

Fiscal Committee -Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair Anzelmo Graziosi, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, December 18, 2017

Time: 7:00 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 Graziosi, and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia. Absent or excused were Reps. Coleman and Nabel. Also present were Rep. Zelinsky; Jay Fountain, OPM Director; Ellen Bromley, Affordable Housing Manager/Social Services Director; Michael Stake, Mill River Park Collaborative; Kevin Murray, Parks & Facilities Manager; Michael Scacco, Fleet Maintenance; Anthony Romano, OPM; Assistant Chief Tom Wuennemann, SPD; Andrew Karn, Axon, Inc.; Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer; Ted Jankowski, Director Public Safety Health & Welfare; William Brink and Prakash Chakravarti, WPCA.

Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
¹ 1. <u>F30.017</u> \$471,407.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);CP7209; Energy Improvement Project; Retrofit Existing Lighting to LED Fixtures at Hart, KT Murphy and Newfield Schools. 12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 11/28/17 – Approved by Planning Board 12/14/17 - Approved by Board of Finance	APPROVED 9-0-0

Ms. Burwick explained that this is a continuation of the EID project previously approved for \$9.2 million, which included LED upgrades for inside and outside lights at 15 schools, replacement of the cooling tower at the Government Center and HVAC work. This appropriation is for LED work at 3 additional schools. The City is on target to hit the projected savings once all of the work is completed. Although the State has ended the rebate program, these 3 schools will be included in the rebate, for \$118,265. There is a 4 year payback on this program.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

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²2. F30.020

RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-18 by Adding an Appropriation of \$471,407 for the EID (Energy Improvement Project) and Authorizing \$471,407 General Obligation Bonds of the City to Meet Said Appropriation.

12/06/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

APPROVED 9-0-0

This bond resolution relates to the above appropriation F30.017. Mr. Romano stated that the rebate will be used to pay down the bonds. The bonds have already been issued, but this allows them to be used for this purpose.

12/14/17 - Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

3. <u>F30.002</u> \$10,404.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); CrewsenseTime and Attendance System to replace Kronos TeleStaff. 12/5/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 11/14/17 - Held by Board of Finance // To be considered by Board of Finance	NO ACTION TAKEN
³ 4. <u>F30.001</u> \$4,000,000.00	GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement with the State Department of Energy & Environmental Education for Development/Redevelopment of Mill River Phase II River Greenway; amount of grant: \$4,000,000 (no City match). 11/15/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin	APPROVED 9-0-0

Ms. Cammarota stated that this resolution is for State bond funds obtained by the Mill River, but the money comes through the City.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

5. <u>F30.018</u>	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital	APPROVED 9-0-0
\$4,000,000.00	Budget);Complete Construction of Phase II of Mill	
	River Restoration Project	
	12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin	
	11/28/17 – Approved by Planning Board	
	12/14/17 – Approved by Board of Finance	

Mr. Stake explained the proposed next phase of the Mill River Restoration – the expansion along the east side of the River.

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A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

46. F30.023
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); T. Jankowski
Police Body-Worn Cameras; Appropriation from
Contingency to fund City's 50/50 Share of "Police
Body Worn Camera" Project.
12/05/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/14/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Jankowski, Assistant Chief Wuennemann and Mr. Karn discussed this item with the Committee:

- The City received \$338,000 from the Department of Justice with a City match for body cameras.
- The policies and procedures were developed with input from the community and the union. In addition, he reached out to other communities.
- A pilot program was then run with 3 vendors, and Axon was selected by 23 of the 31 officers as their first choice and was the second choice of the remaining officers. Axon has 80% of the market share.
- If the City moves forward with this before 12/31, it will save \$350,000 under this quote. This discount is the product of negotiation. There might be a smaller discount if it is approved next year.
- The project includes unlimited storage for the 167 officers who will wear the cameras at all times & 7 Tbytes of storage for those cameras not used by the officers who will only wear them as needed.
- The camera equipment will be updated every 2 ½ years
- The cost is \$894,000 over five years, which includes a person to shepherd the program through, including redaction of videos. That person's salary will be \$60,000. For a cost of \$89,000 including benefits. There are also overtime costs to train officers.
- Union concerns included use of the tape for police infractions, such as not wearing a hat; the union has approved the program
- The quality of the video has been good. Storage will be in the cloud.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-2 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor; Reps. Figueroa and McMullen abstaining).

