



Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

Lindsey Miller, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, December 28, 2020
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: This meeting was held remotely

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo and Vice Chair Miller and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell. Absent was Representative Coleman. Also present were Reps. Cottrell, Florio, Mahoney, Matherne, Michelson, Sherwood, Stella, and Summerville; Mayor David Martin; Jay Fountain, OPM Director; Sandy Dennies, Director of Administration; Mark McGrath, Operations Director, Jim Travers and several other members of City staff.

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

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	COMMITTEE ACTION
1. F30.386 \$491,441.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); F30726 COVID; Appropriation of Remainder of State's Original CARES Act Allocation (Federal Funds). 12/08/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/10/20 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Committee Approved \$227,335.00 8-0-0
<p>Sandy Dennies explained that the original award was \$2,209,500.00 and on December 16, the final allocation was \$1,634,335. The Mayor and Sandy are currently working on an appeal for the Cares Act Allocation. Originally wanted this appropriation withdrawn but instead, asked for an adjustment in the appropriation to \$227,335 to bring up to the approved \$1,634,335. Sandy will provide the Board office with a breakdown of expenses.</p> <p>A motion to amend the additional appropriation to \$227,335.00 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0. (Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor)</p> <p>A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0. (Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor)</p>		
2. F30.387 \$8,547.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Click-It Ticket 20-21; Overtime; Award Higher than Anticipated. 12/08/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/10/20 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Committee Approved 7-0-1

Karen Cammarota, explained that this grant was budgeted in the 20/21 budget for seatbelt enforcement that was enforced during Thanksgiving and will continue during Memorial Day weekend.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-0-1. (Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor; Figueroa abstained)

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| 3. F30.384
\$154,520.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
C56174; Citywide Signals; Developer Contribution
for Traffic Signal Design and Controller Relocation at
Corner of Washington St. and Tresser Blvd.
12/08/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/08/20 – Approved by Planning Board
12/10/20 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 | Committee
Approved 8-0-0 |
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Garrett Bolella explained this appropriation was received from developer LMC to design a traffic signal at the corner of Washington St and Tresser Blvd. It was asked that the money be advanced for the design to be completed by their opening.

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

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| 4. F30.389
\$19,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
C56174; Citywide Signals; Site Plan Certificate of
Approval; Site Specific Conditions; Applicant
Payment Toward Procurement of GridSmart Camera
System at West Main Street/Alvord Lane/Commerce
Drive Intersection.
12/08/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/08/20 – Approved by Planning Board
12/10/20 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 | Committee
Approved 8-0-0 |
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Garrett Bolella explained that this appropriation would go towards the GridSmart Camera system installation at West Main Street/Alvord Lane/ Commerce Drive Intersection, which helps interpret point and traffic data, collect data, adjust signal timing, and monitor traffic flow.

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

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| 5. F30.385
\$15,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
CP8706; Sidewalk Extensions; Private Contribution
for Installation of 5' Wide Sidewalk Connecting
Southern Access Drive of 201 High Ridge Road to
Crosswalk at Cross Road and High Ridge Road.
12/08/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/08/20 – Approved by Planning Board
12/10/20 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 | Committee
Approved 8-0-0 |
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This project is in line with Stamford's Street Smart Initiative.

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

6. F30.388 \$2,000,000.00	APPROVAL; Appropriation of Prior Year Parking Fund Balance FY18-19 to Capital Nonrecurring to Fund Previously Approved Parking Related Capital Projects and to Cover Projected FY20-21 Shortfall. 12/04/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/10/20 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Committee Approved 8-0-0
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A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0. (Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor)

7. F30.390	RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Lease Purchase Agreement for the Acquisition, Purchase, Financing and Leasing of 3 Front End Loaders. 11/24/20 – Submitted by Sandy Dennies 12/10/20 – Held by Board of Finance	ITEM WITHDRAWN
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8. F30.391 \$368,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); C65200; Citywide Vehicle Replacement & Upgrade; Replace End of Life Front End Loaders which are Used to Address Leaf Collections and Snow Removal. 12/11/20 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 12/15/20 – Approved by Planning Board 12/17/20 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-0	Committee Approved 8-0-0
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Sandra Dennies explained that the original thought was to lease to purchase, the Board of Finance asked the Planning board if they would be interested in purchasing outright instead of lease to purchase and the Planning board agreed. With this new agreement item number F30.390 was withdrawn adding item F30.391 to purchase

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

A motion to suspend the rules to take up F30.392 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-1-0. (Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Figueroa, Morson, Nabel and Pendell in favor; McMullen opposed)

Under a Suspension of the Rules:

9. F30.392	APPROVAL; Compliance with State of Connecticut Governor's Executive Order 9R (Providing for Property Tax Relief) 12/17/20 – Submitted by Sandy Dennies	No action taken
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Mayor Martin asked that the board take no action on this item. He explained that the Board of Representatives approved a program that allowed tax payers to apply to postpone paying their property taxes for three (3) months. Stamford is a city of many people and businesses that are very capable to pay their taxes ontime. The City of Stamford had around 1800 approved applications for the tax payment deferment. That enabled the city to collect most of its taxes in July and August. On December 16, the State said they can do a postponement again in

January, but the City felt it was late and requested and received permission from the State that anyone who applied and was approved in July will automatically be approved this time and will continue to accept new applicants. The rules of the state are, if you are not changing your program there is no vote required from the legislative body and the City of Stamford is not changing, just extending the program. The City of Stamford President of the legislative body felt it should still be presented to the legislative body.

A motion to approve this item was made; no second was received.

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

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