



Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, March 27, 2017
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Place: Democratic Caucus Room, 4th Floor, 888 Washington Boulevard,
Stamford, CT 06905-2098

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo, Vice Chair Cerasoli and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Coppola, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Mitchell, Quinones and Silver. Absent or excused was Rep. Day. Also present were Reps. de la Cruz, Heaphy, Jacobson and Ryan; Jay Fountain, Acting Director, OPM; Lou Casolo, City Engineer; Karen Cammarota, Grants Office; and Hugh Murphy, Geoff Alswanger, Earl Kim, Andy George and Jackie Heftman, Board of Education.

Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
¹ 1. F29.513 \$1,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Town Clerk; Historic Preservation/Contracted Services; State Grant for Historic Document Preservation was larger than anticipated (100% grant funded). 02/24/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 03/08/17 – Approved by Board of Finance	Approved 10-0-0

Ms. Cammarota explained that the State gave the City \$1,000 more than was budgeted. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Cerasoli, Coleman, Coppola, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Mitchell, Quinones and Silver in favor.)

² 2. F29.509 \$2,113,751.13	REJECTION; Capital Project Closeout; Project Nos. C5B613, C31072, C5B217, C36668, CP6567 Multiple Projects Totaling \$2,113,751.13. 02/08/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 02/01/17 - Approved by Planning Board 02/09/17 – Held by Board of Finance 02/27/17 – Held By Committee 03/08/17 – No action taken by Board of Finance	No Action Taken
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Mr. Casolo explained that this is a request for a partial closeout of 6 projects. The first 2 projects are related to matching appropriations for rebates for Board of Education projects which overestimated the amount of the rebates; it will not be costing the City any money. The third project was a forecasted State grant but the work done (mold remediation), was not eligible for the grant; the City did other work for water remediation that was not grant eligible, so the project was funded by City bonds. The fourth project was also not grant eligible. The last two close-outs are Mill River Storm Water management projects. Ms. Cammarota explained that the third earmark was rescinded because the project was not done in time. This closes out the grant that was rescinded as well as the matching funds. The total of the closeouts is \$2.1 million. No motion was made on this item.

- ³3. [F29.510](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 10-0-0**
\$625,000.00 Toquam Indoor Air Quality Issues; Offset Grant
Closeout; Replace Roof; Replace Roof Fan, Upgrade
Chiller, Hallway Piping, Ceiling Replacement And
Mold Remediation.
02/08/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
02/01/17 - Approved by Planning Board
02/09/17 – To be considered by Board of Finance
02/27/17 – Held By Committee
03/08/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Cerasoli, Coleman, Coppola, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Mitchell, Quinones and Silver in favor.)

- ⁴4. [F29.511](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 10-0-0**
\$25,000.00 Westhill HS Infrastructure Renovations; Offset Grant
Closeout; Replace Mechanical Rooftop Equipment.
02/08/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
02/01/17 - Approved by Planning Board
02/09/17 – To be considered by Board of Finance
02/27/17 – Held By Committee
03/08/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Cerasoli, Coleman, Coppola, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Mitchell, Quinones and Silver in favor.)

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- ⁵5. [F29.514](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); **Approved 10-0-0**
\$1,639,736.00 To adjust BOE budget as a result of change in OPEB
funding requirement (Source: Fund Balance;
\$1,440,404 from BOE Claims Reserve and \$199,332
BOE 2015-16 Operating Budget Surplus).
02/24/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
03/08/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Murphy, Mr. Kim and Mr. Fountain explained that the Board of Education was asked to change their methodology for OPEB by the Controller's office to be consistent with the City's process. In order to do this, the BOE needs to draw these funds for this year. In the future the medical claims for retirees will come out of OPEB funds. This is a one time injection. This will result in a slight increase to the operating budget in the future and a reduction to the OPEB number. The amount in the budget book is after this appropriation. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Cerasoli, Coleman, Coppola, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Mitchell, Quinones and Silver in favor.)

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).

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