



**Fiscal Committee -
Board of Representatives**

Eric B. Morson, Co-Chair

Andrew Zachary, Co-Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, February 23, 2026
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: This meeting was held **REMOTELY ONLY**.

The Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary and Committee Member Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson, and Lapine. Also in attendance were Reps. Hyatt and Walston; Thomas Turk, Road Maintenance Division Manager; Tony Romano, Budget/ERP Business System Administrative Manager; Matthew Quiñones, Director of Operations; Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer, and Katherine LoBalbo, Director of School Construction.

Absent or excused was Rep. Goldberg.

Co-Chair Morson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Invitee(s) or Designees
1. F32.043 \$50,945.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (OPERATING); Law Department: to appropriate funds from contingency to pay current year wage settlements that were recently agreed upon via a tentative agreement between the City and the Attorneys Union 02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 02/12/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 4-2-0	RECOMMITTED TO STEERING 8-0-0

A motion to recommit Item 1 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

2. F32.044 \$650,000.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (OPERATING); Snow Removal: Salt for Storms—requesting funds from Contingency to maintain City salt domes at safe salt levels for the remainder of the 2025/26 winter season. 02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 02/12/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0	APPROVED 8-0-0
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A motion to approve Item 2 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

3. F32.045 \$144,686,112.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (CAPITAL); Project CP1471 – Westhill High School Replacement Project—amending the FY25/26 Capital Budget for the construction of a new Westhill High School; State and City funded. 02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons 02/12/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-1	APPROVED 8-0-0
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A motion to approve Item 3 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

4. [F32.046](#) **RESOLUTION;** Amending the FY25/26 Capital Budget to appropriate \$144,686,112 for the Westhill High School Replacement Project and authorizing \$36,171,528 in City General Obligation Bonds; and authorizing related School Construction Grant. **APPROVED 8-0-0**
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
02/12/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-1

A motion to approve Item 4 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

5. [F32.047](#) **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (GRANT);** Stamford Police Department—Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Instructor Grant (100% federally funded) to cover overtime, associated FICA, and travel for a certified DRE instructor to conduct statewide training **APPROVED 8-0-0**
\$41,107.00
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
02/12/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to approve Item 5 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

6. [F32.048](#) **RESOLUTION;** Authorizing the Mayor to sign an Agreement with the Department of Transportation for financial assistance for the Drug Recognition Expert Instructor Project. **APPROVED 8-0-0**
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

A motion to approve Item 6 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

7. [F32.049](#) **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (GRANT);** Department of Health—CDC pilot grant (via CT DPH) to develop the Local Heat and Air Quality Preparedness and Response Plan (LHAQP) (100% grant funded; no indirect/administrative funds). **APPROVED 8-0-0**
\$24,500.00
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
02/12/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

A motion to approve Item 7 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

8. [F32.050](#) **RESOLUTION;** Authorizing the Mayor to sign an Agreement with the CT Department of Public Health for the Environmental Health Grant **APPROVED 8-0-0**
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

A motion to approve Item 8 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

9. [F32.051](#) **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (GRANT);** Youth Services Bureau—Senior Internship Program (Unpaid Experiential Learning Program) to fund a seasonal hire and related FICA for administrative support; funded by internal transfers (Mayor’s Budget/General Fund and Board of Education).
\$25,000.00
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
02/12/2026 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-1 **APPROVED 8-0-0**

A motion to approve Item 9 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

10. [F32.052](#) **RESOLUTION;** Authorizing the Mayor to enter into and sign agreements with the Connecticut Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) for the Hatch Field Park Improvements Project.
02/04/2026 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons **APPROVED 8-0-0**

A motion to approve Item 10 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Co-Chair Morson, Co-Chair Zachary, and Reps. Bouchard, de la Cruz, Dorsey, Graham, Johnson and Lapine in favor).

Co-Chair Morson adjourned the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric B. Morson, Co-Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).