

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Minutes of the Meeting
Tuesday – April 21, 2026

1. Since Councillor Katz was absent, the FinCom Clerk called the meeting to order at 9:15pm in the City Council Chamber.
2. The Clerk called the roll – Committee members Durkee, King, LaFauci, and LeBlanc were all present in-person. Councillor Katz was absent.
3. The Clerk asked for nominations for a Chair pro-tem. Councillor King nominated Councillor Durkee. The nomination of Councillor Durkee as Chair pro-tem was adopted on a voice vote with Councillor LaFauci audibly voting no.
4. Councillor LeBlanc moved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on April 6, 2026. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the minutes of the meeting on April 6, 2026 were accepted.
5. A request was received from the Mayor to approve the transfer of \$44,950 for the paving of the parking lot at the 92 Felton Street property.

FROM:

Building – FT Wages #001-192-5100-5112 \$44,950

TO

Building – Paving Projects #001-192-5800-6710 \$44,950

A motion to hear from the Director of Building Maintenance, Jon Millian, was adopted on a voice vote. Mr. Millian gave a brief introductory statement about the project. Councillors LaFauci and LeBlanc asked several questions about why the tenant (Bentley University) is not responsible for the work. Councillor King asked if there are other City leases with a similar arrangement. Both Councillor LaFauci and LeBlanc expressed concern about the lack of benefits provided to the City when there is a significant use of City resources consumed by the university, citing public safety response on campus and the Linden Street properties that have been taken off the tax rolls, as examples. Councillor LeBlanc moved to approve the transfer of \$44,950 for the paving project. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.

6. A request was received from the Mayor to approve the transfer of \$20,000 to supplement the Housing Department general expenses account. The funds will be used to provide for the increased costs of maintaining the Hardy Residences property, including electricity, snow plowing, and pest treatments.

FROM:

Housing – Salaries #001-183-5100-5111 \$20,000

TO:

Housing – General Expenses #001-183-5200-5000 \$20,000

A motion to hear from the Housing Director, Colette Casey-Brenner was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor King asked questions about the nature of the expenses and how the maintenance work is performed. Councillor LaFauci asked if other City Departments could provide maintenance services. Ms. Casey-Brenner explained the reasons why it is outsourced. Councillor LaFauci moved to approve the transfer of \$20,000 for the maintenance expenses. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.

7. A motion by Councillor LaFauci to adjourn was adopted on a voice vote and Chairman pro-tem Durkee declared the meeting adjourned at 9:35pm.

Paul G. Centofanti – Clerk to the Finance Committee