TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER

EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

MARCH 2, 2016

PUBLIC HEARING/BUDGET

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader Linda A. Russo, Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Marc I. Weinberg, Ram Aberasturia, Joseph R. Carlson, Patricia Harmon and Michael G. Kurker

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. He announced the exit locations in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §29-381 after which the Council joined him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair gave a brief overview of the Mayor's recommended 2016-2017 budget totaling approximately \$182M with no change in the mill rate. Due to a new state law regarding a state-wide mill rate for vehicles, most residents will see a reduction in their automobile taxes.

That portion of the Mayor's recommended budget which is allocated to the Board of Education is approximately \$89,000,000 – an increase of \$1M from last year.

The following citizen came forth to speak:

Susan Kniep, Olde Roberts Street, raised concerns about the state budget and its impact on the town's budget.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke seconded Bill Horan to **adjourn** (7:19 p.m.). Motion carried 9/0.

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Richard F. Kehoe TOWN COUNCIL CHAIR