



Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

Lindsey Miller, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, June 28, 2021
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: *This 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, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fleischer, McMullen, Morson and Nabel. Also present were Rep. Sherwood; Planning Board members Theresa Dell, Jay Tepper, Jennifer Godzeno, Michael Totilo; and Stephen Perry; Board of Finance members Richard Freedman, Mary Lou Rinaldi, Geoff Alswanger, Frank Cerasoli, David Mannis, and Kieran Ryan; Mayor Martin, Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer; Jodi Bishop-Pullan, Acting Director of Health, Ralph Blessing and David Woods, Land Use Bureau; Jay Fountain and Anthony Romano, OPM; Al Cava, HR Director; Ann Brown, Supervising Engineer, WPCA; Tyler Theder, Regulatory Compliance and Administrative Officer; Kathryn Emmett, Corporation Counsel; William Klous, Fleet Manager; Dr. Tamu Lucero, Superintendent of Schools; Sandra Dennies, Director of Administration; David Panico, Robinson & Cole; Thomas Turk, Traffic & Road Maintenance Supervisor; Assistant Chief Miguel Robles, Stamford Fire Department; Cindy Grafstein, Special Assistant to the Mayor; Kevin McCarthy, Director of Facilities – Operations SPS; and Lou Casolo, City Engineer.

Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. F30.458 \$100,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Community Health Workers; Funds to be used by Health Department to Contract with Family Centers Inc. to Continue to Operate a Community Health Workers Program to Assist in City's Response to COVID-19 Pandemic (100% grant funded). 05/26/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/10/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Approved 9-0-0

Ms. Bishop-Pullan explained that this is a grant from the Connecticut Health Foundation for community health workers to continue to work on contact tracing and Covid-19 responses. This appropriation is 100% grant funded.

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fleischer, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor).

2. [F30.459](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Appropriate Funds to Cover an Unallocated Budget Reduction of \$3,107,283.00; Funds to Come from Conveyance Tax Revenue. **Approved 9-0-0**
\$3,107,283.00
05/26/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/10/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Mr. Fountain explained that the Board of Finance had set up a budget reduction of \$4,569,283 to cover anticipated union contract salary reductions. There is a \$3,107,283 unallocated budget reduction. The funds to cover this appropriation will come from excess conveyance tax. The police union contract came in after this amount was calculated, so that amount will come from contingency.

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fleischer, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor).

3. [F30.460](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Appropriate Funds from Contingency to Fund Police Wage Increase Obligations for FY21/22 and Other Items per Recent Contract Settlement. **Approved 8-0-0**
\$2,306,294.00
06/09/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/10/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Mr. Fountain explained that this appropriation comes from the FY21-22 contingency, because it is for next year's wage obligations for the newly ratified contract.

A motion to approve Item No. 3 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Fedeli, Fleischer, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor). (At the conclusion of the Committee meeting, Rep. Figueroa stated that she had been away from her computer during this vote).

4. [F30.461](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Appropriate Funds from Fund Balance to Fund Police Retroactive Wage Increase Obligations for FY19/20 and FY20/21 per Recent Contract Settlement. **Approved 8-0-1**
\$1,124,212.00
06/09/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/10/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Mr. Fountain explained that this appropriation covers a retroactive wage increase for FY19-20 and FY20-21. This appropriation will be taken from the fund balance.

A motion to approve Item No. 4 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Fedeli, Fleischer, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor; Rep. Figueroa abstaining).

5. [F30.457](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 8-0-1**
 \$2,530,000.00 Repair of 42" Force Main at Stamford Water
 Pollution Control Facility.
 05/26/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
 05/25/21 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
 06/10/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Ms. Brown explained that this appropriation is to cover the repair of the 42" force main within the plant which pumps raw sewage to the primary clarifier. The pipe runs about 700 ft and is buried. During the construction upgrade, a break in this pipe was discovered. It is cheaper to reline the pipe than replace it. Relining the pipe will not substantially reduce the capacity of the pipe and the repair is expected to last approximately 50 years, which would be the life expectancy of a new pipe.

A motion to approve Item No. 5 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fleischer, Morson and Nabel in favor; Rep. McMullen abstaining).

6. [F30.449](#) APPROVAL; Declaration of Trust Stamford Historic **Approved 9-0-0**
 Preservation Trust Fund.
 04/21/21 – Submitted by Ralph Blessing
05/24/21 – Held by Committee 7-0-0

Mr. Blessing explained that the clarification requested last month has been made and the language of the declaration of trust regarding the ability to seek funds was also amended.

A motion to approve Item No. 6 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fleischer, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor).

The Committee next took up Item No. 8.

8. [F30.441](#) REVIEW; Fiscal Year 20/21 Third Quarter **J. Fountain**
 Projections.
 05/04/21 – Submitted by Jay Fountain
05/24/21 – Held by Committee 7-0-0

Mr. Fountain reviewed the [attached projections](#) and noted that these are projections from the end of May, not just Q3.

