

30TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES CITY OF STAMFORD

President
MATTHEW QUINONES

Clerk of the Board
SUSAN NABEL

Majority Leader
RODNEY PRATT

Minority Leader
MARY L. FEDELI

ACTION REPORT

President Quinones called the meeting to order at 8:12 p.m. and read the call of the meeting:

I, Matthew Quinones, President of the 30th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, and pursuant to Section C2-10-4 of the Stamford Charter, hereby call a Special Meeting of said Board of Representatives at the following time and place:

Tuesday, May 1, 2018

8:00 p.m.
Legislative Chambers, 4th Floor
Government Center
888 Washington Boulevard
Stamford, CT 06904-2152

to consider and act upon the following:

1. Operating (including Board of Education budget), Capital, E.G. Brennan Golf Course Fund, Debt Service Fund, Risk Management Fund, Parking Fund, Active Medical Fund, Anti-Blight Programs Fund, Grant Funded Programs Fund, Police Extra Duty Fund, Harbor Commission Fund, Marina Operating Fund and WPCA Fund Budgets for the fiscal year 2018/2019, as transmitted by the Board of Finance on April 20, 2018, pursuant to provisions of Section C8-30-7 of the Stamford Charter; and RESOLUTIONS associated therewith.

AGENDA

INVOCATION: Led by Bishop James Hinton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Matthew Quinones

ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Susan Nabel. There were 36 members present and 4 absent or excused (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky present; Reps. Adams, DeLuca, Liebson and Lutz absent). See [Vote Record 2086](#).

¹COMMITTEE/BUDGET PRESENTATION: Monica Di Costanzo, Chair, Fiscal Committee

Chair Di Costanzo reviewed the Fiscal Committee's [recommended cuts](#) to the City's Operations Budget below and moved to approve the City's Operating Budget as cut by the committee, which motion was seconded.

<u>Operating Budget</u>	<u>Committee Action</u>
Page 29 - \$5,000 – Administration / Director of Administration / Full Time Salary	APPROVED 9-1-0
Page 115 – \$150,000 – Facilities & Parks Maintenance / Beaches & Parks Enforcement / Purchased Property Services	APPROVED 7-3-0
Page 179 – \$15,000 – Operations Administration / Operations Administration / Full Time Salary	APPROVED 10-0-0
Page 187 – \$5,000 – Public Safety, Health & Welfare / Public Safety, Health & Welfare Admin / Full Time Salary	APPROVED 7-2-1
Page 194 – \$250,000 – Public Safety, Health & Welfare / Police Department / Overtime	APPROVED 6-3-1
Page 250 – \$5,000 – Legal Affairs / Legal Department / Full Time Salary	APPROVED 10-0-0
Page 250 – \$50,000 – Legal Affairs / Legal Department / Purchased Professional Services	APPROVED 7-2-1
Page 266 – \$120,094 – Mayor's Office / Citizen's Service Center / Citizens' Services Manager	APPROVED 7-3-0

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Page 269 – \$10,000 – **APPROVED 9-1-0**
Mayor's Office / Mayor's
Office / Full Time Salary

Page 269 – \$63,909 – **APPROVED 10-0-0**
Mayor's Office / Mayor's
Office / Other Salary

Page 279 – \$2,086 – **APPROVED 10-0-0 (**
Government Services /
Town and City Clerk / Full
Time Salary

Total **\$ 676,089**

President Quinones stated that the Board would vote to approve the report of the Fiscal Committee as a whole and called for any motions to amend the report.

²A motion to cut an additional \$150,000 from Page 115 - Facilities & Parks Maintenance / Beaches & Parks Enforcement / Purchased Property Services was made and seconded.

³A motion was made to take the vote on this motion by a roll call vote was seconded and approved by a vote of 26-9-1 (Reps. Aquila, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Graziosi, Kolenberg, Matherne, McGarry, Michelson, Miller, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Coleman, DePina, Giordano, Jacobson, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, McMullen and Moore opposed; Rep. Quinones abstaining). See [Vote Record 2087](#).

⁴The motion to cut \$150,000 from Facilities & Parks Maintenance / Beaches & Parks Enforcement / Purchased Property Services was approved by a roll call vote of 27-9-0 (Reps. Aquila, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Figueroa, Graziosi, Kolenberg, Lee, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Coleman, DePina, Di Costanzo, Giordano, Jacobson, Lion, Morson, Nabel and Quinones opposed).

