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BOARD OF FINANCE

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BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, August 13, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.

This meeting was held via webinar.

ACTION REPORT

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Richard Freedman called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: CHAIR RICHARD FREEDMAN, VICE CHAIR MARY LOU RINALDI AND MEMBERS GEOFF ALSWANGER, FRANK CERASOLI, DAVID MANNIS AND KIERAN RYAN

OTHERE PRESENT: MAYOR DAVID MARTIN, KATHRYN EMMETT, ESQ., AL CAVA AND SANDY DENNIES, JAY FOUNTAIN, TAMU LUCERO, DAVID YANIK, BILL NAPOLETANO, DAVID VILLALVA, LYDA RUIJTER, LUCY CORELLI, RON MOLLOY, MIKE PENSIERO, MIKE ALBANESE, MARK MCGRATH, KAREN CAMMAROTA, TYLER THEDER AND ANTHONY ROMERO

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There was none.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD:

A. Contingency Update – FY 19-20

ITEMS LISTED IN ORDER THEY WERE HEARD

1. MINUTES: Request for approval of minutes of the following July 2020 meeting:

Regular Monthly Meeting – July 9, 2020

Submitted by: Clerk, Board of Finance

Motion by Ms. Rinaldi, second by Mr. Cerasoli passed unanimously (6-0-0).

2. DISCUSSION ON BUDGET MATTERS WITH MAYOR DAVID MARTIN

Mayor Martin was present to discuss budget matters.

4. APPOINTMENT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Request for approval of the appointment of Bill Napoletano to the position of Director of Tax and Revenue Collection.

Action Requested: Approval of appointment Submitted by: Mayor David Martin Mayor Martin

Motion to approve by Mr. Cerasoli, second by Mr. Alswanger passed with a vote of 5-1-0 with Ms. Rinaldi opposed.

3. BUDGET UPDATE – BOARD OF EDUCATION

Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Tamu Lucero was present to give an update on the Board of Education budget.

5. <u>F2019 MANAGEMENT ADVISORY LETTER WITH MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSES AND REMEDIATION</u>

Former Tax Collector William Forker was unable to attend the June 11, 2020 regular monthly meeting to discuss the Management Advisory Letter with responses and remediation plans, including providing the tax collector's report - with all supporting documentation - and the reconciliation between the report and the HTE general ledger system at the commencement of year-end audit fieldwork. As Mr. Forker has subsequently retired, Bill Napoletano will discuss this matter.

Submitted by: David Yanik, Controller **Attending:** David Yanik; Bill Napoletano

6. STATUS OF TAX REVENUE 2020-21

Mr. Napoletano gave a presentation on Tax Collections.

AGREEMENT - RFP #799 - WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND HEART AND HYPERTENSION 7. **CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION**

Request for approval of agreement for Workers' Compensation and Heart and Hypertension Claims Administration between the City and PMA Management Corp. of New England, Inc.

Action Requested: Approval of Agreement

\$18,125 monthly flat rate plus expenses indicated in Section 3 of the Amount:

Agreement

David Villalva, Risk Manager Submitted by:

Attending: Mr. Villalva

Motion to approve by Mr. Cerasoli, second by Mr. Alswanger passed unanimously (6-0-0).

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION - COVID-19 ELECTION - GRANT-FUNDED 8.

Request for an additional appropriation to cover the election costs associated with the COVID pandemic.

Action Requested: Approval of additional appropriation

Amount: \$183.095

Grant funded (State) Fund/Budget:

Submitted by: Lyda Ruijter, Town and City Clerk

Attending: Ms. Ruijter

Motion to approve by Ms. Rinaldi, second by Mr. Mannis passed unanimously (6-0-0).

9. TRANSFER OF FUNDS – TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Request for a transfer of funds to be allocated to a seasonal employee and to contractual services to purchase a fire-secure vault to store historical documents.

Action Requested: Transfer of funds

Amount: From: Seasonal 24401621203

> Program Supplies 24401626120 To: \$1,156

From: Contractual Services 24401623601

Program Supplies 24401626120 To: \$1,788

\$2.944

Submitted by: Lyda Ruijter Attending: Ms. Ruijter

Motion to approve by Ms. Rinaldi, second by Mr. Alswanger passed unanimously (6-0-0).

10. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION - MIMECAST SOFTWARE PURCHASE - TECHNOLOGY

Request for additional appropriation (2020-21) for the purchase of Mimecast's secure messaging, base platform for mail routing and secure messaging along with 55 licenses.

Action Requested: Approval of additional appropriation

\$48,074 Amount: Fund/Budget: Contingency

Submitted by: Mike Pensiero, Information Services Director

Attending: Mr. Pensiero and Mike Albanese, Manager of Application Support

Motion to approve by Mr. Alswanger, second by Mr. Freedman passed unanimously (6-0-0).

11. ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION - FOOD SCRAP COMPOSTING - SOLID WASTE - GRANT

Request for additional appropriation (2020-21) for the development of a pilot food scrap recycling project.

Action Requested: Approval of additional appropriation

Amount: \$15,000

Fund/Budget: 100% grant-funded

Submitted by: Mark McGrath, Director of Operations

Attending: Mr. McGrath, Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer

Motion to approve by Mr. Ryan, second by Mr. Cerasoli passed unanimously (6-0-0).

