

The Regular Meeting of the 31st Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held on Monday, February 3, 2025, at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, 4th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut. This meeting will also be held remotely and will be accessible by computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81470541826> or at www.zoom.com – Webinar ID: 814 7054 1826 or by telephone at 1-646-558-8656 Webinar ID: 814 7054 1826.

Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in this meeting, should contact the City's ADA Coordinator as soon as possible:
Carmen Hughes, Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, (203) 977-7993,
Email: CHughes1@StamfordCT.gov.

AGENDA

INVOCATION: To be delivered by Representative Bobby Pavia [17th 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:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE:

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

Meeting: Monday, January 13, 2025
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

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

Denis W. Patterson, Chair

Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair

Meeting: Wednesday, January 29, 2025

6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by
webinar

The following items are on the Consent Agenda: Item Nos. 3 through 7 and Item Nos. 9, 11 through 13.

1. [A31.160](#) **ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption;**
Establishing the Order in which Expirations and
Vacancies are Filled on Boards and Commissions.
(please refer to A31.124 for history).
11/07/24 – Submitted by Rep. Stella and Sherwood
11/19/24 – Approved by Committee 5-0-0
12/02/24 – Approved for publication 23-10-1
12/09/24 – Moved to Pending
01/29/25 – Approved as amended by Committee 7-1-0

2. A31.171 **School Building Committee**
Jackie Heftman (D) *Repl. King (D) Exp. 12/1/2021*
Stamford, CT 06903
Term Expires: 12/1/2025
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 4-3-1

3. A31.174 **Police Commission**
Carlo Leone (D) *Repl. Findeisen (D) 11/30/2025*
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 11/30/2025
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0

4. A31.161 **Golf Commission**
Angelo Ripegno (R) *Repl. Vera (R) Exp. 12/1/23*
Term Expires: 12/1/2027
12/04/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
12/17/24 – No Action Taken
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0

5. A31.164 **Golf Commission**
Myron Smith (D) *Repl. Tedesco (D) Exp. 12/1/2021*
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 12/1/2027
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0

6. A31.165 **Golf Commission**
Michael Briscoe (D) *Reappointment*
Stamford, CT 06907

Term Expires: 12/1/2025
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0

7. A31.166

Environmental Protection Board

Laura Tessier (D) *Reappointment*

Stamford, CT 06903

Term Expires: 12/1/2025

1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons

01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0

8. A31.167

Environmental Protection Board

Stephen Schneider (D) *Repl. Ley (D) Exp. 12/1/2021*

Stamford, CT 06902

Term Expires: 12/1/2027

1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons

01/29/25 – No Action Taken

9. A31.168

Economic Development Commission

Beth Fraikorn (D) *Repl. Diamond (D) Exp. 12/1/2013*

Stamford, CT 06903

Term Expires: 12/1/2025

1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons

01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0

10. A31.169

Economic Development Commission

Richard Evanko (R) *Repl. Feeney (R) Exp. 12/1/2022*

Stamford, CT 06907

Term Expires: 12/1/2025

1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons

01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-1-0

11. A31.170

Urban Redevelopment Commission

Richard Evanko (R) *Reappointment*

Stamford, CT 06907

Term Expires: 12/1/2027

1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons

01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-1

12. A31.172

Patriotic and Special Events Commission

Thomas Bouchard (I) *Repl. Kaplan (D) Exp. 12/1/20*

Stamford, CT 06902

Term Expires: 12/1/2026

1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons

01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0

13. A31.173

Harbor Management Commission

John Malloy (D) *Repl. W. Malloy (D) Exp. 12/1/22*

Stamford, CT 06907

Term Expires: 12/1/2025

1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons

01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

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

Sean Boeger, Co-Chair

Mary Fedeli, Co-Chair

Meeting: Monday, January 27, 2025

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

The following items are on the Consent Agenda: Item Nos. 1 through 7.