⁵It was noted that the Fiscal Committee had voted to include a recommendation in the budget transmittal to the Board of Finance that the \$150,000 cut approved by that committee be placed in contingency. A motion to amend this to a recommendation in the budget transmittal to the Board of Finance that the \$300,000 cut be placed in contingency was made and seconded.

A friendly amendment to the motion to specify that the funds be placed in contingency "to be used for park police" was made and accepted.

A friendly amendment to the motion to specify that the funds be placed in contingency "to be used for policing the parks" was made and rejected.

A friendly amendment to the motion to change the amount to the amount requested by the department less the Mayor's cut: \$171,600, was accepted.

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This motion and the second were subsequently withdrawn.

Chair Di Costanzo noted that in light of the Board's vote, the original recommendation of the Committee is no longer valid.

⁶A motion to cut \$130,000 from Page 188, Public Safety, Health & Welfare / Emergency Communications Center / 911 Director was made, seconded and failed by a vote of 3-32-0 (Reps. McGarry, , Saftic and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, Matherne, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins opposed). See [Vote Record 2088](#).

⁷A motion to include a recommendation in the budget transmittal to the Board of Finance that the \$300,000 cut from Facilities & Parks Maintenance / Beaches & Parks Enforcement / Purchased Property Services be placed in contingency was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 33-1-1 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. Mahoney opposed; Rep. Quinones abstaining). See [Vote Record 2089](#).

⁸A motion to cut \$2,827,192 from Page 16, line 7 (\$3,653,281 total cut including previous cuts and the Fiscal Committee recommendations), City Operating Budget was made and seconded.

A motion to move the question was made and seconded and approved by a vote of 27-8-1 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, , Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Lee, Lion, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Pendell and Watkins opposed.) See [Vote Record 2090](#).

The Board took a 5 minute recess at 10:10 pm and reconvened at 10:15 pm.

The motion to cut \$2,827,192 from the General Operating Budget (non-Board of Education) failed by a vote of 14-21-0 (Reps. Aquila, Cottrell, Fedeli, Graziosi, Kolenberg, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen, Miller, Pia, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Coleman, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Figueroa, Giordano, Jacobson, Lee, Lion, Matherne, Michelson, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Pendell, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins opposed.) See [Vote Record 2091](#).

⁹A motion to cut and additional \$1,413,596 from Page 16, line 7, City Operating Budget was made and seconded.

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A friendly amendment was made to exclude outside agencies from this cut, which amendment was accepted.

¹⁰A motion to move the question was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 31-5-0 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lion, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Cottrell, Lee, Matherne, Pendell and Roqueta opposed.) See [Vote Record 2092](#).

The motion to cut \$1,413,596 from the General Operating Budget (non-Board of Education) was approved by a vote of 21-15-0 (Reps. Aquila, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Graziosi, Kolenberg, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Nabel, Patterson, Pia, Saftic, Sherwood, Summerville, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Coleman, DePina, Di Costanzo, Figueroa, Giordano, Jacobson, Lee, Lion, Morson, Pendell, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Stella and Wallace opposed.) See [Vote Record 2093](#).

¹¹A motion to cut \$76,463 from page 268, Mayor's Office / Special Asst/City Info Mgr was made and seconded.

¹²A motion to move the question was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 30-5-1 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, de la Cruz, DePina, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Stella, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins in favor; Reps. Cottrell, Di Costanzo, Matherne, Sherwood and Zelinsky opposed; Rep. Saftic abstaining.) See [Vote Record 2094](#).

The motion to cut \$76,463 from page 268, Mayor's Office / Special Asst/City Info Mgr failed by a vote of 14-20-1 (Reps. Aquila, Cottrell, Graziosi, Kolenberg, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Patterson, Pendell, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Coleman, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Jacobson, Lee, Lion, Michelson, Miller, Morson, Nabel, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Stella, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins opposed; Rep. Moore abstaining.) See [Vote Record 2095](#).

¹³A motion to cut \$160,000 from page 269, Mayor's Office / Other Salary was made, and seconded.

¹⁴A motion to move the question was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 33-3-0 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins in favor; Reps. Cottrell, Matherne, and Zelinsky opposed.) See [Vote Record 2096](#).

The motion to cut \$160,000 from page 269, Mayor's Office / Other Salary failed by a vote of 8-28-0 (Reps. Cottrell, Kolenberg, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen, Roqueta, Saftic and Zelinsky in

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favor; Reps. Aquila, Coleman, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Lee, Lion, Matherne, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins opposed.) See [Vote Record 2097](#).