17. CAPITAL PROJECT CLOSEOUT RECOMMENDATION

Pursuant to Stamford City Code Section 8-2 request for the partial closeout of Capital Projects.

Action Requested: Partial closeout of Capital Projects

Amount: CP7209 Energy Improvement Project \$657,411.27 (CNR)

CP9053 Innovate Stamford-Branding

and Market (\$224,000) \$112,000.00 (CNR)

\$112,000.00 (Grant) \$250,000.00 (Bond)

\$153,183.00 (Bond)

\$250,000.00 (Bond)

\$ 69,295.84 (Bond)

\$ 95,766.61 (Bond)

\$350,001.00 (Bond)

CP8500 Parking Improvements
C07352 Czescik Home Demolition
CP7912 Specialty Police Vehicles
CP5215 Cove Island Barn Restoration
CP7043 Barrett Park Building Replacement
CP6811 Cove Island Beach Resiliency Project

C56201 Glenbrook Building Addition-New Hope \$ 69,642.68 (Bond)

\$2,119,300.40

Fund/Budget: Various – as indicated

Submitted by: Anthony Romano, Management Analyst, OPM **Attending:** Jay Fountain, Director of OPM, Mr. Romano

There were no objections to these closeout recommendations.

12. <u>CAPITAL PROJECT C65202 APPROPRIATION – CITYWIDE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT AND UPGRADE</u>

Request for Capital Project appropriation for FY 19/20 to replace and upgrade miscellaneous equipment and other items with a useful life in excess of 5 years and which are non-recurring.

Action Requested: Approval of Capital Project C65202 appropriation

Amount: \$250,000

Fund/Budget: Capital Non-Recurring

Submitted by: Mark McGrath **Attending:** Mr. McGrath

Motion to approve by Ms. Rinaldi, second by Mr. Ryan passed unanimously (6-0-0).

13. CAPITAL PROJECT C56129 APPROPRIATION – CITYWIDE MANHOLE AND BASIN

Request for Capital Project appropriation for FY 19/20 for citywide manhole and basins work. The City's road network contains more than 12,000 manholes and basins. These structures require periodic reconstruction and adjustment at an average cost between \$8,000 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 Capital Project C56129 appropriation

Amount: \$500,000 Fund/Budget: City Bond

Submitted by: Thomas Turk, Traffic and Road Maintenance Supervisor

Attending: Tyler Theder, Regulatory Compliance and Administrative Officer

Motion to approve by Mr. Alswanger, second by Mr. Ryan passed unanimously (6-0-0).

14. RESOLUTION

Request for a resolution to amend the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 by adding an appropriation of \$500,000 for Citywide Manhole and Basin and Authorizing \$500,000 General Obligation Bonds of the City to meet said appropriation.

Action Requested: Issuance of resolution

Amount: \$500,000

Fund/Budget: General Obligation Bonds **Submitted by:** Jay Fountain, Director, OPM

Attending: Mr. Fountain

Motion to approve by Mr. Mannis, second by Mr. Alswanger passed unanimously (6-0-0).

15. CAPITAL PROJECT CP7209 APPROPRIATION – ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (EID)

Request for Capital Project appropriation FY 19/20 for building lighting replacement. The City received more rebates than anticipated. This appropriation is offset by a reduction to capital non-recurring.

Action Requested: Approval of Capital Project CP7209 appropriation

Amount: \$657,411.27 Fund/Budget: Rebates

Submitted by: Laura Burwick, Special Assistant to the Mayor

Attending: Jay Fountain

Motion to approve by Mr. Freedman, second by Ms. Rinaldi passed unanimously (6-0-0).

16. <u>CAPITAL PROJECT 001218 APPROPRIATION – INSPECTION AND ASSESSMENT OF CITY PROPERTY</u>

Request for Capital Project appropriation for FY 19/20 to provide assessments and property condition reports to inspect and assess the conditions of city property to determine deficiencies, immediate repairs and create a replacement reserve table.

Action Requested: Approval of Capital Project 001218 appropriation

Amount: \$150,000

Fund/Budget: Capital Non-Recurring

Submitted by: Jennifer Williams, Bureau Chief of Parks and Recreation

Attending: Mr. Romano

Motion to approve by Mr. Alswanger, second by Mr. Mannis passed unanimously (6-0-0).

18. <u>YEAR-END BUDGET TRANSFERS</u>

In accordance with the City Charter Section C8-30-11, Control of Appropriations, recommendation of approval for transfers to cover projected year-end budget shortfalls identified in OPM's Q4 Review.

Action Requested: Approval of Transfers

Amount: \$333,820

Fund/Budget: Various – General Fund **Submitted by:** Jay Fountain, Director of OPM

Attending: Anthony Romano

Motion by Mr. Cerasoli, second by Ms. Rinaldi to approve the above amount, plus two extra transfers: (1) Parking Management Fund in the amount of \$11,311; and (2) Marina Fund in the amount of \$18.00 passed unanimously (6-0-0).

19. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: A motion was made by Ms. Rinaldi, seconded by Mr. Alswanger to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board: Thursday, September 10 at 7:00 p.m.

This meeting is on video.

Cynthia R. Winterle

Cynthia R. Winterle Clerk of the Board