

The Steering Committee of the 32nd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford met on Monday, March 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was held remotely.

MINUTES OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE

Pres. Shaw called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

In attendance were President Shaw, and Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary. Also present were Reps. de la Cruz, Walston and Weathers. Rep. Johnson was absent/excused.

Prior to starting the agenda, Pres. Shaw made 3 announcements:

1. The Transportation Committee would be moving the remainder of its 2026 monthly meetings to the third (3rd) Monday of the month. These meetings will be noticed as special meetings for the rest of the year.
2. Due to the budget presentation schedule, please be mindful of the volume of submitted items and try and prioritize submitting time-sensitive items during this time.
3. The creation of a Board of Education Liaison from the Board of Representatives, to better collaborate with the Board of Education. The Board member appointed will provide monthly reports to the Board of Representatives. Rep. Lapine was selected and announced as the Board of Education Liaison.

BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES MEETING AGENDA

The Regular Meeting of the 32nd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held on Monday, April 6, 2026.

INVOCATION: To be delivered by _____ (District 10)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: To be led by President Shaw

ROLL CALL: To be conducted by Clerk Johnson

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

COMMUNICATIONS: To be read by Clerk Johnson

HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:

1. **RESOLUTION**; Honoring Melissa Mulrooney for her 20 years as CEO of Stamford Museum & Nature Center on the occasion of her retirement.
03/09/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Weinberg **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**

Pres. Shaw called on Rep. Weinberg to move his item to the April Agenda, which was seconded, and passed via unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE

Meeting: Monday, March 9, 2026
7:00 p.m. – by webinar

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Steven Shore, Co-Chair
Felix Gardner, Co-Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, March 25, 2026
6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by webinar

1. A32.020 **Board of Assessment Appeals**
Larry Ginsberg (D) *Reappointment*
Term Expires: 12/1/2028
2/27/2026 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**
2. A31.021 **Board of Assessment Appeals**
James Fleischer (D) *Reappointment*
Term Expires: 12/1/2028
2/27/2026 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons **MOVED TO PENDING**
3. A31.022 **Zoning Board**
Jerry Bosak (D) *Reappointment* Term Expires:
12/1/2028
2/27/2026 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**
4. A31.023 **Zoning Board**
Keith Walker (D) *Repl. Knopoff (U) 12/1/2024*
Term Expires: 12/1/2027
2/27/2026 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**
5. A31.024 **Planning Board**
Chet Salit (D) *Repl. Tepper (D) 12/1/2026*
Term Expires: 12/1/2026
2/27/2026 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**

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| 6. A31.025 | Planning Board (Alternate)
Drew McKay (I) <i>Repl. Quick (D) 12/1/2018</i>
Term Expires: 12/1/2027
2/27/2026 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons | PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA |
| 7. A31.026 | Planning Board (Alternate)
Ashley Ley (D) <i>Repl. Levin (D) 12/1/2025</i>
Term Expires: 12/1/2028
2/27/2026 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons | PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA |
| 8. A31.027 | Parks and Recreation
Shrya Nadella (U) <i>Repl. Hollas (D) 12/1/2025</i>
Term Expires: 12/1/2028
2/27/2026 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons | PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA |

Chair Gardner confirmed the meeting date, time and method. A motion to place item Nos. 1 and 3 through 8 on the April Agenda was made, seconded and approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved). Chair Gardner then moved Item No. 2 to the Pending Agenda.

FISCAL COMMITTEE

Eric Morson, Co-Chair

Andrew Zachary, Co-Chair

Meeting: Monday, March 23, 2026

~~7:00~~ **6:30** p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by webinar

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| 1. F32.043
\$50,945.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (OPERATING);
Law Department: to appropriate funds from contingency to pay current year wage settlements that were recently agreed upon via a tentative agreement between the City and the Attorneys Union
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
02/12/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 4-2-0
02/23/2026 – Recommitted to Steering by Committee 8-0-0 | MOVED TO
PENDING |
| 2. F32.053
\$50,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (OPERATING);
Mayor's Office/Stamford Boys and Girls Club (location: Yerwood Center) : amount from Contingency Mayor / Contracted Services to cover two months of lost rental income resulting from the City's need to evict tenants due to asbestos abatement.
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons | PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA |
| 3. F32.054 | RESOLUTION; With Respect To the Authorization, Issuance and Sale Of Not Exceeding \$65,000,000 City Of Stamford General Obligation Refunding Bonds | PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA |

