

Fiscal Committee -Board of Representatives

Sean Boeger, Co-Chair

Mary Fedeli, Co-Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, August 25, 2025

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: This meeting was held in the Democratic Caucus Room, 888 Washington Blvd, Stamford, CT,

4th Floor and remotely.

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger and Committee Member Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Tomas, and Vandervoort. Also in attendance were Rep. Adams, Summerville, and Walston; Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer; Rex Morris, Stamford Fire Chief; Miguel Robles, Asst Fire Chief, Director – CERT; Luke Buttenwieser, Junior Transportation Planner; Lou Casolo, City Engineer; Thomas Turk, Road Maintenance Division Manager; Chris Dellaselva, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Anthony Romano, Budget/ERP Business System Administrative Manager; Paula Russell, Director of Human Resources; Butch Scott, Director of Facilities and Sustainability; Elda Sinani, Director of Office of Policy and Management, Frank Petise, Transportation Bureau Chief, and Ben Barnes, Director of Administration/Trustee. Absent or excused were Reps. Pierre-Louis and Shaw.

Co-Chair Fedeli called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. <u>F31.580</u> \$1,091,150.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (OPERATING); Fire Wage Payout – Contingency \$1,091,150.00 – to appropriate funds per the increased obligations per a recent contract settlement with the Stamford Professional Firefighters Union 08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 08/13/2025 – Held by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Held
2. <u>F31.581</u> \$500,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (OPERATING); Parking – Vehicle Main \$500,000.00 License Plate Readers for parking enforcement fleet to enhance efficiency of parking operations. 08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	Motion to approve 9/0/0

Luke Buttenwieser gave a brief summary:

- \$500,000 comes from the surplus of the parking fund.
 - o Allocated for license plate readers to be installed on parking enforcement vehicles.
- Officers currently manage 10 parking spaces.
- Cameras will automate license plate checks, eliminating manual entry in garages.

- System will also monitor beaches, residential permit zones, and train station lots.
- Vehicles equipped with readers will notify officers if a car lacks a valid permit or payment.
- Enables "chalking" cars digitally to track time limits, especially in non-metered areas.
- Aims to improve enforcement coverage and free up resources to monitor underserved areas.

A motion to approve Item 2 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

3. F31.583 \$3,300,000,00 **APPROPRIATION**; of Prior Year General Fund Parking Balance FY22/23 of \$3,300,000 to Capital Non-Recurring Fund

Motion to approve 9/0/1

08/06/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Manager Romano provided an overview:

- Moving \$3.3 million from the park and fund balance to the capital non recurrent account.
- \$3.3 million will be applied to parking capital projects.

A motion to approve Item 3 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 9-0-1 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor, Rep. Figueroa abstained).

4. F31.584 \$220.000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL); Project: 001362 Old Long Ridge Road Bridge #135010; for design

Motion to approve 10/0/0

engineering; Fund Source: Bond \$110,000 and State Grant

\$110,000

08/06/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to take up Items 3 and 7 together was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 9-0-1 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor, Rep. Figueroa abstained).

City Engineer Casolo outlined the following:

- \$220,000 allocated for design engineering fees.
- The grant was applied for at the end of May and a letter of commitment was received in June.
- State-local bridge program grant with a 50/50 cost split.

A motion to approve Item 4 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

5. F31.595

RESOLUTION; Amending The Capital Budget For Fiscal Year 2024-2025 By Adding An Appropriation Of \$220,000 For The Old Long Ridge Rd Bridge #135010 And Authorizing \$110,000 General Obligation Bonds Of The City To Meet Said

Motion to approve 10/0/0

Appropriation

08/07/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to approve Item 5 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

6. <u>F31.585</u> \$150,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL); Project:

Motion to approve 10/0/0

C56174 Citywide Signals; funding for traffic signal upgrades on Broad Street required as a condition of zoning approval for 74 Broad Street.

08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Transportation Buttenwieser highlighted the following:

- Is a private contribution from the developer at 74 Broad St.
- The developer was obligated to give us an A contribution of \$150,000 for traffic signal upgrades on Broad Street.
 - Primarily at the intersection of broad and summer.

