

Fiscal Committee -Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Thursday, December 15, 2016

Time: 6:00 p.m.

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

06905-2098

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo and Committee Member Reps. Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller and Silver. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Cerasoli, Coleman, DeLuca, Mitchell and Quinones. Also present were Jay Fountain, OPM Director; Dan Colleluori, Recycling; Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare, Chief Trevor Roach and Assistant Chiefs Robert Morris and Miguel Robles, Stamford Fire Department; Karen Cammarota, Grants Office; Clemon Williams, Human Resources Director; Kathryn Emmett, Corporation Counsel; and Lou Casolo, City Engineer.

Char Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

It was noted that the Board of Finance had not met and all votes were taken subject to Board of Finance approval.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. <u>F29.483</u> \$ 10,000.00 <u>\$12,000.00</u>	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Waste Reduction Initiative; Establishment of a Swap Shop at 90130 Magee Ave (100% grant funded). 11/18/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance	Approved 6-0-0

Mr. Colleluori explained that this is a grant for a swap shop at the Recycling Center, which is expected to reduce City disposal costs. There will be 5-6 additional parking spaces near the shed. He noted that the address has changed to move this to the Recycling Center and that the grant is for more than originally anticipated. The committee members expressed interest in reviewing this item at some future point to hear how things are going. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller and Silver in favor).

2. F29.484
\$95,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget from Fund Balance); Compliance with Federal Mandate; Human Resources Personnel Overtime; Funding for Staff Required to Administer Civil Services Exams; Funding for Advertising for Civil Service Exams; Fulfillment of HR Contracts with 3rd Party Consultant.

12/02/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance

Mr. Williams explained that the City anticipated these expenses and the money was included in the Fund Balance. These funds are due to compliance with the Affordable Care Act, additional civil service exams and increased advertising of the exams. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller and Silver in favor).

3. <u>F29.485</u> \$53,954.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget from Contingency); Payroll costs of Long Ridge Volunteer Fire Company due to unforeseen circumstances with a long term injury to a member. 12/02/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance

Mr. Jankowski and Chief Roach explained that the Long Ridge company has asked for these funds as a result of additional costs incurred by the company during the absence of a member for a back injury. The company paid the member's salary but incurred additional costs as a result and needs funds in order to pay its other bills. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller and Silver in favor).

4. <u>F29.486</u> \$771,390.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget from Contingency); MAA Wage Increase obligations for FY 16/17 per recent contract settlement.

12/02/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance

Mr. Williams explained that this amount, for this year's wage increase, was already included in the budget (contingency). Mr. Fountain explained that the City had needed additional time to determine which accounts this amount went to. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Day, Figueroa, Miller and Silver in favor; Rep. Fedeli abstaining).

5. <u>F29.487</u> \$10,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget from Contingency); Retroactive Fire Contract Settlement.

12/06/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance

Mr. Williams explained that this is a settlement of an interest charge because the City was 12 days late in paying the retroactive wages due to the time needed to calculate the six-year retroactive wage amounts. Ms. Emmett was able to negotiate the amount down. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 2-1-3 (Reps. Di Costanzo and Silver in favor; Rep. Miller opposed; Reps. Day, Fedeli and Figueroa abstaining).

6. <u>F29.488</u> \$3,244,037.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget from Contingency); Fire Wage Increase Obligations for FY 16/17 per Recent Contract Settlement.

12/02/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance

Mr. Williams explained that this is the amount due for the FY16/17 wages under the contract. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller and Silver in favor).

7. <u>F29.489</u>	REJECTION; Capital Project Closeout Project No.	No Action Taken
\$40,000.00	CP38030; CLC Facility Rehab Project.	
	11/08/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin	
	12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance	

Mr. Fountain explained that this is for an appropriation that was never received. CLC received the grants but did not forward them to the City and did the work themselves. No action was taken on this item.

8. <u>F29.490</u>	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);	Approved 6-0-0
\$33,901.65	District wide code compliance.	
	12/02/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin	
	12/13/16 - To be considered by Planning Board	
	12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance	

Mr. Casolo explained that this is a payment for residents' connection to the Davenport School sewer lateral and to approve receipt of the cash payment into the capital account to be used for the grease traps at Davenport School. The residents paid the cost of the connection. This amount is based on the appraised value of the easement. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller and Silver in favor).

9. <u>F29.492</u> \$3,419.73	REJECTION; Capital Project Closeout Project No. CP1202 CLC roof replacement. 12/06/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/13/16 – To be considered by Planning Board 12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance	No Action Taken
10. <u>F29.493</u> \$73,049.57	REJECTION; Capital Project Closeout Project No. CP4009 Lockwood/Maple Ave K-Wing Renovation. 12/06/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/13/16 – To be considered by Planning Board 12/15/16 – To be considered by Board of Finance	No Action Taken
11. <u>F29.491</u> \$76,469.30	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP0062-CLC Classroom and playground Refurbishing and Renovations; CLC Kitchen Grease Interceptor Replacement. 12/06/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/13/16 – To be considered by Planning Board 12/15/16 - To be considered by Board of Finance	Approved 6-0-0

Mr. Casolo explained Item Nos. 9 through 11 go together as they are all related. The grease trap at the CLC facility at Hillandale Road has deteriorated and CLC is in non-compliance with the Fats, Oils, and Grease program which the WPCA administers. Mr. Casolo has designed an internal grease trap (after the initial design proved too costly for an external trap) which will be awarded after the closeout of items 10 & 11 for which the work has been completed. No action was taken on Item Nos. 9 and 10. A motion to approve Item 11 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller and Silver in favor).

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Monica Di Costanzo, Chair