1. [F31.497](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
\$1,250,000.00 Project: 001424; Stamford Bioswales Initiative;
Operations, Stormwater Management; The City of
Stamford Bioswales Initiative will expand the footprint of
green infrastructure through the City; the Intent of this
project is to protect and improve ecological and human
health.
12/16/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
12/17/24 – Approved by the Planning Board
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0

2. [F31.498](#) RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for FY24/25
by adding an appropriation of \$1,250,000.00 for the
Stamford Bioswales Initiative and authorize \$250,000.00
General Obligation bonds of the City to meet said
appropriation.
12/16/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0

3. [F31.499](#) GRANT RESOLUTION; Authorizing the mayor to enter
into and sign agreements with the Environmental
Protection Agency (EPA) for the Stamford Bioswales
Initiative Project
12/16/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0

4. [F31.500](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget);
\$48,554.00 Stamford Police Department; JAG 24 Overtime for First
Responder Training on how to work with veterans in
mental distress.
12/13/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 7-0-1

5. [F31.501](#) GRANT RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to sign an

Agreement with the Department of Justice.
12/13/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0

6. [F31.502](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Grants
\$1,091,949.00 Dept: State EOC; Child Day Care Administration, Grant
Award was larger than anticipated
12/27/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0

7. F31.503 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Grants
\$339,296.00 Dept: State EOC; Child Day Care Administration, Grant
Award was larger than anticipated
12/27/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0

**LEGISLATIVE & RULES
COMMITTEE:**

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

Phil Berns, Chair

Sean Boeger, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 28, 2025

7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

1. LR31.091 ORDINANCE for discussion; on banning the sale,
provision, and distribution of single use plastic products in
food and beverage establishments.
01/06/25 – Submitted by Reps. Camporeale, Cottrell and
de la Cruz
01/28/25 – Recommitted to Steering

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

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

Mary Fedeli, Chair

Bobby Pavia, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 2025

7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

The following item is on the Consent Agenda: **Item No. 1**

1. [P31.064](#) ORDINANCE for publication; Amending Chapter 40 of the
Code of Ordinances, to add Article LV, Sections 40-199
through 40-202 - Director of Emergency Communications
Center
12/20/24 – Submitted by Director Paula Russell
01/21/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0

2. P31.065 APPROVAL; of an employment agreement with Brian Faughnan for Director of Emergency Communications Center for the City of Stamford
01/06/25 – Submitted by Director Paula Russell
01/21/25 – Held by Committee 8-0-0

**LAND USE/URBAN
REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**
[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
[Minutes](#) & [Video](#)

Nina Sherwood, Co-Chair
Carmine Tomas, Co-Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, January 22, 2025
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

The following items are on the Consent Agenda: Item Nos. 1 and 2

1. [LU31.048](#) RESOLUTION for public Hearing; renaming a portion of Ursula Place as Courtney Way.
11/21/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
12/09/24 – Held at Steering
01/22/25 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0
2. [LU31.049](#) APPROVAL; of an agreement between the City of Stamford and KUCERA International Inc. for Geographic Information system (GIS) aerial mapping to provide high resolution GIS orthophotography and planimetric data capture
12/20/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0
(amount adjusted to \$197,500.00)
01/22/25 – Approved by Committee 9-0-1
3. [LU31.043](#) REVIEW; Widening of Garden Street between Henry Street and Dock Street.
08/12/24 – Submitted by Rep. Adams
08/21/24 – Recommitted to Steering 8-0-0
09/18/24 – Held by Committee
10/24/24 – Recommitted to Steering 11-0-0
11/20/24 – Recommitted to Steering 8-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering
01/22/25 – Recommitted to Steering 10-0-0
4. LU31.050 REVIEW; of the CT HB No. 5474 – specifically in regards to reviewing a “new” State law passed on October 1, 2024 explicitly authorizing municipalities, by vote of their legislative bodies to adopt an ordinance regulating the operation and use of short-term rental properties.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Rep. Graham
01/22/25 – Recommitted to Steering 10-0-0

