



## ***Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives***

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair      Lindsey Miller, Vice Chair

# **Committee Report**

**Date:** Monday, July 29, 2019  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Place:** Democratic Caucus Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 888 Washington Boulevard,  
Stamford, CT 06905-2098

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell. Absent or excused were Reps. Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, Jacobson and Pia. Also present were Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer; Mike Pensiero, IT Department; and Thomas Madden, Director of Economic Development.

Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Committee Action</b>
1. <a href="#">F30.211</a> \$15,273.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Citywide Technology Replacement & Upgrade; C65201; State of CT Matching Funds to Replace 14 Desktop Computers in Emergency Communications Center Approaching End of Life. 07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/25/19 – Approved by <a href="#">Planning Board</a> 07/11/19 – Approved by Board of Finance	Approved 6-0-0

Mr. Pensiero explained that this grant amount is based upon population. The workstations in the 911 Center are 4 years old. The old units will be transferred to the backup 911 center at Sterling Farms.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

2. <a href="#">F30.220</a> \$56,273.00	GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into Agreement with the State of Connecticut Department of Education for Funding of the Youth Services Bureau; amount of grant; \$59,338 (City match: \$59,339). 07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin	Held 6-0-0
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Due to confusion about the amount of this grant and corrections to be made to the resolution, a motion to hold this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

3. [F30.210](#)      ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget);      Approved 6-0-0  
\$20,000.00      Stamford Resilience Opportunity Assessment for  
Government Center and Stamford High School  
Identifying Strategies to Improved Resilience to  
Climate Change (100% Grant Funded).  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin  
07/11/19 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Madden explained that the City has been working with UConn and the Fairfield County Business Council on this grant. The City is a pass through and received a report on this last September. These efforts focus on emergency efficiencies and “shelter in place” locations for things like superstorms.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

- 4a. [F30.212](#)      GRANTS RESOLUTION, authorizing the Mayor to      Approved 6-0-0  
enter into an agreement with the CT Dept. of  
Emergency Services & Public Protection for Funding  
Assistance for a State Homeland Security Grant  
Program; amount of grant \$400,000, plus \$50,000 to  
administer (City match: \$0)  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that this is a regional grant program. Stamford is part of Region 1 and also receives \$50,000 for administering the program. This amount is an estimate and must be approved by all of the towns.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

- 4b. [F30.213](#)      GRANTS RESOLUTION, authorizing the Mayor to      Approved 6-0-0  
enter into an agreement with the CT Dept. of  
Emergency Services & Public Protection for  
Emergency Management Performance Grant  
Program; amount of grant: \$64,437 (City contribution:  
\$64,437).  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that this grant funds part of the salaries of the Director of Emergency Communications and the Deputy Director. The amount is based on the population of the City.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

- 5a. [F30.217](#)      GRANTS RESOLUTION; authorizing the Mayor to      Approved 6-0-0  
Enter into an agreement with the State of Connecticut  
Department of Education for School Readiness and  
Child Day care; amount of grant: \$4,243,825 (City  
contribution: \$31,840).  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that this grant is run and funded by the State. Most of the funds go to the program run by CLC, but 16 slots are run by the Board of Education at Rippowam. The State permits a maximum of \$100,000 for administration.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

- 5b. [F30.218](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION; authorizing the Mayor to D. Arcuri  
Enter into an agreement with the State of Connecticut K. Cammarota  
Department of Education for Funding Assistance  
Regarding Operation of the Stamford Day Care  
Program; amount of grant \$1,951,438 (City match:  
\$0).  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that this program is for 3 or 4 year olds. All of the funds go to the program run by CLC.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

- 5c. [F30.219](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION; authorizing the Mayor to Approved 5-0-1  
Enter into an agreement with the State of Connecticut  
Department of Education for Quality Enhancement  
Grant Program; amount of grant \$48,970 (City match  
\$0).  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that the City utilizes these funds to hire licensed contractors (through an RFP process), who provide services to private day care centers. She will provide the Board with information as to whether the Health Department supervises this program.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor; Rep. McMullen abstaining).

- 6a. [F30.214](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION, authorizing the Mayor to Approved 6-0-0  
enter into agreement with the Connecticut State  
Department of Public Health for Public Health  
Emergency Preparedness Planning; amount of grant:  
\$82,638 (City match: \$0)  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that the City is responsible for deliverables in response to a public health emergency. This had been the responsibility of a City employee. The funds are now being used to pay for a consultant.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

- 6b. [F30.215](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION, authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreement with the Connecticut State Department of Public Health for Preventive Health Services Block Grant; amount of grant: \$33,536 (City match: \$0). Approved 5-1-0  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that these are federal funds administered by the State based upon a formula. The Health Director chooses the parameters; this year Dr. Calder has chosen to focus on adult hypertension. She is working with the State to determine how the funds should be used. Ms. Cammarota will let the Committee know why she chose hypertension.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-1-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor; Rep. McMullen opposed).

- 6c. [F30.216](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION, authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreement with the Connecticut State Department of Public Health for State Aid to Full-Time Health Department Program under 2019-20 Per Capita Grant; amount of grant: \$138,945.09 (City match: \$0). Held 6-0-0  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that this is a state grant with the amount based upon the City's population. The Health Department has discretion on how to use it and has not decided yet. In the past, it has been used to supplement other grants.

A motion to hold this item pending direction for fund usage was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

7. [F30.221](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION, authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreement with the State of Connecticut for Tuberculosis and Sexually Transmitted Disease Treatment and Control Services Programs; amount of grant: \$100,100 (City contribution: \$71,140). J. Calder  
\$100,100.00 K. Cammarota  
07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Ms. Cammarota explained that this grant funds two positions & some supplies. There are condoms at the STD clinic. She will check if grant funds are used to purchase contraception.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

8. [F30.222](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Transportation Regarding an Elderly and Disabled Transportation Program; amount of grant: \$98,302 (City match: \$60,000). 07/03/19 – Submitted by Mayor Martin Approved 6-0-0  
\$98,302.00

Ms. Cammarota explained that this grant is used for the share the fare tax vouchers for the elderly and disabled, the EZ Access program administered by the Senior Center and Senior Center trips. Chair Di Costanzo expressed concern about using grant funds for Senior Center trips that are only available to or less expensive for members of the Senior Center and not open to all at the same rate.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

9. [F30.086](#) REVIEW; Drawdown Account Processes. Held 5-0-0  
7/11/2018 – Submitted by Reps. Sherwood and Cottrell  
07/23/18 – Report Made and Held by Committee  
10-0-0  
08/13/18 – Moved to Pending

A motion to hold this item due to the unavailability of the invited guests was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#)