At 7:38 p.m., the Planning Board and the Board of Finance called their meetings to order for the remaining items.

7. [F30.454](#) REVIEW; Overview of Regulations for Use of ARP **Mayor Martin**
 Funding. **S. Dennies**
 05/28/21 – Submitted by President Quinones

Mayor Martin reviewed the [attached Power Point presentation](#) regarding the City's use of ARP funding and the proposed capital allocations. Mayor Martin discussed the presentation and the capital items with the members of the Planning Board, the Board of Finance, and the Fiscal Committee. Items discussed included the following:

- The ARP funding can't be used for a direct reduction in taxes or pension funds; it can be used for HVAC, stormwater, broadband and to replace lost revenue; it probably can't be

used to fix schools, but the bonding and ARP funds may make \$150 million in capital support available to the schools

- This \$24 million is the first of 2 payments
- There is a large capital backlog in the city
- The spending must be obligated by 12/31/24 and spent by 12/31/26

Items 9 through 25 were withdrawn as there is no need for Board approval for these items.

The Planning Board and the Board of Finance approved Item Nos. 26 through 32 unanimously.

9. F30.462 \$13,054,107.00	REJECTION; Partial Capital Closeout Recommendation – C5B623 (\$100,000); CPB500 (\$924,000); CPBM02 (\$1,500,000); CPBM14 (\$1,000,000); CPBM17 (\$3,000,000); CP9051 (\$475,000); CP6761 (\$120,000); C16012 (\$2,473,770); CP3805 (\$100,000); CP9238 (\$500,000); CP0211 (\$398,984); CP5241 (\$183,357); CP6757 (\$374,850); CP8710 (\$150,000); C56129 (\$1,508,146); C63808 (\$246,000). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
10. F30.463 \$100,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); C5B623; District-Wide Paving & Resurfacing (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
11. F30.464 \$924,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CPB500; District-Wide Indoor Air Quality (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
12. F30.465 \$1,500,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CPBM02; Davenport Ridge – MTF (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
13. F30.466 \$1,000,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CPBM14; Julia Stark – MTF (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
14. F30.467 \$3,000,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CPBM17; Westover Magnet – MTF using ARP Funds. 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN

15. F30.468 \$475,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP9051; HVAC Upgrade (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
16. F30.469 \$120,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP6761; Facilities Improvement, Plumbing (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
17. F30.470 \$2,473,770.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); C16012; City Wide Storm Drains (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
18. F30.471 \$100,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP3805; Heating System Replacement (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
19. F30.472 \$500,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP9238; Yerwood Center Renovations (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
20. F30.473 \$398,984.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP0211; Environmental Compliance (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
21. F30.474 \$183,357.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP5241; Storm Water Pump Stations (using ARP 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
22. F30.475 \$374,850.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);. CP6757; Reconstruction of Stormwater Waste Debris Drop-Off Station (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN
23. F30.476 \$150,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP8710; Restoration of Culverts and Leak Offs (using ARP Funds). 06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN	WITHDRAWN

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| 24. F30.477
\$1,508,146.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
C56129; Citywide Manhole & Basin (using ARP
Funds).
06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN | WITHDRAWN |
| 25. F30.478
\$246,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
C63808; Generator Replacement (using ARP
Funds).
06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – WITHDRAWN | WITHDRAWN |
| 26. F30.479
\$1,650,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
CPB500; District-Wide Indoor Air Quality using
ARP Funds.
06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – Approved by Planning Board
06/28/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 | APPROVED 9-0-0 |
| 27. F30.480
\$1,750,000.00
\$750,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
C16012; City Wide Storm Drains using ARP
Funds.
06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – Approved by Planning Board
06/28/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 | APPROVED 9-0-0 |
| 28. F30.481
\$50,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
CP0211; Environmental Compliance using ARP
Funds.
06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – Approved by Planning Board
06/28/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 | APPROVED 9-0-0 |
| 29. F30.482
\$500,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
C56129; Citywide Manhole & Basin using ARP
Funds.
06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – Approved by Planning Board
06/28/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 | APPROVED 9-0-0 |
| 30. F30.483
\$3,000,000.00
\$4,000,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
C56182; Street Patch & Resurfacing using ARP
Funds.
06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – Approved by Planning Board
06/28/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 | APPROVED 9-0-0 |

31. [F30.484](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **APPROVED 9-0-0**
\$60,000.00 C56201; Glenbrook Building Addition – New Hope
using ARP Funds.

06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – Approved by Planning Board
06/28/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

32. [F30.485](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **APPROVED 9-0-0**
\$1,400,000.00 C65200; Citywide Vehicle Replacement & Upgrade
using ARP Funds.

06/14/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
06/28/21 – Approved by Planning Board
06/28/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to approve Item Nos. 26 through 32 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fleischer, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor).

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 9:14 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).