



Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Sean Boeger, Co-Chair

Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair

Committee Report

Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2024
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: *This meeting was held in the Democratic Caucus Room, 888 Washington Blvd, Stamford, CT, 4th Floor and remotely.*

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance in person were Co-Chair Miller and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli and Morson. In attendance remotely were Co-Chair Boeger and Committee Member Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas. Also present in person was Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer. Also present remotely were Rep. Summerville; Jody Bishop-Pullan, Director of Health; Ben Barnes, Director of Administration; Bill Maguire, Assistant Director of OPM; and Frank Petise, Transportation, Traffic, and Parking Bureau Chief.

Co-Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. F31.330 \$500.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); State Library Historic Document Preservation Grant; Request Matches Grant Award, which was Increased from \$10,500 to \$11,000 (100% Grant Funded). 01/23/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 02/08/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Approved 9-0-1

Ms. Carpenter explained that this appropriation is to conform the appropriation to the award amount. This grant is for archiving and documentation.

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Camporeale, Fedeli, Goldberg, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor; Rep. Graham abstaining).

2. F31.329 \$9,743.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Grant from Connecticut Health Care Coalition for Department of Public Health Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) for a "Go Bag" Giveaway for the Community to Increase Family Disaster Preparedness. 01/11/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 02/08/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Approved 10-0-0
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Ms. Bishop-Pullan explained that this grant is to increase community resilience by providing families with backpacks that would enable them to be more prepared in the event of an emergency. Since some families are unable to stock up on these kinds of items, this will provide equal access to emergency preparedness materials. There will also be educational materials included.

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Camporeale, Fedeli, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor).

3. [F31.332](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into and Sign Agreements with the Connecticut Health Care Coalition for Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) "Go Bag" Giveaway (Source of Funds: 100% Grant Funded by CT Health Care Coalition). **Approved 11-0-0**
01/09/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

A motion to approve Item No. 3 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Camporeale, Fedeli, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor).

4. [F31.334](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 11-0-0**
\$2,558,239.66 001390; Traffic Engineering; Creation of a Microtransit Pilot Program to Enhance Transit and Mobility Options for Residents from Traditionally Underserved Neighborhoods and Reduce Traffic Congestion (Source of Funds: 100% State DOT Grant)
01/23/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/20/24 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
02/08/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Mr. Petise explained that this is a grant from the State for on-demand transit to supplement the fixed transit routes in the City. This will connect lower-service neighborhoods with downtown. The provider will be selected through an RFP process. Residents will be able to access the program through an app or by phone call.

A motion to approve Item No.4 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Camporeale, Fedeli, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor).

5. [F31.333](#) GRANTS RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into and Sign Agreements with the Connecticut Department of Transportation for the Microtransit Pilot Program. **Approved 11-0-0**
01/24/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

A motion to approve Item No.5 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Camporeale, Fedeli, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor).

6. [F31.331](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating **Approved 11-0-0**
\$1,500,000.00 Budget); Transfers from Salary line items to Contingency. [Replacing F31.323]
01/25/24 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons
02/08/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Mr. Maguire explained that this is a transfer of \$1.5 million from salary lines based on vacancy schedules as of December. These funds will be used for the next 3 items.

A motion to approve Item No.6 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Camporeale, Fedeli, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor).

7. F31.288 \$4,461,103.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Fire Wage Increase FY23/24; Request to Appropriate Funds per the Increased Obligations for FY23/24 per a Recent Contract Settlement (Source of Funds: Contingency). 10/30/23 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons 11/09/23 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0 11/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee 12/14/23 – Held by Board of Finance 12/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee 01/11/24 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0 01/29/24 – No Action Taken by Committee 02/08/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Approved 11-0-0
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This appropriation will move funds from contingency to cover the increased wage obligations for the fire union.

A motion to approve Item No.7 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Camporeale, Fedeli, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor).

8. F31.313 \$540,606.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); MAA Wage Increase FY23/24; Request to Appropriate Funds per the Increased Obligations for FY23/24 per a Recent Contract Settlement (Source of Funds: Contingency). 12/01/23 - Submitted by Ben Barnes 12/14/23 – Held by Board of Finance 12/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee 01/11/24 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0 01/29/24 – No Action Taken by Committee 02/08/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Approved 11-0-0
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This appropriation will move funds from contingency to cover the increased wage obligations for the MAA.

A motion to approve Item No.8 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Camporeale, Fedeli, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor).

9. [F31.315](#)
\$2,203,914.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Police Wage Increase FY23/24; Request to Appropriate Funds per the Increased Obligations for FY23/24 per a Recent Contract Settlement (Source of Funds: Contingency).
12/01/23 - Submitted by Ben Barnes
12/14/23 – Held by Board of Finance
12/27/23 – No Action Taken by Committee
01/11/24 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/29/24 – No Action Taken by Committee
02/08/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Approved 8-0-3

This appropriation will move funds from contingency to cover the increased wage obligations for the police union.

A motion to approve Item No.9 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Miller, Camporeale, Fedeli, Graham, Morson, Pierre-Louis, Shaw, and Tomas in favor; Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, and Goldberg abstaining).

Co-Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).