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)

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

Virgil de la Cruz, Chair

Carmine Tomas, Vice Chair

Meeting: Thursday, January 23, 2025

6:30 p.m. – By Webinar

1. [O31.018](#) REVIEW; West Main Street Bridge.
08/03/22 – Submitted by Director Quinones
08/15/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee 7-0-0
09/12/22 – Moved to Pending
12/29/22 –Held by Committee 9-0-0
01/09/23 – Moved to Pending
10/16/23 – Report Made and Recommitted to Steering by
Committee 5-0-0
11/20/23 – Recommitted to Steering by Committee 9-0-0
12/11/23 – Moved to Pending
09/16/24 – Recommitted to Steering 7-0-0
10/21/24 – Recommitted to Steering 6-0-0
11/18/24 – Recommitted to Steering 6-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering

2. O31.056 REVIEW; Status of Cedar Heights Road Bridge.
05/07/24 – Submitted by Rep. Berns
05/20/24 – Recommitted to Steering 8-0-0
06/17-24 – No Action Taken
07/15/24 – Held at Steering
08/12/24 – Held at Steering
09/16/24 – Recommitted to Steering 7-0-0
10/21/24 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
11/18/24 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering

3. O31.061 REVIEW; schedule of Street Cleaning on the West Side of
Stamford.
10/10/24 – Submitted by Rep. Walson
10/21/24 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
11/18/24 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering
01/23/25 – Final Report Made 9-0-0

4. [O31.038](#) REVIEW; Status of plans to replace multiple gas fired HVAC units with fewer heat pumps units and installation of solar panels on the roof of the Yerwood Community Center.
 10/05/23 – Submitted by Rep. de la Cruz
 10/16/23 – Report Made and Recommitted to Steering by Committee 5-0-0
 11/13/23 – Moved to Pending
 01/17/24 – Held by Committee
 02/26/24 – Report Made & Recommitted to Steering by Committee 7-2-0
 03/11/24 – Held at Steering
 04/15/24 – Report Made
 05/06/24 – Recommitted to Steering by Full Board
 05/13/24 – Moved to Pending
 10/21/24 – Recommitted to Steering 6-0-0
 11/18/24 – Recommitted to Steering 6-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering

5. O31.063 REVIEW; Boccuzzi Park Master Plan Implementation including: Status of Phase 1- components completed and expenditure to date; Remaining Phase 1 components and cost estimate; Detailed scope of Vitti Phase 1D contract, cost, payments to date, source of funding, work completed to date, and estimated completion date; Available funding at this time and sources; Phase 2 components and cost estimates; Replacement of dilapidated fence between private back yards and park grounds; Projected time to completion of Master Plan Implementation.
 01/07/25 – Submitted by Rep. de la Cruz

6. O31.066 REVIEW; of a flooding incident at the Lathon Wider Center on Henry Street
 01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Graham and Adams

7. O31.067 REVIEW; Funding sources for Capital Budget item CP9238; Yerwood Center Renovations; Operations: Engineering; Building interior renovations; structural repairs and improvements.
 01/08/25 – Submitted by Rep. de la Cruz

**PUBLIC SAFETY &
HEALTH COMMITTEE:**

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

Jeffrey Stella, Chair

Eric Morson, Vice Chair

Meeting: Thursday, January 30, 2025

6:30 p.m. – By Webinar

1. PS31.061 REVIEW; Need for more Park Police
 01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – No Action Taken

2. PS31.049 REVIEW; Park Police Staffing and Park Enforcement for 2024
12/06/23 - Submitted by Reps. Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – No Action Taken

