



Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

Anzelmo Graziosi, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, March 26, 2018

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Democratic Caucus Room, 4th Floor, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06905-2098

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo, Vice Chair Graziosi and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pia. Absent or excused were Reps. Miller and Pendell. Also present were Rep. Lion; Jay Fountain, OPM; Chief Trevor Roach and Assistant Chief Miguel Robles, Stamford Fire Department; Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer and Lou Casolo, City Engineer.

Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. F30.046 \$31,990.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Electronic Citation Program; Funding from CT Dept. of Transportation to Implement a Computerized System to Issue, Track and Transmit Traffic Citations. (100% grant funded) 03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 03/08/18 – Approved by Board of Finance	APPROVED 6-0-1

Ms. Cammarota stated that these funds were appropriated last year. Not all of the funds were used and the State had let the grant continue to this year. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 6-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa and Nabel in favor; Rep. McMullen abstaining).

2. F30.047 \$6,300.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Provides Support For Medical Reserve Corp, a Volunteer Unit Trained to Assist During Public health Emergencies; Funds will be Used to Pay for Supplies. (100% grant funded) 03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 03/08/18 – Approved by Board of Finance	APPROVED 8-0-0
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Ms. Cammarota explained that this is a grant through the Westport /Weston Health Department for a citizens corps in the event of a public health emergency. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor).

3. [F30.048](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); **APPROVED 8-0-0**
\$15,871.00 Dental Sealant Program; Program Fully Funded by State, Additional Appropriation Required due to Increase in the Award. (100% grant funded)
03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
03/08/18 – Approved by Board of Finance

Ms. Cammarota stated that the State gave additional funds for this grant which will be used to purchase equipment. A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor).

4. [F30.049](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); **HELD 8-0-0**
\$700,000.00 Transfer funds that are needed to cover Q2 Projections for FY17/18 Public Safety, Health and Welfare; Shortfall in Differential Account for Fire (\$200,000); Shortfall in Patrol/Overtime for Police (\$500,000).
03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
03/08/18 – Approved by Board of Finance

Chief Roach explained that there was a budget reduction in the Overtime and Differential Accounts last year and the Fire Department was hit very hard by the flu, which required overtime coverage. Many officers were out at least 3 shifts. Mr. Fountain explained that this is a year-end projection based upon the Q2 spending. Committee members expressed concern that no representative of the Police Department was present. A motion to hold this item until 6:00 p.m. on April 2, 2018 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor).

5. [F30.054](#) REJECTION; Capital Project Closeout: Project No. **NO ACTION**
\$132,806.00 CP7419, Public Safety Equipment Replacement and **TAKEN**
Upgrade.
03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
03/06/18 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
03/08/18 – No Action Taken by Board of Finance

6. [F30.050](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **APPROVED 8-0-1**
\$132,806.00 Fire Apparatus; To Cover Arbitration Award: Damages to Springdale for Breach of Obligation to Provide Apparatus by Failing to Reimburse Springdale for its Expenditure to Replace Rescue Vehicle in 2003.
03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
03/06/18 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
03/08/18 – Approved by Board of Finance

Items 5 and 6 were discussed together. Chief Roach explained that there was an arbitration with the Springdale Fire Company after 4 years of mediation claiming that the City had not funded Springdale. This amount is a capital appropriation to reimburse Springdale for its capital spending. A motion to approve Item 5 was made, but did not receive a second. A motion to approve Item 6 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson and Nabel in favor; Rep. Pia abstaining).

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| 7. F30.051
\$146,752.42 | REJECTION; Capital Project Closeout: Project No. C5B005, Boyle Stadium.
03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
03/06/18 – Approved by Planning Board
03/08/18 – No Action Taken by Board of Finance | NO ACTION TAKEN |
| 8. F30.052
\$146,752.42 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget) Boyle Stadium Renovation/Upgrade.
03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
03/06/18 – Approved by Planning Board
03/08/18 – Approved by Board of Finance | APPROVED 9-0-0 |
| 9. F30.053 | RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 17/18 by Adding an Appropriation of \$146,753 for the Boyle Stadium Project and Authorizing \$146,753 General Obligation Bonds of the City to meet said Appropriation.
03/06/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
03/08/18 – Approved by Board of Finance | APPROVED 9-0-0 |

Items 7, 8 and 9 were discussed together. Mr. Casolo explained that the City began a project to renovate Boyle Stadium in 2009. The City had a \$200,000 grant for historic restoration which was used, along with bond funds. Greater deterioration than expected was discovered so the restoration was only done to the visitors' side. DECD awarded another \$200,000 grant for the home side. Once the visitors' side was completed, lead was discovered in the turf, requiring cleanup of the turf. This needed to be done before the home side could be restored. The grant expired and no extension was granted. These items are a closeout of the remaining grant funds and an additional appropriation for the remaining restoration.

A motion to approve Item 7 was made, but did not receive a second.

A motion to approve Item 8 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pia in favor).

A motion to approve Item 9 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Graziosi, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel and Pia in favor).

Under a Suspension of the Rules:

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| 10. F30.055 | RESOLUTION; Authorizing an Application for the Brownfield Area-Wide Revitalization Planning Program.
03/20/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin | APPROVED 7-0-2 |
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A motion to suspend the rules to take up Item 10 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7-2-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Morson, Nabel and Pia in favor; Reps. Graziosi and McMullen opposed).

Ms. Cammarota explained that this resolution is required by DECD in connection with an application for \$200,000 to redevelop Greenwich Ave near Davenport Rd. The matching

funds are already appropriated, but the City learned of the application deadline after Steering and the resolution needs to be taken up by the full Board at the April meeting.

A motion to approve Item 10 was made, seconded and approved by Reps. Di Costanzo, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Morson, Nabel and Pia in favor; Reps. Graziosi and McMullen abstaining).

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).