



Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

Lindsey Miller, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, October 26, 2020
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: The meeting was held remotely.

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo, Vice Chair Miller, and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell. Excused was Rep. Fedeli. Also present were Jay Fountain and Tony Romano, OPM; David Yanik, Controller; Chris Dellaselva, Law Department; Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare; Bill Brink, WPCA; Garrett Bolella, Transportation, Traffic & Parking Bureau; Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer; and Sandy Dennies, Director of Administration.

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

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. F30.360	APPROVAL; Amendment of Agreement with Ceridian for HRIS and Payroll Solution Software; Extension of Time to Complete Project. 09/29/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance	Approved 8-0-0

Mr. Yanik explained that this agreement amends the agreement executed in the Fall of 2018 relating to the Dayforce Workforce Management (WFM) – time & attendance, benefits, & payroll software. The software is now expected to go live in April, 2021. The delay is due to several causes, including the City's need for adequate testing and review. The original goal of going live in April, 2020 was not feasible, so Ceridian was asked to give a quote until the end of the project. This agreement should take the City to the end of the project. If the City goes live in April, 2021, the City should not have to pay the entire cost. There are 3 pieces to the amendment. The first piece relates to 1st quarter calendar 2021 and is \$73,125 to secure the implementation team. The second piece is \$54,000 (\$18,000/month) to extend the life of the current HPW software. This fee will only be charged if the April, 2021 date is missed. The third piece is \$73,125 for personnel in the 2nd quarter if the April, 2021 date is missed. The funding for this amendment is included in the budget.

Mr. Yanik discussed this with the Committee as follows:

- It is not likely that the City will be able to accomplish everything needed prior to April 1, 2021.
- They are comfortable meeting the April 1, 2021 date with people working remotely; it is not predicated on people returning to work in the office
- Approximately \$120,000 may not be spent if they meet the April 1, 2021 go live date
- The Amendment included coverage for the additional quarter, if needed

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

2. [F30.366](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); **Approved 7-0-1**
\$55,392.00 Distracted Driving Grant FY 20/21; Increase Enforcement on an Overtime Basis (100% Grant Funds).
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Jankowski explained that this grant is 100% grant funded and focuses on distracted drivers. Ms. Cammarota explained that the City usually gets these funds in October and April.

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 7-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor; Rep. Figueroa abstaining).

3. [F30.367](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); **Approved 8-0-0**
\$36,395.00 Justice Assistance Grant FY20/21; Crisis Intervention Training for Dozens of Police Officers and Partial Associated OT Costs (100% Grant Funds).
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Jankowski stated that this appropriation is for a mental health collaborative program. Approximately 75 officers will be trained to deal with people with mental illness in crisis. Officers have been trained in the past, but many of them have retired.

A motion to approve Item No. 3 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

4. [F30.372](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 8-0-0**
\$816,000.00 CP1460; Public Safety Vehicle Replacement & Upgrade (12 SPD Patrol Response Vehicles @\$68,000).
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/08/20 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Jankowski explained that the City will be purchasing 12 additional vehicles this year and will be saving approximately \$12,000 per vehicle by buying them this year, \$144,000 total savings. The City has 190 police vehicles and were scheduled to replace 20 cars each year. Last year 6 were replaced. The average age of the entire fleet is 11.5 years – National average for police fleets are 4.5 years. The patrol fleet has the newer vehicles, average age 3.5 years, and older patrol vehicles are then reassigned to other units. A patrol vehicle averages about 50,000 miles per year, plus an additional 221,000 worth of miles due to idling. These vehicles will have all new equipment. 20 vehicles were budgeted and will be purchased this year, and no vehicles will be purchased next year. The purchase will be through the State contract. By purchasing these vehicles this year, the City will receive a 5 year warranty rather than a 3 year warranty.

A motion to approve Item No. 4 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

5. [F30.376](#) RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for FY 2020-2021 by Adding an Appropriation of \$816,000 for Public Safety Vehicle Replacement & Upgrade and Authorizing \$816,000 General Obligation Bonds of the City to Meet Said Appropriation. **Approved 8-0-0**
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve Item No. 5 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

6. [F30.362](#) \$667,536.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP8702; Summer Street Corridor Accident Reduction Program; Increase Amount from Grant (100% grant funded). **Approved 8-0-0**
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/08/20 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Bollela explained that this is an extension of a grant approved in 2017. The project funding from DOT has been increased. The City will be fully reimbursed. A motion to approve Item No. 6 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

7. [F30.363](#) \$2,000,000.00 REJECTION; Capital Closeout - C65201; Citywide Technology Replacement & Upgrade. **FAILED 0-8-0**
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/08/20 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Ms. Dennies explained that Items 7-9 are moving funds into a segregated account for the ERP implementation so the City can watch what is being spent. The GO bonds were already included in the budget. A motion to approve Item No. 7 was made, seconded, and failed by a vote of 0-8-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell opposed).

