



**Fiscal Committee -
Board of Representatives**

Monica Di Costanzo, Co-Chair

Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair

**Committee Budget Meeting
Report**

Date: Monday, April 25, 2022
Time: 6:30 p.m. (preceded by monthly Fiscal committee meeting at 6:00pm)
Place: Meeting was held in the Democratic Caucus Room, 888 Washington Blvd, Stamford, CT and Remotely.

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above to review the Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget. In attendance were Co-Chairs Di Costanzo and Miller (remotely), and Committee Member Reps. Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio (remotely), Morson, Nabel, Pierre-Louis and Tomas. Absent was Rep. Coleman. Also present were Reps. Adams, Berns, Campbell, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Goldberg, Moore, Sandford, Sherwood, Stella, Walston, and Watkins; Sandra Dennies, Director of Administration; and Lee Berta and Anthony Romano, OPM.

Co-Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

The Committee first discussed the process to be followed at the meeting. A motion to amend the rules to go in order without returning to prior sections was made, seconded and failed by a two-thirds vote of 6-4-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Florio, Morson, and Nabel in favor; Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Pierre-Louis, and Tomas opposed).

The Committee first considered the Board of Education Budget. There were no motions to reduce the Board of Education Budget.

The Committee then considered the WPCA Budget. There were no motions to reduce the WPCA Budget.

The Committee then considered the Capital Budget. There were no motions to reduce the Capital Budget.

The following motions were made to reduce the following appropriations in the Operating Budget:

<u>Operating Budget Book Page</u>	<u>Proposed Cut</u>	<u>Committee Action</u>
¹ Page 46 – Administration / Office of Policy & Management / Office of Policy & Management	\$65,000 – OPM Director	FAILED 4-6-0 (Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Florio, Morson, & Nabel opposed)

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<u>Operating Budget Book Page</u>	<u>Proposed Cut</u>	<u>Committee Action</u>
² Page 48 – Administration / Office of Policy & Management / Office of Policy & Management	\$20,000 – Total Expenditures	FAILED 4-6-0 (Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Florio, Morson, & Nabel opposed)
³ Page 46 – Administration / Office of Policy & Management / Office of Policy & Management	\$9,840 – OPM Director	APPROVED 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Morson, Nabel, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor)
⁴ Page 127 – Operations / Facilities & Parks Maintenance / Old Town Hall	\$52,000 – Contracted Services – Property Management	APPROVED 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Morson, Nabel, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor)
⁵ Page 221 – Public Safety, Health & Welfare / Police Department	\$266,419 – Total Expenditures	APPROVED 2-1-7 (Reps. Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Rep. Miller opposed Reps. Di Costanzo, Boeger, Figueroa, Fedeli, Florio, Morson, & Nabel abstaining)
⁶ Page 295 – Legal Affairs / Legal Affairs / Legal Department	\$156,924 – Professional Consultant	APPROVED 9-1-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Morson, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Rep. Nabel opposed)
⁷ Page 309 – Government Services / Mayor’s Office / Economic Development	\$132,540 – Salaries	APPROVED 8-2-0 (Reps. Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Nabel, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo & Morson opposed)

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<u>Operating Budget Book Page</u>	<u>Proposed Cut</u>	<u>Committee Action</u>
⁸ Page 330 – Government Services / Government Services / Town & City Clerk	\$8,000 – Contracted Services	APPROVED 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Morson, Nabel, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor)
⁹ Page 330 – Government Services / Government Services / Town & City Clerk	\$10,000 – Postage	APPROVED 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Morson, Nabel, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor)
¹⁰ Page 331 – Government Services / Government Services / Town & City Clerk	\$7,100 – Special Election	APPROVED 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Morson, Nabel, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor)
¹¹ Page 331 – Government Services / Government Services / Town & City Clerk	\$6,650 – Election Expenses	APPROVED 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Morson, Nabel, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor)
¹² Page 336 – Government Services / Government Services / Registrar of Voters	\$52,700 – Special Election	APPROVED 10-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Morson, Nabel, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor)
¹³ Page 350 – Community Grants / Non City Agencies / Cultural & Environmental	\$65,000 – Stamford Museum & Nature Center	APPROVED 5-4-1 (Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Florio, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Morson, & Nabel opposed; Rep. Fedeli abstaining)
¹⁴ Page 350 – Community Grants / Non City Agencies / Cultural & Environmental	\$25,000 – DSSD	FAILED 4-6-0 (Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Florio, Morson, & Nabel opposed)

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<u>Operating Budget Book Page</u>	<u>Proposed Cut</u>	<u>Committee Action</u>
¹⁵ Page 350 – Community Grants / Non City Agencies / Cultural & Environmental	\$65,000 – Stamford Partnership	FAILED 4-6-0 (Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Florio, Morson, & Nabel opposed)
¹⁶ Page 350 – Community Grants / Non City Agencies / Cultural & Environmental	\$40,000 – Sound Waters	FAILED 4-6-0 (Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Florio, Morson, & Nabel opposed)
¹⁷ Page 350 – Community Grants / Non City Agencies / Cultural & Environmental	\$675,200 – Mill River Collaborative	FAILED 4-6-0 (Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Florio, Morson, & Nabel opposed)
¹⁸ Page 350 – Community Grants / Non City Agencies / Cultural & Environmental	\$175,200 – Mill River Collaborative	APPROVED 8-2-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Fedeli, Figueroa, Florio, Pierre-Louis, & Tomas in favor; Reps. Morson and Nabel opposed)

The Committee took a break at 11:01 p.m. and resumed at 11:09 p.m.

The calculations for the budget resolutions will be prepared for the May 3, 2022 special meeting of the full board.

Co-Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

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

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