



Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Chair Lindsey Miller, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, August 27, 2018
Time: 7:00 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 Miller, and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel, and Pendell. Excused were Reps. Jacobson and Pia. Also present was Rep. Summerville; Jay Fountain, OPM; David Yanik, Controller; Scott Duckworth, SPD; Ellen Bromley, Social Services; Lou Casolo, Engineering; and Rick Redniss, Veterans Park Partnership.

Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
¹ 1. F30.087 \$80,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Funding of Police Patrol Communications Utility Account (from Contingency). 08/07/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin 08/16/18 – Approved by Board of Finance	Approved 8-1-0

Mr. Fountain reviewed the contingency report ([attached](#)). Reserve contingency is set aside and can only be used through cooperation by the Boards. Lt. Duckworth explained this item was an oversight and did not get put in the budget. This amount is used to hook up the modems in the patrol cars to the NCIC system. There was Committee discussion.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-1-0 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel, and Pendell in favor; Rep. Coleman opposed).

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- ²2. [F30.088](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 4-0-5**
\$805,648.00 Affordable Housing/Zoning Initiative (Fee-in-lieu
payment).
08/07/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
08/07/18 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
08/16/18 – Approved by Board of Finance

Ms. Bromley explained the item, and distributed the Inclusionary Zoning Sec. 8-2i ([attached](#)) and the Stamford Zoning Regulations Sec. 7.4 ([attached](#)). The idea is that 10% of a development has to be affordable housing, or the developer must give a fee-in-lieu payment, and that money goes into an affordable housing fund. The fund finds a development to partner with. This satisfies the state statute. Under state law the Zoning Board is allowed to place the funds. The Committee discussed the item.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 4-0-5 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, and Morson in favor; Reps. Coleman, Figueroa, McMullen, Nabel, and Pendell abstaining).

- ³3. [F30.089](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **Approved 8-0-1**
\$2,000,000.00 Veterans Park Renovation (100% grant funded).
08/07/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
08/07/18 – Approved by [Planning Board](#)
08/16/18 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Casolo gave an overview of the item. The project is going well. There is a completion date of November 10, 2019. There are alternates to the project and these funds will help to continue the work. All the monuments will remain in the park with the exception of the structure that housed the constitutional documents, which had water damage. There will be a Groundbreaking on the site Wed., Sept. 5, 2018 1:00pm.

A motion to approve this item was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 8-0-1 (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Fedeli, Figueroa, McMullen, Morson, Nabel, and Pendell in favor; Rep. Coleman abstaining).

- ⁴4. [F30.091](#) APPROVAL; Ceridian Payroll Solution Software **Approved 9-0-0**
Agreement.
08/07/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
08/16/18 – Approved by Board of Finance

Mr. Yanik explained the item. The funding is already in place (CP9103). The current software uses 1980's system architecture, with several customizations and therefore cannot be updated with regular updates. The current software platform will no longer be supported as of the end of 2019. The City has looked at outsourcing payroll but there are too many challenges with this, and there are a variety of payroll processes involved. Ceridian best meets the City's needs for payroll services and the price is comparable to other software. There is no significant cost increase over the current system. The Committee discussed this item.

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

⁵5. [F30.090](#) REVIEW; City Fees and Charges. **Report Made**
08/08/18 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Mr. Fountain gave an overview of the current City fees and charges. Some fees are staying the same, some fees have proposed increases. He will be submitting to the Committee a more detailed analysis of these figures. Additionally, he will submit a comprehensive overview of fees to the Committee on a quarterly basis.

Chair Di Costanzo said there will be additional budget training for board members scheduled soon.

Rep. Miller will chair the budget review sub-committee and organize its first meeting in early Sept.

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).

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