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BOARD OF FINANCE

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AGENDA

Wednesday, March 8, 2017: 7:00 PM (Rescheduled from March 9, 2017)

Board of Finance Meeting Room, 4th Floor

Call to Order: Chairman Richard Freedman (Video 00:00:00)

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Freedman

Approval of Minutes:			
February 15, 2017 7:00 PM:	Regular Monthly Meeting	(Video: 00:00:00)	

Public Participation:

Reports to the Board: None

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Possible Update - Contract Negotiations

Item 1	The Mayor may address the Board of Finance in executive session on any pending contract negotiations.		
	Action Requested:	Discussion	
	Amount:	\$	
	Fund/Budget:		
	Submitted by:	Mayor David Martin	
	Video: 00:00:00		

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION CONTROLLER'S OFFICE

One-Year Contract Extension - Blum Shapiro

Item 2				
	Stamford and the Boa for a one-year contract of Administration, Mich current contract. Section 2 in the agree the City to opt to exter	Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C., has been performing auditing services for the City of Stamford and the Board of Education for three (3) years. Their contract affords an option for a one-year contract extension. Controller David Yanik, with the support of the Director of Administration, Michael Handler, is requesting approval of the one-year extension to the current contract. Section 2 in the agreement with Blum Shapiro includes the "option" provision that allows the City to opt to extend the agreement for an additional year. Blum, Shapiro has agreed to keep the F2017 fees at the same level as what was billed for FY2016.		
	Action Requested:	Approval of one-year contract extension.		
	Amount:	\$201,000		
	Fund/Budget:			
	Submitted by:	David Yanik, Controller		
	Video: 00:00:00	Attending: David Yanik		

GRANTS

Additional Appropriation – Historic Document Preservation/Contracted Services

Item 3	The State grant for historic document preservation was \$1,000 more than budgeted. This appropriation will align the City and State budgets.		
	Action Requested:	Request for Additional Appropriation	
	Amount:	\$1,000 – grant funded	
	Fund/Budget:	Grant Funded	
	Submitted by:	Donna Loglisci, Town Clerk	
	Video: 00:00:00	Attending: Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer	

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Additional Appropriation – Adjustment in BOE Budget for Change in OPEB Funding Requirement

	Budget for Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) was assembled on a ee claims subtracted from Gross ARC to arrive at an annual budget		
amount. In an eff Departments have i	amount. In an effort to standardize budget methodology, the OPM and Controller's Departments have requested that the BOE fund OPEB in a method similar to City		
\$1,639,736 from BOI reserve to cover this	methodology. Additionally, the Controller's Office has requested permission to move \$1,639,736 from BOE claims reserve and 2015-16 Operating Budget surplus to the OPEB reserve to cover this change. The BOE has approved moving forward with this and taking funding from the Claims Reserve in the amount of \$1,440,404 and 2015-16 Operating Budget surplus of \$199,332.		
Action Requested:	Request for Additional Appropriation		
Amount:	\$1,639,736		
Fund/Budget:	Fund Balance		
Submitted by:	Hugh Murphy, Executive Director, Finance, Board of Education		
Video: 00:00:00	Attending: Earl Kim, Superintendent of Schools; Hugh Murphy		

OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

Capital Project Closeouts - Various

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Item 5	Pursuant to Stamford City Code Section 8-2, partial closeout of the following capital projects is recommended:			
	. C5B613 - District-wide Boiler and Burner Replacement (\$150,000.00)			
	. C31072 - District-wide Energy Efficiency Projects (\$100,000.00)			
		NO VOTE		
	. C5B217 - Toquam Indoor Air Quality Issues (\$625,000.00)			
	. C36668 - Westhill High School Infrastructure Renovation (\$250,000.00)			
	. CP6567 - Mill River Storm Water Management (\$547,870.27)			
	. CP6567 - Mill River Storm Water Management (\$440,880.86)			
		See related Items 6 and 7 below.		
	Action Requested:	Approval of partial closeout of the above Capital Projects		
	Amount:	\$2,113,751.13		
	Fund/Budget:			
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		C31072 - \$100,000.00 (Rebate)		
		C5B217 - \$625,000.00 (State Grant)		
		C36668 - \$250,000.00 (State Grant)		
		CP6567 - \$547,870.27 (Federal Funds)		
		CP6567 - \$440,880.86 (Bond)		
	Submitted by:	Jay Fountain, Interim Director, OPM		
	Video: 00:00:00	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
	VIAGO: 00:00:00	This item, and related Items 6 and 7, were placed on hold at the February 15, 2017 meeting of the Board of Finance. An excerpt of that discussion follows:		
		Mr. Romano answered questions pertaining to the status of the closeouts, including which items were not funded as expected.		
		. The rebates were authorized during 2014-15 capital projects but were not received and are not going to be received. He did not know why it was submitted during the capital projects process.		
		. The State grants will not be received based on Ms. Cammarota's information. The <i>Toquam Indoor Air Quality Efficiency Projects</i> fund is currently fully expended, with a zero balance. As we did not get the expected State grant to reimburse us we had to offset it with bonds. We are going to have to repurpose next month the \$625,000. <i>Westhill High School</i> has a \$225,000 balance now from a \$250,000 budget so \$25,000 is being taken to bring it to a zero balance.		
		. The Mill River projects have been completed and came in \$1,000,000 under budget - which is half the amount budgeted - and the State could not match money we didn't spend. This money has not been received and will not be received because the project was made smaller. This project was to make the property useful for recreational purposes.		
		When asked, Mr. Romano said he did not know why the funds were not going to be reimbursed for these expenditures. The Board decided to HOLD Items 6, 7 and 8 until next month (now items 5, 6 and 7) so that OPM can research the reasons for non-payments. The Board also requested information on where the money is going to come from.		
		Attending: Jay Fountain; Louis Casolo, City Engineer; Al Barbarotta, Director, Facilities Management; Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer		
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Supplemental Capital Project Appropriation – Board of Education - Toquam Indoor Air Quality

Item 6	Supplemental Approp . Toquam Indoor Ai	riation requested is to offset the grant closeout as follows:	HELD from February meeting
		See related Item 5 above.	
	Action Requested:	Approval of Supplemental Capital Project Appropriation	
	Amount:	\$625,000.00	
	Fund/Budget:	C5B217 - \$625,000.00 (Bonding)	
	Submitted by:	Jay Fountain, Interim Director, OPM	
	Video: 00:00:00	This item was placed on HOLD at the February 15, 2017 meeting of the Board of Finance. See an excerpt of the discussion in Item 5 above.	
		Attending: Jay Fountain; Louis Casolo, City Engineer; Al Barbarotta, Director, Facilities Management; Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer	

Supplemental Capital Project Appropriation – Board of Education - Westhill High School Infrastructure Renovation

Item 7		riation requested is to offset the grant closeout as follows: ool Infrastructure Renovation See related Item 5 above.	HELD from February meeting
	Action Requested:	Approval of Supplemental Capital Project Appropriation	
	Amount:	\$25,000.00	
	Fund/Budget:	C36668 - \$25,000.00 (Bonding)	
	Submitted by:	Jay Fountain, Interim Director, OPM	
	Video: 00:00:00	This item was placed on HOLD at the February 15, 2017 meeting of the Board of Finance. See an excerpt of the discussion in Item 5 above. Attending: Jay Fountain; Louis Casolo, City Engineer; Al Barbarotta, Director, Facilities Management; Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer	

Next Regular Meeting of the Board: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

Adjournment: (Video: 00:00:00)

Cynthia R. Winterle

Cynthia R. Winterle Clerk of the Board