As a Secondary Committee: Parks and Recreation

3. PS31.062 REVIEW; High speed Driving/Street racing by highly modified vehicles in the City of Stamford and what can we do to address it.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – No Action Taken
4. PS31.063 REVIEW; of warming centers and their policies on accepting animals.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Camporeale, Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – Report Made
5. PS31.064 REVIEW; hunting regulations within Stamford, including clarification on whether hunting with firearms is permitted and the process for granting hunting permissions on private properties.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Camporeale Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – Report Made
6. 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
08/24/23 – No Action Taken
09/21/23 – Report Made & Recommitted to Steering, 6-0-1
10/26/23- Report Made and Recommitted to Steering 5-0-0
11/13/23 – Moved to Pending
10/30/24 – Recommitted to Steering 7-0-0
11/12/24 – Moved to Pending
01/30/25 – No Action Taken

**PARKS & RECREATION
COMMITTEE:**

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

Jennifer Matheny, Chair
Daniel R. Sandford, Vice Chair
Meeting: Monday, January 27, 2025
7:00 p.m. –By webinar

The following item is on the Consent Agenda: **Item No. 1**

1. PR31.040 REVIEW AND APPROVAL; Of the Stamford Little League's proposal to upgrade scoreboards at Scalzi and Springdale Park fields.
01/08/25 – Submitted By Rep. Matheny
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 4-0-0

2. PR31.039 REVIEW; of Scalzi Park quality of life concerns, to include: Park hours modification; Feasibility and cost estimate of installing a gate at the entrance/exit of park; Install multilingual signs indicating park regulations; Feasibility and cost estimate to add additional traffic calming methods
01/08/25 – Submitted By Reps. Matheny, Curtis and Moore
01/27/25 – Recommitted to Steering

3. [PR31.031](#) REVIEW; Parking Practices at Scalzi Park.
03/07/24– Submitted by Rep. Moore
04/18/24 – Recommitted to Steering 5-0-0
05/13/24 – Moved to Pending
01/27/25 – Recommitted to Steering

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

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

Megan Cottrell, Chair
Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair
Meeting: Thursday, January 30, 2025
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

1. E31.042 REVIEW; status of the high school flexible schedule for next school year.
01/07/25 – Submitted by Rep. Cottrell

2. E31.043 REVIEW; overview of the highlights of the FY25-26 Board of Education budget.
01/07/25 – Submitted by Rep. Cottrell

3. [E31.044](#) REVIEW; Powerschool systems breach of 12/28/24: its potential impact on the personal information of Stamford students, families and educators, and SPS' review and response to the incident.
01/08/255 – Submitted by Rep. Williams

4. E31.041 REVIEW; status of free lunch program
10/31/24 – Submitted by T. Lucero and R. Fealey
11/12/24 – Moved to Pending

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

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

Mavina Moore, Co-Chair

Rob Roqueta, Co-Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 28, 2025
6:30 p.m. – By Webinar

1. [HCD31.071](#) REJECTION; an Allocation of \$400,000.00 to New Neighborhoods, Inc. for the addition of six new units of affordable housing at Martin Luther King, Jr. Apartments.
12/13/24 – Submitted by R. Blessings
01/28/25 – Rejection Failed in Committee 0-5-0
2. HCD31.035 REVIEW; Homeowner/Small Landlord Rehabilitation Program.
02/13/23 – Submitted by Reps. Baxter and Campbell
03/28/23 –Held by Committee
04/25/23 –Held by Committee
05/23/23 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
07/10/23 – Moved to Pending
01/23/24 – Held by Committee 4-0-0
02/12/24 – Held by Steering Committee
01/28/25 – Held in Committee 4-0-0
3. HCD31.062 REVIEW; Potential Workforce Housing for Stamford Residents and Employees
07/02/24 – Submitted by Reps. Pavia and Sherwood
08/12/24 – Moved to Pending
01/28/25 – Report Made

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

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

David Watkins, Chair

Terry Adams, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 2025
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

The following item is on the Consent Agenda: Item No. 1

1. [T31.039](#) APPROVAL; of an Agreement between the City of Stamford and the BETA Group for ADA Public Rights of Way Facilities Inventory, Accessibility Review, and Transition Plan.
12/10/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/21/25 – Approved by Committee 5-0-0

