

City of Portland, Maine
Thursday, March 5, 2026
Remote Finance Committee Meeting - 5:00PM
via Zoom

PUBLIC RECORD OF MEETING
Complete Public Record of Meeting can be found at the link below:
<http://www.portlandmaine.gov/129/Agendas-Minutes>

Attendees: Finance Committee Members: Fournier, Grant and Mayor Dion; City Councilors: Ali and Michniewicz; City, School and Library Staff, and members of the Public.

5:02 PM Introductions

5:03 PM Presentation of City Manager's Recommended Capital Improvement Plan (Public Hearing)

At the meeting the Committee heard a continued presentation of the City Manager's Recommended Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Finance Director Brendan T. O'Connell and Public Works Director Mike Murray presented. Water Resources (Sewer and Stormwater) projects included in the FY27 CIP were discussed in detail and Q&A from the prior meeting were reviewed. The Committee held a public hearing on the City Manager's Recommended Capital Improvement Plan, and took a vote to recommend the FY27 CIP to the full Council for approval at their 3/16/26 and 4/13/26 meetings. The Committee also called for any potential amendments being considered by Councilors to be disclosed at the current meeting so staff can draft necessary documents and publish the requested CIP amendments within the agenda package for the 3/16/26 and 4/13/26 City Council meetings for review by the Council and public.

Vote Results:

Motion made by Grant, seconded by Fournier. Passage 2-0 (Pelletier absent). Vote Time 5:46 PM

5:47 PM Future Meeting Dates and Topics

1. Thursday, March 26, 2026 – First Joint City/School Finance Committee Meeting
 - i. Presentation from PPS - FY27 Superintendent's Recommended Budget
 - ii. Presentation from External Auditors - 6/20/25 Audit Results
2. Thursday, April 2, 2026 - Second Joint City/School Finance Committee Meeting
3. Monday, April 13, 2026 - Presentation of City Manager's Recommended Budget to City Council
4. Tuesday, April 14, 2026 - Finance Committee City Budget Review Begins
5. Thursday, April 16, 2026 - Finance Committee City Budget Review Continues
6. Tuesday, April 28, 2026 - Finance Committee City Budget Review Continues, Committee Vote to Recommend PPS Board Recommended Budget to Full Council
7. Thursday, April 30, 2026 - Finance Committee City Budget Review Continues, Committee Vote to Recommend City Budget to Full Council

5:49 PM Adjournment

Motion made by Grant, seconded by Fournier. Passage 2-0 (Pelletier absent). Vote Time 5:49 PM