

# Press Release

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## **HOLYOKE BUDGET FORUM**

**Linda Vacon, Ward 5 City Councilor will host a budget forum at the Kittredge Center on May 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30PM-8:30PM (tentatively to be held in the People's Bank Conference Room)**

**The Mayor will present his budget to the City Council on May 29<sup>th</sup>. The City Council can only make cuts to the submitted budget and no shifts of money from one line to another can be made.**

**The purpose of this forum is to follow up on the Tax Abatement Workshop where the budget overview was presented to explain how the tax bills are generated. Citizens were informed that the time to have input on city expenses (leading to the tax bills) is now, at budget time.**

**A summary of the budget will be presented at the forum. Those in attendance will have an opportunity to ask questions and offer suggestions for changes desired in the proposed budget.**

**GUEST SPEAKER: City Council President Kevin Jourdain will offer comments on the budget process.**