A motion to approve Item 6 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

7. <u>F31.586</u> \$2,500,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL); Project:

08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Motion to approve 10/0/0

CP8500 Parking Improvements; Capital repairs in City owned parking garages as identified by facility assessments 08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

Transportation Buttenwieser outlined the following:

- \$3.3 million, entirely from surplus in the parking fund (no bonding involved).
- Primary Allocation of \$2.5M:
 - o Concrete work and waterproofing across all levels of the Fell Street garage.
 - Installation of new drainage systems to protect structural integrity.
 - o Painting of structural steel to prevent water damage and deterioration of concrete and rebar.
- Painting structural steel helps extend the lifespan of the garages.
- Remaining funds of \$800K were previously approved and spent on capital upgrades at the Bedford Street garage.
- Part of an ongoing effort to address \$20 million in capital needs identified through facility assessments conducted several years ago.

A motion to approve Item 7 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

8. <u>F31.587</u> \$719,123.36

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL); Project:

Motion to approve 10/0/0

CP8711 Utility Paving; Reimbursement to the City from the Utility Company for their share of the paving costs due to their construction activity for the roads coordinated to be paved full width by the City

08/06/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 - Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Division Manager Turk explained:

- Utilities are responsible for paving only the sections they impact, which can leave the rest of the road in poor condition.
- To avoid partial repairs, the city works with engineering to identify roads that should be paved curb-to-curb.
- The city handles full paving and receives reimbursement from utilities for their portion.
- The funds discussed represent checks owed by utilities for approximately 30 roads.
 - o A few roads have already been completed.
 - o About 29 more are scheduled for paving within the next two months.

A motion to approve Item 8 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

9. <u>F31.588</u> \$13,642.83

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL); Project: CP9351 Hydrant Replacement; Insurance claims for replacement of 2 Hydrants (equipment only)

08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 Motion to approve 10/0/0

A motion to approve Item 9 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

10. <u>F31.589</u> \$5,000,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL); Project: CP4000068 Cummings Park; \$5M grant awarded for final design and construction; 50% City match required. Includes

court renovations, parking lot upgrades, and pavilion/promenade improvements.

08/06/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Motion to approve 10/0/0

A motion to approve Item 10 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

11. F31.590

GRANTS RESOLUTION; Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into And Sign Agreements With The Connecticut Department Of Energy And Environmental Protection For Cummings Park And West Beach 08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

Motion to approve 10/0/0

A motion to approve Item 11 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 10-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

12. <u>F31.591</u> \$1,303,840.99

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL); Project:

Motion to approve 8/0/0

Motion to

Motion to approve 9/0/0

Motion to

approve 9/0/0

approve 8/0/0

CP4000074 Lathon Wider Property Claim; Property insurance reimbursement check to cover the cost of mechanical

replacements at the Lathon Wider Center from a water damage claim that occurred in January 2025

08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to approve Item 12 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Goldberg, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

13. <u>F31.592</u> \$25,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (GRANTS); GF3000007 -

Youth Summer Employment - Annually funded Mayor's office contribution to the Mayor's Youth Employment Program; FY24/25 appropriation funds season employees of the

Summer Youth Employment Program 08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 - Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to approve Item 13 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Goldberg, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

14. <u>F31.593</u> \$25,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (GRANTS); GF3000007 -

Youth Summer Employment - Annually funded Mayor's office contribution to the Mayor's Youth Employment Program; FY25/26 appropriation funds season employees of the

Summer Youth Employment Program

08/06/2025 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to approve Item 14 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

15. F31.594

APPROVAL; of an Agreement with IGM Technology Corp for the City's budgeting and capital planning software (RFP No.

2025.0244)

08/05/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons

08/13/2025 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to approve Item 15 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 9-0-0 (Co-Chair Fedeli, Co-Chair Boeger, Reps. Camporeale, Figueroa, Goldberg, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort in favor).

Co-Chair Fedeli adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Fedeli, Co-Chair

This meeting is on video (Part 1) and (Part 2).