8. [F30.364](#) \$2,000,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP1462; ERP Implementation (\$1,200,000 City Bonds; \$800,000 Capital Non-Recurring). **Approved 8-0-0**
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/08/20 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve Item No. 8 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

9. [F30.365](#) RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for FY 2020-2021 by Adding an Appropriation of \$2,000,000 for ERP Implementation and Authorizing \$1,200,000 General Obligation Bonds of the City to Meet Said Appropriation. **Approved 8-0-0**
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve Item No. 9 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

10. [F30.361](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 8-0-0**
\$825,000.00 CP6904; WPCA Major Equipment Replacement.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/29/20 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Brink explained that this is for the major equipment replacement at the treatment plant. This is a recurring account which is replenished every year for things like pumps, mixers, piping, etc. This project will be funded by revenue bonds (Item 18), which are covered by the rates charged to users. A motion to approve Item No. 10 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

11. [F30.375](#) RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for FY 2020-2021 for Water Pollution Control Projects; **Approved 8-0-0**
CP6904.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve Item No. 11 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

12. [F30.368](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 8-0-0**
\$300,000.00 C71201; WPCA; Upgrade of WPCA Ultra-Violet Disinfection System.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/29/20 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Brink explained that this will complete the upgrade of the UV system now under construction. The original appropriation was done several years ago and they are somewhat short. The project should be completed by Spring 2021. A motion to approve Item No. 12 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

13. [F30.369](#) RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for FY 2020-2021 for Water Pollution Control Projects; **Approved 8-0-0**
C71201.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve Item No. 13 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

14. [F30.370](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 7-0-1**
\$5,460,000.00 CP0124; WPCA; Replacement of Plant Water and RAS pumps.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/29/20 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Brink explained that this is a new project, combining a new project and an older project. They had received approval for the water pumps. The RAS (return activated sludge) pumps are in the same room as the water pumps and need replacement. They will be gaining savings by economies of scale. Any new development that adds load to the system pays a connection charge and then pays a sewer use charge once connected. A motion to approve Item No. 14 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 7-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor; Rep. Coleman abstaining).

15. [F30.371](#) RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for FY **Approved 8-0-0**
2020-2021 for Water Pollution Control Projects; CP0124.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve Item No. 15 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

16. [F30.373](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 8-0-0**
\$600,000.00 CP4242; WPCA; Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
09/29/20 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Brink explained that this is a recurring account which is replenished every year. This will be used for sewer linings and manhole repairs in areas where infiltration was discovered in their studies. There is a roadmap to do these repairs which has been approved by DEEP. A motion to approve Item No. 16 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

17. [F30.374](#) RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for FY **Approved 8-0-0**
2020-2021 for Water Pollution Control Projects; CP4242.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance

A motion to approve Item No. 17 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

18. [F30.377](#) RESOLUTION; With Respect to the Issuance and Sale of Not to Exceed \$29,409,000 Water Pollution Control System and Facility Revenue Bonds of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, Issue of 2020.
10/07/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
10/08/20 – Approved by Board of Finance **Approved 8-0-0**

Mr. Brink explained that these are new revenue bonds to fund capital projects. The projected rate is 2.64% but it may be better. The bonds will have a 25 year term. A motion to approve Item No. 4 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

19. [F30.378](#) RESOLUTION; With Respect to the Authorization, Issuance and Sale of Not Exceeding \$25,000,000 City of Stamford, Connecticut Water Pollution Control System and Facility Revenue Refunding Bonds.
10/09/20 – Submitted by Sandy Dennies
__/__/20 – To be Considered by Board of Finance **Approved 8-0-0**

Mr. Brink explained that this is a refinance of the Clean Water fund loan from 2015. The refinance will be at 1.45% saving approximately \$500,000. The bonds will terminate in 5 years, coterminous with the current bonds. The Board of Finance approves this after the Board of Representatives. A motion to approve Item No. 19 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor).

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

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