

Fiscal Committee - Board of Representatives

Monica Di Costanzo, Co-Chair Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair

Committee Report

Date:Monday, July 25, 2022Time:7:00 p.m.Place:This meeting was held in the Democratic Caucus Room and remotely.

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs Di Costanzo and Miller and Committee Member Reps. Boeger (online), Coleman (online), Fedeli, Figueroa (online), Nabel, and Pierre-Louis (online). Excused were Reps. Morson and Tomas. Rep. Figueroa joined at 7:18 p.m. Also present were Elda Sinani, Director of OPM; Sandra Dennies, Director of Administration; and Matthew Quinones, Director of Operations.

Co-Chair Di Costanzo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. <u>F31.071</u> \$13,611.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Appropriation of Funds to pay Current Year Wage Settlements (FY23) via Tentative Agreement with Dental Hygienists Union (Source of Funds: Contingency). 07/06/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 07/14/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Approved 7-0-0

Dr. Sinani explained that this appropriation is from contingency for the current year wage settlement agreed upon between the City and the Union.

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Coleman, Fedeli, Nabel, and Pierre-Louis in favor.)

2. <u>F31.072</u>	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating	Approved 7-0-0
\$6,730.00	Budget); Appropriation of Funds to pay Retroactive	
	Wage Settlements (FY22) via Tentative Agreement	
	with Dental Hygienists Union (Source of Funds:	
	Fund Balance).	
	07/06/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons	
	07/14/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	

Dr. Sinani explained that this appropriation is from fund balance for the retroactive wage settlement agreed upon between the City and the Union.

Rep. Fedeli pointed out that both agreements were considered and approved by the Personnel Committee.

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Coleman, Fedeli, Nabel, and Pierre-Louis in favor.)

07/06/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 07/14/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	3. <u>F31.073</u> \$1,098,156.00		Approved 7-0-0
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Dr. Sinani explained that this appropriation is from contingency for the current year wage settlement agreed upon between the City and the Union. This contract has a 3 year term and expires in 2024

A motion to approve Item No. 3 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Coleman, Fedeli, Nabel, and Pierre-Louis in favor.)

4 <u>F31.074</u>	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating	Approved 7 -0-0
\$900,537.00	Budget); Appropriation of Funds to pay Retroactive	
	Wage Settlements (FY22) via Tentative Agreement	
	with IUOE Local 30 (Municipal Services and	
	Operations) (Source of Funds: Fund Balance).	
	07/06/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons	
	07/14/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	

Dr. Sinani explained that this appropriation is from fund balance for the retroactive wage settlement agreed upon between the City and the Union.

A motion to approve Item No. 4 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Coleman, Fedeli, Nabel, and Pierre-Louis in favor.)

5. <u>F31.070</u> \$500,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); 001265; Barrett Park; Funding for Traffic Signal Infrastructure Improvements Related to	Approved, as amended, 8 -0-0
	Development <u>Playground Upgrades</u> (100% State Grant funded)	
	06/16/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons	
	06/28/22 - Approved by Planning Board	
	07/14/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	

Director Quinones explained that the backup for this item will be updated to reflect the request more accurately. Specifically, the City will assess multiple options for play surfacing rather than the use of poured-in-place rubber safety surfacing for the playground due to safety concerns. The Board of Finance was aware of this change. In addition, the City will be seeking other funding sources for the traffic improvements, which are not part of how this funding will be used. This funding will be used solely for the playground renovations, with a focus on universal access, adventure play, and items brought forth during community outreach..

A motion to amend the description of this item as follows:

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); 001265; Barrett Park; Funding for-Traffic Signal Infrastructure Improvements Related to Development <u>Playground</u> <u>Upgrades</u> (100% State Grant funded) was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Nabel, and Pierre-Louis in favor.)

A motion to approve Item No. 5 as amended was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Di Costanzo, Miller, Boeger, Coleman, Fedeli, Figueroa, Nabel, and Pierre-Louis in favor.

Chair Di Costanzo adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Monica Di Costanzo, Co-Chair

This meeting is on video