

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
BUDGET DELIBERATIONS SESSION – FY 2024-2025
PUBLIC HEARING
APRIL 15, 2024**

The Board of Aldermen held a public hearing concerning the Board of Finance’s recommended budget for fiscal year 2024-2025, on Monday, April 15, 2024 in the City Hal Auditorium, 110 River Street. Chairman Vetro called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. asking those present to join in saluting our flag and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll Call

Board Members

M. Arciuolo, II
E. Beatty
B. Bevan
M. Casey
J. Federico
P. Healy
A. Fowler
J. Jenkins
S. Marlow
H. Mulrenan
W. Smith
P. Vetro
R. Vitali
W. Willis

Also Present

Mayor Anthony S. Giannattasio
J. Rosen, Chief of Staff

Excused:

R. Pacelli, Jr.

Chairman Vetro welcomed everyone to the 2024-2025 budget deliberations. He opened the public hearing for comment on the Board of Finance Recommended Budget.

Ellen Montforte spoke concerning the requested increase to the Board of Education budget.

Michael Ranella spoke against increasing the Board of Education budget.

Nick Ricci spoke regarding teacher morale, curriculum, and coaching system.

Ann Berman spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Dan German, 114 Beach Avenue, spoke against increasing the Board of Education budget.

Kelly Cummings, 7 Chapel Street, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Mary Oake, 30 Darina Place, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Caraly Schulze, 100 Sea Flower Road, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Stephanie Kanon, 23 Murray Street, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Ralph Piselli, 1093 West River Street, spoke against increasing the Board of Education budget.

Andrew King, 32 Cedarhurst Lane, spoke against increasing the Board of Education budget.

Michael Rizzo, 12 Snug Harbor Road, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Ahlam Jalil, 478 Roses Mill Road, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Jen Delvecchio, 9 Mill Pond Close, spoke regarding Board of Education spending, staffing and need for more student centric spending.

Christopher Thomas, 8 Argyle Road, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Robin (Last Name Unknown), 1414 Windward Road, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Courtney Higgins, 256 West Main Street, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Megan Delmonte, 86 Walnut Street, spoke in favor of instructional coaches and restoring the Board of Education budget.

Ryan McConnell, 114 Maple Street, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Katrina Snow and Ameila Snow, 41 Beaver Brook Road, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Jay Shannon, 43 Foran Road, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Cathy Berni, 96 Centennial Drive, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Kim Rihel, 13 Chaucer Court, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Skye Cornell, 14 Bonsilene Street, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Nancy Dunn, 47 Pamela Drive, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Sara Bromley, 27 Norway Street, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Marianne Jensen, 1001 Naugatuck Avenue, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Katherine Lutz, 178 Anderson Avenue, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Mike Andreychik, 42 Darina Place, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Abby Heagney, 60 Wildwood Avenue, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Auggie Harrigan, 107 Oronoque Road, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Pete Smith, 65 Old Field Lane, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Theresa Eke, 47 Point Beach Driver, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Laura Dundas, 45 Carrington Avenue, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Kara Flannery, 41 North Street, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Julianna Dawson, 72 Lamplight Lane, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

Maureen Miller, 11 Plymouth Place, spoke in favor of restoring the Board of Education budget.

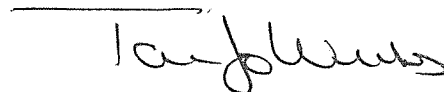
Pam Pilla, 370 , spoke in favor of Public Library budget request.

Chris Thomas, 8 Argyle Road, spoke in favor of the City budget.

Ald. Bevan and Ald. Arciuolo moved and seconded to recess until April 17, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board recessed at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Toni Jo Weeks
Recording Secretary