proposed 2017-2018 budget:

None.

Speakers regarding the Board of Education Proposed 2017-2018 budget:

None.

Mayor Blake stated if questions should arise following this meeting, he suggested the public could speak before the Board of Finance meeting at the end of February and in early March before the Board of Finance recommends its budget to the Board of Aldermen.

Chairman Lema stated before adjourning, he would again invite the public to address the Board with comments or statements regarding either budget.

S. Glennon – 99 Carlson Drive – stated she wished to address the city side of the budget. She asked the Board to support the public library's budget as presented. She spoke of the work the library has done and continues to do. She asked the Board to keep the funds as requested.

Chairman Lema stated the Board would stand in recess until Feb 8, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., at which time the Board would begin hearing presentations from department heads on the city budget.

The Board recessed at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy
Recording Secretary