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BOARD OF FINANCE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING Board of Finance & Planning Board

**Tuesday, October 12, 2021
Time: 7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Richard Freedman called the Board of Finance to order at 7:04pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Freedman, Mary Lou Rinaldi, Geoff Alswanger, Frank Cerasoli and David Mannis. Kieran Ryan was not present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Martin, Teri Dell, Jay Fountain, Sandy Dennies, Anthony Romano, Tyler Theder, Thomas Turk, Alice Knapp, Kevin McCarthy, Vineeta Mathur, Jay Tepper, Mike Totilo, Ann Brown, Kevin Murray, Lou Casolo, Tim Shaw, Jennifer Godzeno, Cindy Grafstein, Anita Carpenter, Michael Buccino, Terry Adams, J Perna, Stephen Perry, and Mark McGrath

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There was none.

1. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1238 – BOE – DISTRICT WIDE – HVAC AUTOMATION/VENTILATION

Single Platform Automation. Bring entire district automation systems on one single platform.

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: \$1,500,000.00
Fund/Budget: ARP
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Kevin McCarthy, Facilities Manager

Motion to approve by Mary Lou Rinaldi, seconded by Geoff Alswanger. Vote failed unanimously 0-0-5.

2. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1239 – SCOFIELD – HVAC EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

Roof Top Unit Replacement. Replace existing roof top units which are past useful life. Design currently a City ARP Project. Install new unit at Café. Air/Water Balance System. Construction portion anticipated to be funded by FY22-23 City ARP Funds. (Automation Portion Funded City ARP FY 21-22)

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: \$2,500,000.00
Fund/Budget: ARP
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Kevin McCarthy, Facilities Manager

Action: see item #6

3. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1240 - STILLMEADOW – HVAC EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT/AUTOMATION/VENTILATION

Roof Top Unit Replacement, Building Management System Upgrade. Replace 7 roof top units at end of useful life (20 years in 2023) and install new roof top unit for Café. Air/Water Balance System. Work includes install controls for 10 roof top units and BMS Control CO2 at VAV Boxes. Project is on list of City ARP Projects. Work will improve indoor air quality and increase energy efficiency.

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: \$2,000,000.00
Fund/Budget: ARP
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Kevin McCarthy, Facilities Manager

Action: see item #6

4. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1241 – STARK – HVAC EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT/AUTOMATION/VENTILATION

Building Management System Upgrade (1); Split System Replacement – Nurse's office and Teacher's Lounge. There are two existing systems which are obsolete, hard to troubleshoot and difficult to obtain parts. Project will include combining multiple systems into one system. City engineering is underway on design. This provides cooling for the Nurse's office and the other for the entire wing of the school.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$1,500,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending:	Kevin McCarthy, Facilities Manager

Action: see item #6

5. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1242 – DAVENPORT – HVAC AUTOMATION/VENTILATION

Building Management System Upgrade (1) and Ductwork Replacement. Upgrade existing automation. Replace fiber lined ductwork and balance system.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$1,500,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending:	Kevin McCarthy, Facilities Manager

Action: see item #6

6. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1243 – RIPPOWAM – HVAC EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT/AUTOMATION/VENTILATION

Rippowam – HVAC Equipment Replacement/Automation/Ventilation. Replacement of existing split system at Auditorium and installation of roof top unit at Gymnasium. New roof top unit and ductwork for two Gyms at Apples.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$2,000,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, Director of OPM
Attending:	Kevin McCarthy, Facilities Manager

Motion to approve items #2 - #6 by Mary Lou Rinaldi, seconded by Richard Freedman.
Vote failed 3-2-0. Mary Lou Rinaldi and David Mannis voted against.

7. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 2703 - BOUTON STREET CULVERT REPLACEMENT

During a recent project by Eversource and Aquarion, Bouton Street West was milled for new paving. During this work, it was discovered that the top of the concrete box culvert was significantly deteriorated. Many temporary steel plates were installed to span over the deterioration to support this road. Box culvert replacement required.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$2,500,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending:	Lou Casolo, City Engineer

Action: see item #16

8. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – LIBRARY – CAPITAL PROJECT 1244 - HVAC EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

HVAC upgrade to Ferguson Library.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$1,600,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David R. Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending:	Lou Casolo, City Engineer

Motion to approve by Geoff Alswanger, seconded by Frank Cerasoli. Passes unanimously 5-0-0.

9. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT C56129 – CITYWIDE MANHOLE & BASIN

The City's road network contains more than 12,000 manholes and basins. These structures require periodic reconstruction and adjustment at an average cost of \$8,000.00 per basin. This work is critical to protect the safety of the public and to maintain the City's investment in the infrastructure.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$1,000,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending:	Thomas Turk, Operations Supervisor

Motion to approve by Geoff Alswanger, seconded by Frank Cerasoli. Vote passed 4-0-1. Frank Cerasoli voted against.

10. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT C56182 – STREET PATCH & RESURFACING

Patch and resurface Stamford's roadway infrastructure using accepted engineering standards. This includes milling, overlay, reconstruction, associated fixes to public streets and associated subsurface replacements for drainage system.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$1,000,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending:	Thomas Turk, Operations Supervisor

Motion to approve by Mary Lou Rinaldi, seconded by Richard Freedman. Vote passed 4-0-1. Frank Cerasoli voted against.

11. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1245 – CITY WIDE DRAINAGE STUDY

A comprehensive study to identify deficiencies to problem flood areas. Identify the size of the impact and the estimated cost related to remediate the issue.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$500,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending:	Lou Casolo, City Engineer

Motion to approve by Mary Lou Rinaldi, seconded by Geoff Alswanger. Vote failed unanimously 0-0-5.

12. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION –CAPITAL PROJECT C56169 – PAVING & DRAINAGE

1. K parking lot – 100K request to relevel/re-gravel parking lot and access road which will upgrade sheet drainage.
2. West parking lot – 200k request – design and installation of scour protection wall along beachfront that divides the shore and parking lot to be upgraded which will protect erosion and heaving due to storm surges and extreme tidal flooding.
3. Courtland Avenue Park – 150K – Underground drainage and install retention basin to dog park area which will assist with erosion and washout, small retention wall to be installed.
4. 426 Shippan Avenue Park Department – 100K – Regrading and repaving Parks Department Shop parking areas to assist with flood prone areas which will get connect to all storm drains properly.

Action Requested:	Approval of appropriation
Amount:	\$550,000.00
Fund/Budget:	ARP
Submitted by:	David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending:	Kevin Murray, Operation Manager – Parks

Action: see item #16

13. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1247 – FEMA RELATED DRAINAGE REPAIR

Citywide – Halliwell Drive, Bedford Street, Chester Street, Urban Street, Frisbie Street, Cove and Cummings Parks, Dannell Drive, Silver Hill Lane, Toilsome Brook Drainage Repair, Lincoln Ave, Holt's Ice Pond/1016-1022 Long Ridge Road and other locations

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: \$1,950,000.00
Fund/Budget: FEMA
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Lou Casolo, City Engineer

Action: see item #16

14. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1248 – HOPE STREET TO PRUDENCE DRIVE - FEMA

Hope Street to Prudence Drive – Culvert Repair

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: \$1,500,000.00
Fund/Budget: FEMA
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Lou Casolo, City Engineer

Action: see item #16

15. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1249 – FARMS ROAD RECONSTRUCTION - FEMA

Farms Road Reconstruction

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: ~~\$3,500,000.00~~ (**Changed to \$1,000,000**)
Fund/Budget: FEMA
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Lou Casolo, City Engineer

Action: see item #16

16. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT CP5241 – STORM WATER PUMP STATIONS

Storm Water Pump Station upgrade electrical and generator at Cumming and Wampanaw pump station

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: \$500,000.00
Fund/Budget: FEMA
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Bill Brink, Executive Director

Motion to approve by item #7 and items #12 - #16 by David Mannis, seconded by Frank Cerasoli. Vote passed unanimously 5-0-0.

17. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT 1250 – CHESTER ADDISON UPGRADES

Beacon Properties has offered the Stamford Police Department the Chester Addison Center to run a P.A.L. (Police Activities League) center along with other nonprofit organizations. [The Stamford Public Schools, Stamford Police Foundation, Ferguson Library, SPEF (Stamford Public Education Foundation)]. The City is working on a five year lease for \$1. A request of 250K would include upgrades of the generator, roof, HVAC and windows.

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: \$250,000.00
Fund/Budget: CNR
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Anthony Romano, OPM

Motion to approve by Mary Lou Rinaldi, seconded by Geoff Alswanger. Vote failed unanimously 0-0-5.

18. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CAPITAL PROJECT CP8701 – JOHN BOCUZZI PARK @ SOUTHFIELD

To complete Phase 1, which includes a realignment of the park entry across from Congress Street, relocated parking lot out of the flood hazard area replaced with dune habitat, traffic turnaround/drop-off, waterfront improvements, landscaping, and a replacement basketball court. The City will repurpose Bond funds from the Police Station and Dyke Lane Pump Station.

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation
Amount: \$2,400,000.00
Fund/Budget: CNR & Bonds
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Anthony Romano, OPM

Action: see item #22.

19. REQUEST FOR CAPITAL PROJECT C45247 CLOSEOUT

Pursuant to Stamford City Code 8-2, the partial closeout of this project is recommended.

Action Requested: Capital Project Closeout
Amount: \$1,000,000.00
Fund/Budget: Bonds
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Chief Timothy Shaw

No vote was taken.

20. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BY ADDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$2,400,000.00 – CP8701 - JOHN BOCUZZI PARK @ SOUTHFIELD PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING \$2,060,291.00 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION

Action Requested: Issuance of resolution
Amount: \$2,060,291.00
Fund/Budget: General Obligation Bonds
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Anthony Romano, OPM

Action: see item #22.

21. RESOLUTION AMENDING A RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$25,000,000.00 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, ISSUE OF 2017

Action Requested: Issuance of resolution
Amount: \$25,000,000.00
Fund/Budget: General Obligation Bonds
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Anthony Romano, OPM

Action: see item #22.

22. RESOLUTION AMENDING A RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$45,000,000.00 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, ISSUE OF 2016

Action Requested: Issuance of resolution
Amount: \$45,000,000.00
Fund/Budget: General Obligation Bonds
Submitted by: David Martin, Mayor; Anthony Romano, OPM
Attending: Anthony Romano, OPM

Motion to table item #18 and items #20 - #22 by Richard Freedman, seconded by Mary Lou Rinaldi. Vote passed unanimously 5-0-0.

23. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Mary Lou Rinaldi, seconded by Geoff Alswanger. Richard Freedman adjourned the meeting at 9:54pm.

Tracy Donoghue

***Tracy Donoghue
Clerk of the Board***

This meeting is on video.