

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTABILITY REVIEW BOARD (MARB)

SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA *& Minutes*
Ad-Hoc MARB Hartford Budget and Recovery Plan Review Committee

Date: Friday, May 18, 2018, 10:00 AM to Noon

Location: Hartford City Hall, Green Room, Room 100, 1st Floor, 550 Main Street, Hartford, CT

Agenda & Minutes

Members in Attendance: *Secretary Barnes, Bill Cochran, Larry Wilson, Bart Shuldman (by telephone), Patrick Egan*

City and Board Staff in Attendance: *Mayor Bronin, Council President Glendowlyn Thames, Melissa McCaw, Leigh Ann Ralls, Howard Rifkin, Bob Dakers, Alison Fisher, Mike Sullivan, Riju Das*

- I. Call to Order & Opening Remarks **Secretary Barnes called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM**
- II. Review and Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2018 Meeting-**Moved and Approved**
- III. Review, Discussion and Possible Action re Recommendation re City's FY19 Budget, **Council President Thames reviewed the changes made to the Mayor's proposed FY19 budget by the Common Council during their session yesterday. These changes will be sent to the Mayor for his approval or veto. Melissa McCaw reviewed the material provided to committee members regarding property taxes, state revenues, health insurance, salaries and overtime and other items in in the Mayor's FY19 budget. Mayor Bronin and Ms. McCaw responded to questions from members. Once the City completes work on the budget during the next week or so, the budget will be forwarded to the full MARB. The committee then made the following recommendations for the City and full MARB's consideration:**

1. **Motion: The Committee recommends to the full Municipal Accountability Review Board, with respect to the City's annual budget for Fiscal Year 2019, that it approve the State aid and property tax collection revenue amounts as presented in the Mayor's Recommended Budget for Fiscal Year 2019, with the following exceptions: 1) the Mayor's Recommended Budget amounts for State revenues shall be amended, as appropriate, to reflect SB 543 as adopted by the State General Assembly and 2) the amount included for Prior Year Levies related to property taxes shall be reduced by \$1.0 million.**

The motion was made by Larry Wilson and seconded by Mark Waxenberg. The motion carried unanimously.

2. **Motion: The Committee recommends to the full Municipal Accountability Review Board (MARB) that it approve, as the City's annual budget for Fiscal Year 2019, the Mayor's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2019, as it may be amended by adjustments made on May 17, 2018 by the Common Council, provided that such annual budget is amended to reflect the State revenue and property tax collection amounts recommended by the Committee and approved by the full MARB and that any net increase associated with such approved amounts are appropriated to Pay-Go Capital Expenditures, Contingency, Fund Balance, or Pension.**

The motion was made by Mark Waxenberg and seconded by Larry Wilson. The motion carried with 4 votes in support of the motion (Secretary Ben Barnes, Larry Wilson, Mark Waxenberg, and Patrick Egan), and 1 vote against (Bart Shuldman).

IV. Questions and Comments- ***None***

V. Adjourn-***The Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:50 AM***