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⁴ Video Time Stamp 00:21:02 (Part 1)

⁵7. **F30.019** \$18,000,000.00 REJECTION: of Capital Project Closeouts, Project Nos. CP1070, NFWF Mill River Stormwater Retention and Treatment; CP6590, Mill River Corridor Development.

12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 11/28/17 - Approved by Planning Board

12/14/17 - No Action Taken by Board of Finance

Mr. Romano explained that these items were approved as a group in 2015 under "other funding sources". The Administration would like to close out these items and bring them back as separate items with correct funding sources. The committee took no action on this item.

⁶8. F30.015 \$2.750.000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital

APPROVED 8-0-0

APPROVED 9-0-0

NO ACTION

TAKEN

Budget):CP5602: Veterans Park Capital Renovation in Partnership with DSSD and Adjacent Property \$2,000,000.00

Owners.

12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 11/28/17 – Approved by Planning Board 12/14/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

Chair Di Costanzo noted that the Board of Finance approved this for only \$2,000,000. Mr. Fountain explained that the Veterans Park has raised \$1,500,000 and the Board of Finance wants them to come back when they raise the rest of the funds. As a result, this 50% city match project will be done in phases. The cost of Phase 1 is \$4,250,000. \$ 2,750,000 has been previously approved and bonded. The total cost is \$5.3 million, but if no further money is raised, the project can stop after Phase 1

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

⁷9. F30.003 \$50,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Fund Full Year Salary for Supervisor of Vehicle

Maintenance.

12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 11/14/17 - Held by Board of Finance 12/14/17 - Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Scacco, Mr. Jankowski and Mr. Fountain explained that this is the remaining salary for a current position. The Supervisor oversees 185 plated police vehicles and 30 pool vehicles and will start to take care of all small city vehicles. He oversees 3 mechanics and 3 satellite locations. The Board of Finance wanted to fund only ½ of this position initially in order to be sure that the program was working well, which it is. The money was put into contingency and is in line with salaries in other cities.

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A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

⁸10. **F30.010** \$14,500.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);

Vehicle Maintenance; Cover the Cost of Software

Maintenance relating to Agile.

12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/14/17 - Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Scacco explained that this program oversees the fleet and the GPS. In 2015, the majority of the funding came from IT. The maintenance costs for last year were \$14,443. These funds are coming from contingency. IT did not include it in its budget for this year. It will be in his budget for next year.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor; Rep. McMullen abstaining).

⁹11. **F30.013** \$248,472.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital

Budget);C46580; Fee-in-Lieu Payment to Support

Development of Affordable Housing. 12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 11/28/17 – Approved by Planning Board 12/14/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

Ms. Bromley explained that this is a request to take in money because the Zoning Board granted the developer's request for a payment rather than one on-site unit in this condo building. The amount is determined by formula. The money goes into the housing fund and is used for affordable housing.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor; Rep. McMullen abstaining).

¹⁰12. **F30**.011 \$20.000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Playground Safety Compliance: Parts and Installation.

APPROVED 9-0-0

APPROVED 8-0-1

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12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin

12/14/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Murray explained that there are 18 playgrounds inspected annually. Parts need to be installed to bring them up to compliance. Playgrounds needs frequent repairs, given their use.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

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⁸ Video Time Stamp 01:10:54 (Part 1)

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¹¹13. F30.022 \$30,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Tracking and Funding Plumbing Expenditures for

APPROVED 9-0-0

APPROVED 9-0-0

Outside Contractor.

12/05/17 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/14/17 - Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Murray stated that the City has one plumber and relies on an outside contractor as a backup. The City uses a local contractor who was the lowest bidder.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

¹²14. **F30**.012 \$198,310.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); APPROVED 8-0-1

Transfer of Prior Year Fund Balance for Project

C5B609 – District Wide Technology Equipment.

12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/14/17 - Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Fountain explained that this is an annual process. The Board of Ed wants to transfer the prior year fund balance for technology equipment.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor; Rep. McMullen abstaining.)