- 02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
4. [F32.055](#) **RESOLUTION;** Authorizing The Mayor to Enter into and Sign Agreements with The Connecticut Division Of Emergency Management And Homeland Security (DEMHS) For the City Of Stamford Cybersecurity Navigator/Risk Manager Project
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

 5. [F32.056](#) **RESOLUTION;** Authorizing The Mayor to Enter into And Sign Agreements with The CT Division Of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) For the City Of Stamford - Implement Endpoint Detection and Response (XDR) Project.
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

 6. [F32.057](#) **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL);**
\$2,500,000.00 Project: CP4000091 - Lathon Wider Community Center Renovations-capital improvements-Fund Source: Private Contributions and Federal Grant
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

 7. [F32.058](#) **RESOLUTION;** Authorizing The Mayor To Enter into and Sign Agreements with The Department Of Housing And Urban Development (HUD) For Lathon Wider Project.
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

 8. [F32.059](#) **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (GRANT);**
\$75,000.00 Community Dev Program Funds - to support outreach and community engagement for free public Wi-Fi at the Lathon Wider Community Center and Cove Island Park, including activation and digital connectivity assistance (no new City funding required)
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

 9. [F32.060](#) **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (GRANT);**
\$86,308.00 Emergency Communications Ctr - 911 Telecommunications - to cover the salary of 4 public safety dispatchers
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

 10. [F32.061](#) **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (GRANT);**
\$156,200.00 Technology Management Services-funds awarded to hire a cybersecurity consultant to lead cybersecurity risk management efforts
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

Co-Chair Zachary confirmed the meeting date, time and method. A motion to place Item Nos. 1 and through 10 on the April Agenda was made, seconded and during discussion, a motion to amend Item No. 2's description to include (**Location: Yerwood Center**) was made, seconded,

and approved via unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

The original motion to move Item Nos. 1 through 10 was then amended to move Item Nos. 2 through 10 to the April Agenda. The amended motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved). Co-Chair Zachary then moved Item No. 1 to the Pending Agenda.

****Please note:*** after the committee adjourned, a time conflict for the regular meeting was noted when checking against the Budget Presentation schedule. As such, the start time for the Fiscal Committee's regular meeting has been updated to **6:30 p.m.**

**LEGISLATIVE AND RULES
COMMITTEE**

Michael McKeown, Chair
Karen Camporeale, Vice-Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, March 24, 2026
~~7:00~~ **6:00** p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by
webinar

(Late Submission)

1. [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

**PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

Chair McKeown confirmed the meeting date, date, method and noted the time change from 7:00 pm to 6:00 pm. A motion to consider the late submission of LR32.016 was made, seconded, and approved via a unanimous roll call vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

A motion was made to place Item No. 1 on the April Agenda, was seconded, and during discussion it was suggested to add Appointments as the secondary committee. Pres. Shaw agreed to this. The motion was then approved via unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Carl Weinberg, Chair
Bobby Pavia, Vice-Chair
Meeting: Monday, March 16, 2026
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by webinar

1. [P32.003](#) **REVIEW;** of the City's HR policies and programs (including the classification systems, employee benefit programs, and/or post-retirement benefit programs) for the education of Personnel Committee members.

**PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

12/03/2025 – Submitted by Rep. Weinberg
12/08/2025 – Moved to Pending agenda
02/17/2026 – Report made (on PayPlan portion) and held

Chair Weinberg confirmed the meeting date, time and method. A motion to place item No. 1 on the April Agenda was made, seconded and approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

LAND USE & URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Glenn Price, Co-Chair
Ryan Hughes, Co-Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, March 18, 2026
7:00 p.m. – by webinar

1. [LU32.006](#) **RESOLUTION**; Accepting Pembroke Drive as a city street by property owners pending certification by the City Engineer that Pembroke Drive meets the qualifications for acceptance.
03/03/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Weinberg **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**

Co-Chair Price confirmed the meeting date, time and method. A motion to place item No. 1 on the April Agenda was made, seconded and approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

OPERATIONS, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Dan Sandford, Chair
John Pelliccia, Vice-Chair
Meeting: Thursday, March 19, 2026
~~7:00~~ **6:00** p.m. – By webinar

1. [OPR32.002](#) **RESOLUTION for public hearing and final adoption**; concerning building permit fees on Commercial Projects exceeding \$1,000,000.00 (orig. [O32.001](#))
12/03/2025 – Submitted by Reps. Boudreau, Goldberg and Hughes
12/08/2025 – Moved to Pending Agenda
01/22/2026 – Recommitted to Steering 8-0-0
02/19/2026 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0
03/02/2026 – Approved as amended for public hearing by unanimous voice vote **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**
2. [OPR32.003](#) **ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption**; Amending Chapter 214 of the Code of Ordinances, Concerning Excavation Permits, Enforcement, Administrative Fees, and Cost Recovery.
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Director Matt Quiñones
02/19/2026 – Amending Chapters 214-29. 214-30 and 214-31 approved by Committee 8-0-0 **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**

03/02/2026 – Approved as amended for public hearing by unanimous voice vote

3. [OPR32.006](#) **APPROVAL**; of an Agreement between the City of Stamford and Wendel Energy Services for Streetlight Audit LED Conversion Plan Development and Construction Administration (RFP 2026.0063)
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**
4. [OPR32.007](#) **RESOLUTION**; to establish a commercial building permit fee exemption for qualifying grocery stores located downtown and in the South End.
03/04/2026 – Submitted by Reps. Hughes, Gardner, Graham, Johnson, Pelliccia, and Sylvestre **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**

Chair Sandford confirmed the meeting date, method and noted the time change from 7:00 pm to 6:00 pm. A motion to place item Nos. 1 through 4 on the April Agenda was made, seconded and after brief discussion, was approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH COMMITTEE

Tom Bouchard, Chair
Terry Adams, Vice-Chair
Meeting: Thursday, March 26, 2026
6:30 p.m. – By webinar

1. PS32.004 **REVIEW**; of Security and Public Safety Conditions at the Abandoned Building Located at 200 Henry Street.
03/04/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Adams **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**
2. PS32.005 **REVIEW**; Overview of the Stamford Police Fire Department.
02/26/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Bouchard **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**

Chair Bouchard confirmed the meeting date, time and method. A motion to amend the description of item No. 1 to remove “Police” and replace it with “Fire” was made, seconded, and was approved via unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

A motion to place Item Nos. 1 and 2 on the April Agenda was made, seconded and after brief discussion, was approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING, EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES, STATE & COMMERCE (C.H.E.S.S.) COMMITTEE

Maureen Pollack, Co-Chair
Stephanie Sylvestre, Co-Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, March 17, 2026
6:30 p.m. – **Democratic Caucus Room** and by webinar

1. [CHESS32.003](#) **APPROVAL;** DBI Projects, LLC Contract for Owner's Representative Services at Rippowam Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Project (RFQ/RFP No. 2026.0015)
02/27/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

2. [CHESS32.004](#) **APPROVAL;** of a proposed contract with Arcadis U.S., Inc. for owner's representative services at the Newfield Elementary School Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Project
02/27/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

3. [CHESS32.005](#) **RESOLUTION;** Authorizing a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) for the Roxbury School Construction Project
03/03/2026 – Submitted by Director Quiñones **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

4. CHESS32.006 **REVIEW;** CDBG Program Review: Overview of the CDBG Process, the CHES Committee's role and responsibilities, and the potential Program Year 52 calendar
03/03/2026 – Submitted by Moira Sawch **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

5. CHESS32.007 **REVIEW;** of State Legislation – Connecticut House Bill 5283 regarding municipal authority to prohibit the retail sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet shops.
03/04/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Pollack **PLACE ON
APRIL AGENDA**

