Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives



Jay Fountain, Chair

Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair

Approved 9-0-0

Committee Report Corrected

Date: Monday, October 27, 2014

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Democratic Caucus Room, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT

06905-2098

The Fiscal Committee met at the above time and place. In attendance were Chair Fountain, Vice Chair Cerasoli, and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Day, DeLuca, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Figueroa and Ryan. Also present were Lou Casolo, Engineering; Kevin Murray, Parks and Facilities; Erik Larson, Community Development; Karen Cammarota, Grants Office; Jim Hricay, OPM; Kathy Emmett, Corporation Counsel; Clemon Williams, Director of Human Resources. Christie Fountain, Glenbrook Neighborhood Association; and Wes Haynes; Historic Neighborhood Preservation.

Chair Fountain called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

11. F29.213
RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Submit an Application to the State Department of Economic & Community Development for a Historic Preservation Survey for the Glenbrook Neighborhood Association 09/26/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Christie Fountain explained that the Glenbrook Neighborhood Association supports this application which is a survey of historic resources in the area. This is similar to the recently completed Hubbard Heights project. A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-1 (Reps. Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver in favor; Rep. Fountain abstaining.)

²2. <u>F29.215</u> \$1,866.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget);
Counseling Grant: Salary and FICA for Outreach

Counseling Grant; Salary and FICA for Outreach Coordinator (100% grant funded).

09/19/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/09/14 – Approved by Board of Finance

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Karen Cammarota explained that the state granted more funding than anticipated. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by unanimous vote. (Reps. Fountain, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver in favor.)

³3. <u>F29.217</u> \$24,235.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Senior Health Grant; to provide health and outreach services for seniors; part time Nurse and FICA, travel and supplies (100% grant funded).

09/25/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

10/09/14 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by unanimous vote. (Reps. Fountain, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver in favor.)

⁴4. <u>F29.214</u> \$126.977.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Affordable Housing Initiative; "Fee-in-Lieu" Payment from Seaside Real Estate Group under Inclusionary Zoning Regulations to finance affordable housing development and administrate the fund and Inclusionary Zoning housing stock.

09/19/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/09/14 – Approved by Board of Finance

Erik Larson explained that the source of these funds is a payment from Seaside Developers for a partial unit. This is the first payment the City has received this year. Jim Hricay stated that he will provide the committee with the cost of administering this program. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-1. (Reps. Fountain, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver in favor; Rep. DeLuca abstaining.)

⁵5. <u>F29.216</u> \$3,700.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Electric Vehicle Chargers; Program Supplies; Purchase 2 electric vehicle chargers for Bedford Street Garage (100% grant funded). 09/19/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/09/14 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by unanimous vote. (Reps. Fountain, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver in favor.)

Approved 8-0-1

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⁶6. <u>F29.220</u> \$250,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Pavement Management and Preservation; Longterm pavement management and preservation of City-owned roadway.

09/29/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 09/30/14 – Approved by Planning Board 10/09/14 – Approved by Board of Finance

Lou Casolo stated that this is a non-recurring capital expense for crack sealing. The program will extend the life of pavement for 4-6 years. They use the Pavement Condition Index and start with the streets that have cracks but are in the best condition, so they can get the greatest benefit from the repair. It is not worth doing on a street that is in a state of disrepair. Jim Hricay explained that this project differs from the 20 year bond funds because this has a short life expectance. Lou Casolo stated that they will consider safety and distribution among electoral districts in determining which streets to do. This project is temperature dependent and would not replace milling and paving of streets. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by unanimous vote. (Reps. Fountain, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver in favor.)

⁷7. <u>F29.218</u> \$198,680.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); 200 Strawberry Hill Maintenance; to fund operating and maintenance costs for property and building through 6/30/2015 (from Contingency). 09/26/2014 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/09/14 – Approved by Board of Finance

Approved 9-0-0

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Kevin Murray explained that these are estimated costs for the operation and maintenance of the buildings at 200 Strawberry Hill through the end of the fiscal year. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by unanimous vote. (Reps. Fountain, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver in favor.)

⁸8. <u>F29.221</u> \$98,821.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); To fund the Assistant Director of Human Resources position through the end of the year (from Contingency).

Approved 8-1-0

10/02/14 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/09/14 – Approved by Board of Finance

Kathy Emmett explained that this is to fund the position of Assistant Director of Human Resources now that Clemon Williams has become Director. The Board of Finance had cut funds from the HR budget, but unanimously approved this appropriation. Committee members noted the workload of the HR department, including the upcoming union contracts and the large number of grievances. A motion to approve this item was made,

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seconded and approved by a vote of 8-1-0. (Reps. Fountain, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, De Costanzo, Fedeli, Mitchell and Silver in favor; Rep. Cerasoli opposed.)

As a Secondary Committee:

1. E29.016

REVIEW and APPROVAL; Use of 200 Strawberry Hill
Property as a school contingent on State approval of
magnet funding (at 7:00 p.m.)
09/02/14 – Submitted by Board of Education
10/09/14 – Approved by Board of Finance

Chair Fountain adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jay Fountain, Chair

This meeting is on video.