¹³15. **F30**.004 \$129,600.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Street Patch Resurface; RMS Construction

Reimbursement of 900 Washington Blvd (\$9.600): Yankee Gas Services for Paving Atlantic St

(\$120,000).

12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin

10/24/17 - Approved by Planning Board

11/14/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

This an appropriation of funds received as reimbursement for paving work done by the City.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

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¹¹ Video Time Stamp 00:03:26 (Part 2)

¹² Video Time Stamp 00:06:15 (Part 2)

¹³ Video Time Stamp 00:07:43 (Part 2)

16. <u>F30.005</u> \$185,000.00	REJECTION; of Capital Project Closeouts, Project Nos. CP8707, Solid Waste Management Garage; CP8709, Transfer Station Exterior Lighting; CP8708, Transfer Station Power Supply Upgrade. 12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/24/17 - Approved by Planning Board 11/14/17 - Held by Board of Finance // To be considered by Board of Finance	NO ACTION TAKEN
17. <u>F30.006</u> \$50,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);CP8707; Consturction of New Solid Waste Maintenance Garage. 12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/24/17 - Approved by Planning Board 11/14/17 - Held by Board of Finance// To be considered by Board of Finance	NO ACTION TAKEN
18. <u>F30.007</u> \$85,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);CP8708; Transfer Station Power Supply Upgrade. 12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/24/17 - Approved by Planning Board 11/14/17 - Held by Board of Finance // To be considered by Board of Finance	NO ACTION TAKEN
19. <u>F30.008</u> \$50,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);CP8709; Transfer Station Exterior Lighting. 12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/24/17 - Approved by Planning Board 11/14/17 - Held by Board of Finance// To be considered by Board of Finance	NO ACTION TAKEN
¹⁴ 20. <u>F30.014</u> \$112,223.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);C56123; Citywide Sidewalks Reconstruction, Outside of Downtown Area. 12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 11/28/17 - Approved by Planning Board 12/14/17 - Approved by Board of Finance	APPROVED 9-0-0

This an appropriation of funds received as reimbursement for sidewalk work done by the City.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

¹⁴ Video Time Stamp 00:09:46 (Part 2)

¹⁵21. **F30.016**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital

APPROVED 9-0-0

\$1,600,000.00

Budget); CP6904; WPCA – Major Repairs: 1) Gravity Belt & Filter Press Rehab (\$230,000); 2) Design Phase for Sludge Degritting System Upgrade (\$380,000); 3) New Equipment Purchases (\$750,000); 4) Ops Bldg HVAC Improvements (\$100,000); 5) Ladder & Guard Rail Safety

Improvements (\$150,000).

12/05/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 11/14/17 - Approved by Planning Board 12/14/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Brink explained that this appropriation seeks funds for equipment replacement. The WPCA has not sought additional capital funds during the last budget process because they thought they had enough. These are unexpected expenditures. The WPCA is looking to replenish its capital account and also get authorization for bonding. This is a 2 year request. It was noted that the numbers in the itemization add up to \$1,610,000. Mr. Chakravarti stated that these are estimates.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor).

22. F30.021

RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-18 for Water Pollution Control Proiects.

12/06/17 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/14/17 – Approved by Board of Finance

This resolution relates to the above appropriation F30.016 to give authorization for bond usage approved by SWPCA Board.

A motion to approve this resolution was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Morson, Pendell and Pia in favor; Rep. McMullen abstaining).

23. F30.009

REVIEW: FY 2017-18 First Quarter Financial Projections.

REPORT MADE

APPROVED 8-0-1

12/05/17 - Submitted by Jay Fountain

Mr. Fountain reviewed the first quarter projections with the Committee. The City is expecting a shortfall of \$800,000 and the Board of Education has an excess of \$2.1 million. Revenue from state grants is \$1,800,000 less than budgeted,. The building permit revenue estimate has increased, but the single stream recycling revenue is less than budgeted because the price has come down. Conveyance tax revenue is not expected to be as large as last year

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

¹⁵ Video Time Stamp 00:23:00 (Part 2)

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Respectfully submitted, Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

This meeting is on video (Pt. 1 and Pt. 2)