6. [CHESS32.008](#) **RESOLUTION;** Endorsing Senate Bill 257 relating to housing and Calling Upon the Connecticut General Assembly To Pass It Or Materially Similar Legislation
03/03/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Boudreau **MOVED TO
PENDING**

7. [CHESS32.009](#) **RESOLUTION;** Endorsing Senate Bill 151 relating to housing and Calling Upon the Connecticut General Assembly To Pass It Or Materially Similar Legislation
03/03/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Boudreau **MOVED TO
PENDING**

8. [CHESS32.010](#) **RESOLUTION;** Endorsing House Bill 5260 relating to housing and Calling Upon the Connecticut General Assembly To Pass It Or Materially Similar Legislation
03/03/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Boudreau **MOVED TO
PENDING**

Co-Chair Pollack confirmed the meeting date, time and method. She also advised that moving forward she wants all C.H.E.S.S. meetings to be held as hybrid. A motion to place item Nos. 1 through 5 (in the order of: Item 4, 1, 2, 3, 5) on the April Agenda was made, seconded and after

discussion, was approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved). Item Nos. 6 through 8 were moved to the Pending agenda.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Jeff Wirz, Chair
Scott Stone, Vice-Chair
Meeting: Monday, March 16, 2026
6:30 p.m. – By webinar

1. [T32.003](#) **ORDINANCE for publication;** To dissolve the Stamford Transit District per Section 59-8 of the Code of Ordinances. **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**
03/03/2026 – Submitted by Director Quiñones

Chair Wirz confirmed the meeting date, time and method. A motion to place item No. 1 on the April Agenda was made, seconded and approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

MINUTES

1. **APPROVAL;** March 2, 2026, Regular Board Meeting **PLACE ON APRIL AGENDA**
[Minutes](#)

A motion to place Item No. 1 on the March Agenda was made, seconded and approved by a unanimous voice vote (Pres. Shaw, Vice-Chair Morson and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Bouchard, Camporeale, Gardner, Hughes, McKeown, Pollack, Price, Sandford, Shore, Sylvestre, Weinberg, Wirz and Zachary approved).

PENDING AGENDA

[To be reviewed during January, April, July, and October Steering Committee meetings]

Honorary Resolutions:

Appointments Committee:

Fiscal Committee:

Legislative & Rules Committee:

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| 1. LR32.011 | REVIEW; Ordinance for discussion of a revised comprehensive tree ordinance.
01/05/2026 – Submitted by Rep. Camporeale and Weinberg
01/27/2026 – Recommitted to Steering by Committee 9-0-0
02/02/2026 – Recommitted to Steering via unanimous voice vote
02/09/2026 – Placed on Pending Agenda | REMAIN ON
PENDING
AGENDA |
| 2. LR32.014 | ORDINANCE for publication; Requiring notice of AI-Enabled Biometric Technology Use in Places of public Accommodation
01/27/2026 – Submitted by Reps. Hughes and Camporeale
02/09/2026 – Placed on Pending Agenda | REMAIN ON
PENDING
AGENDA |

Personnel:

Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee:

Operations, Parks and Recreation Committee:

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| 1. OPR32.004 | REVIEW; of the Parks & Recreation Commission update on making swimming a priority in Stamford, including swimming-related infrastructure needs
02/03/2026 – Submitted by Melanie Hollas
02/09/2026 – Placed on Pending Agenda | REMAIN ON
PENDING
AGENDA |
| 2. OPR32.005 | REVIEW; of the ongoing effort to zone City-owned park properties as “Parks,” including pending submissions for two (2) properties for consideration at the next Planning Board meeting, and providing background, the importance of the effort, and next steps.
02/03/2026 – Submitted by Melanie Hollas
02/09/2026 – Placed on Pending Agenda | REMAIN ON
PENDING
AGENDA |

Community Development, Housing, Education, Social Services, State & Commerce (C.H.E.S.S.) Committee:

Transportation Committee:

President Shaw called for a motion to adjourn, which was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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