¹⁵A motion to restore \$120,094 to Page 266, Mayor's Office / Citizens Services / Citizens Services Manager was made and seconded. A friendly amendment to change this amount to \$85,000 was accepted.

¹⁶A motion to move the question was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 30-6-0 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, DePina, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Mahoney, Matherne, Morson and Zelinsky opposed.) See [Vote Record 2098](#).

A motion to restore \$85,000 to Page 266, Mayor's Office / Citizens Services / Citizens Services Manager failed by a vote of 13-21-1 (Reps. Coleman, DePina, Di Costanzo, Figueroa, Giordano, Jacobson, Lee, Lion, Miller, Morson, Pendell, Wallace and Watkins in favor; Reps. Aquila, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Graziosi, Kolenberg, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Moore, Nabel, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville and Zelinsky opposed; Rep. Fedeli abstaining.) See [Vote Record 2099](#).

A motion to hold the vote on the Operating Budget was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

¹⁷Chair Di Costanzo reported that the Fiscal Committee took no action on the City's Board of Education Budget and moved to approve of the Board of Education Budget, in the amount of \$272,790,679, which motion was seconded.

¹⁸A motion to cut \$585,500 from the Board of Education Budget was made, seconded and failed by a vote of 1-32-2 (Rep. Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, Matherne, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Roqueta, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace and Watkins opposed; Reps. Quinones and Saftic abstaining). See [Vote Record 2100](#).

¹⁹The motion to approve the Board of Education Budget, in the amount of \$272,790,679, was approved by a vote of 35-0-1 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. Quinones abstaining.) See [Vote Record 2101](#).

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²⁰The motion to approve the Operating Budget, in the amount of \$564,128,203, including Board of Education support, was approved by a vote of 35-0-1 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. DePina abstaining.) See [Vote Record 2102](#).

²¹Chair Di Costanzo made a motion to approve the following Funds Budgets on Consent:

E. G. Brennan Fund	\$1,347,259
Debt Service Fund	\$56,748,215
Risk Management Fund	\$13,370,226
Parking Fund	\$7,180,000
Active Medical Fund	\$38,657,740
Anti- Blight Programs Fund	\$328,055
Grant Funded Programs Fund	\$10,384,333
Police Extra Duty Fund	\$10,303,000
Harbor Commission Fund	\$48,459
Marina Operating Fund	\$373,978
WPCA Fund	\$27,275,550

The above fund budgets were approved by on consent by unanimous voice vote.

²² Chair Di Costanzo reported that the Fiscal Committee took no action on the City's Capital Budget, but there are edits to the Capital Budget amount to change the total amount to \$50,227,711 (to include the WPCA) and authorization for the issuance of general obligation bonds amount to \$19,940,000 (to include the Parking Fund). A motion to amend the Capital Budget to \$50,227,711 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 35-0-0 (Reps. Aquila, Coleman, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Graziosi, Jacobson, Kolenberg, Lee, Lion, Mahoney, Matherne, McGarry, McMullen, Michelson, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pendell, Pia, Pratt, Quinones, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor.) See [Vote Record 2103](#).

²³A motion to amend the amount of the Operating Budget Resolution to \$564,128,203, including Board of Education support, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

²⁴A motion to approve the Operating Budget Resolution, in the amount of \$564,128,203, including Board of Education support, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

²⁵A motion to approve the Board of Education Budget Resolution, in the amount of \$272,790,679, including Board of Education support, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote (*Rep. Quinones abstaining*).

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²⁶A motion was made to approve the Special Funds Budgets Resolution in the amounts of:

\$1,347,259 - E. G. Brennan Fund
\$56,748,215 - Debt Service Fund
\$13,370,226 - Risk Management Fund
\$7,180,000 - Parking Fund
\$38,657,740 - Active Medical Fund
\$328,055 - Anti-Blight Programs Fund
\$10,384,333 - Grant Funded Programs Fund,
\$10,303,000 - Police Extra Duty Fund
\$48,459 - Harbor Commission Fund
\$373,978 - Marina Operating Fund
\$27,275,550 - WPCA Fund

Said motion was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote

²⁷A motion to amend the Capital Budget Resolution to \$50,227,711, including an authorization for the issuance of general obligation bonds amount to \$19,940,000 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote

A motion to approve the Capital Budget Resolution, as amended, in the amount of \$50,227,711, including an authorization for the issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$19,940,000 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote

ADJOURNMENT:

President Quinones adjourned the meeting at 11:48 p.m.

This meeting is on video ([Pt. 1](#) & [Pt. 2](#))

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