



# Committee on Finance

August 27, 2009 – 7:00 pm – **Agenda**  
City Council Chamber, Room 214 – Municipal Building

## View Minutes

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1. Communication, DPI Commissioner Ronald Labelle, to Chairperson of the Finance Committee Councillor Gonsalves, re: Ben Rose Appropriation, and submitting for review an outline of every value expended through the Urban Self Help Grant, as well as the corresponding City share. (7/16/09)

***INVITEES: DPI Commissioner Ronald Labelle***

2. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting FOUR LOAN ORDERS regarding school construction; the first Order RESCINDS portions of authorized, but unissued, debt relating to Normandin Middle, Keith Middle, Winslow Elementary, Campbell Elementary, DeValles Elementary and Brooks Elementary Schools; also submitting three separate LOAN ORDERS APPROPRIATING additional amounts for the Lincoln Elementary, Hannigan School and Sea Lab. NOTE: The Order relative to the HANNIGAN SCHOOL changes the purpose of the borrowing from remodeling of the existing school to THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SCHOOL AT THE SAME SITE. (Ref'd 5/14/09, tabled 6/23/09 – Invite Katherine Craven to next meeting)

***INVITEES: School Department's Chief Administrator of Finance & Operations Lawrence Oliveira; Chief of Staff William Burns; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Treasurer Renee Fernandes-Abbott; Massachusetts School Building Authority(MBSA)Executive Director Katherine Craven***

3. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, RESCINDING amounts of authorized, but unissued, debt for LOAN ORDERS for Normandin and Keith Middle Schools (\$5,642,803); Winslow Elementary School (\$16,000,000); Campbell Elementary/Middle School (\$45,700,000); DeValles Elementary School (\$10,680,000); and Brooks Elementary School (\$20,766,800). (Ref'd 5/14/09, tabled 6/23/09 - Invite Katherine Craven to next meeting)
- 3a. AN ORDER, (Rescinding borrowing amounts of authorized, but unissued, debt on LOAN ORDERS FOR 6 SCHOOLS)

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4. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, that the Order of the City Council authorizing borrowing \$3,000,000 for constructing, equipping and furnishing an addition to and remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the Hannigan School, is AMENDED to APPROPRIATE \$18,500,000, for constructing, equipping and furnishing a NEW Hannigan School on the site of the existing school, including the demolition of such existing school. (Ref'd 5/14/09, tabled 6/23/09- Invite Katherine Craven to next meeting)
- 4a. AN ORDER, (Amending 1 LOAN ORDER for Hannigan School)(Ref'd 5/14/09)

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5. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, that, in addition to the \$26,105,000 amount previously appropriated \$2,966,800 is APPROPRIATED for constructing, equipping and furnishing a NEW Abraham Lincoln Elementary School. (Ref'd 5/14/09, tabled 6/23/09 - Invite Katherine Craven to next meeting)

5a. AN ORDER, (Amending 1 LOAN ORDER for Lincoln School)(Ref'd 5/14/09)

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6. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, that, in addition to the \$8,500,000 previously appropriated \$5,387,860 is APPROPRIATED for the purpose of constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a SeaLab facility at the former Poor Farm site. (Ref'd 5/14/09, tabled 6/23/09 - Invite Katherine Craven to next meeting)

6a. AN ORDER, (Amending 1 LOAN ORDER for the Sea Lab Facility) (Ref'd 5/14/09)

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7. COMMUNICATION/VETO, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting a VETO of RELATED MOTION, #0001259, by Councillor Gonsalves, "Asking that the City Council send a letter to the City Auditor to ask him to cite which language in the Bond lists the expenses for the purposes of the field house in accordance with Section 10-26 of the City Code, which further would advise him that he is required by law to report to the City Council Committee on Finance and the Mayor any appropriations which are misappropriated in the course of the expenditure of that Bond if that expense not specifically mentioned." ADOPTED and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 9, Nays 2, IN CITY COUNCIL, JUNE 25, 2009, and presented to the Mayor for approval on June 29, 2009, stating reason for the veto is that, Section 10-26 provides for notice to the Committee on Audit only when the City Auditor determines that the liabilities against any appropriation appear to be for purposes other than those set forth in the appropriation (in the judgment of the City Auditor) and, in this case, the Auditor did not determine that liabilities incurred against any appropriation appear to be for purposes other than those set forth in the appropriation. (Ref'd 7/16/09)

7a. Related Motion, Councillor Gonsalves, asking that the City Council send a letter to the City Auditor to ask him to cite which language in the bond lists the expenses for the purposes of the field house in accordance with Section 10-26 of the City Code, which further would advise him that he is required by law to report to the City Council Committee on Finance and the Mayor any appropriations which are misappropriated in the course of the expenditure of that Bond if that expense not specifically mentioned. (Ref'd 7/16/09)

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***Please NOTE the last item on every Finance Agenda will be the review of the City's Monthly Report.***

8. Communication, City Auditor Peter Schmidt, submitting to the City Council the City's Monthly Reports for the month of July 2009, to be reviewed by the Finance Committee.

***INVITEES: City Auditor Peter Schmidt***