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BOARD OF FINANCE

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BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, May 12, 2022 Time: 7:00 p.m. Via Webinar

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER:	
MEMBERS PRESENT	
OTHERS PRESENT:	
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:	
1. MINUTES	

Request for approval of minutes of the following meeting:

04122022 Special Meeting 04132022 Regular Monthly Meeting 04192022 Special Meeting

Submitted by: Clerk, Board of Finance

2. POSSIBLE DISCUSSION - MAYOR CAROLINE SIMMONS

Mayor Caroline Simmons may address the Board of Finance on pending issues.

3. BUDGET UPDATE - BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ryan Fealey, Director of Finance, Board of Education, may provide a brief update on the BOE budget.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ANNUAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

Action Requested: Approval of Community Development Budget

Amount: \$987,710 (Community Development Block Grant-CDBG)

\$980,710

\$430,000 (Investment Partnership Program – HOME)

Fund/Budget: CDBG/HOME

Submitted by: Emily Gordon, Director of Housing and Community Development

Attending: Emily Gordon

5. <u>APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH AFFINECO, LLC d/b/a UNITED SERVICES OF AMERICA FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES AT GOVERNMENT CENTER, POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND OLD TOWN HALL (RFP 850).</u>

This is a three year contract, commencing on July 1, 2022. There are two possible extension years that may bring the total Term of this contract to five years. Affineco will be compensated on an hourly basis for these services. Kevin Murray estimates total fees per year to be: Y1 - \$766,429.02; Y2 - \$793,402.64; Y3 - \$821,121.75; Y4 - \$849,901.03 and Y5 - \$879,438.43.

Action Requested: Approval of Contract Submitted by: Approval of Contract Mayor Caroline Simmons

Attending: Sandy Dennies, Director of Administration

Chris Dellaselva, Assistant Corporation Counsel

6. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION—PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY (COVID-19)

Funding is needed to cover COVID related expenses that were not eligible under the FEMA reimbursement and exceeded expenses allocated to the CARES Act Funding (Grant F30726).

Action Requested: Approval of Additional Appropriation

Amount: \$1,100.000 \$1,100,000

Fund/Budget: Contingency

Submitted by: Mayor Caroline Simmons **Attending:** Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer

7. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION—PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY (COVID-19)

The City of Stamford is continuing to incur expenses related to COVID-19 and is continuing to submit requests for reimbursement of expenses to FEMA. This request is for costs incurred related to COVID-19 that are not covered by the CARES Act or reimbursed by FEMA. The funds requested are to cover the costs expended and costs obligated by the City of Stamford.

Action Requested: Approval of Additional Appropriation

Amount:\$1,100.000\$1,100,000Fund/Budget:City Funds/Grants

Submitted by: Mayor Caroline Simmons **Attending:** Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer

8. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION - MRC - COVID.

This project will improve volunteer capacity to respond to public health emergencies for the Medical Reserve Corps. This funding is supplemental funding to support the MRC as a result of the pandemic.

Action Requested: Approval of Additional Appropriation

Amount: \$50,000 Fund/Budget: Grant Funded

Submitted by: Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer

Attending: Anita Carpenter

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION—STAMFORD PAL FOUNDATION

The City of Stamford has received a grant from the COPS agency for \$124,994 to start the pilot PAL program on the west side. The goal of this program is to reduce violent behavior among youth through building a mentoring type positive relationship with police officers. The Stamford PAL Foundation is a non-profit organization that is wanting to take over the PAL program for the long-term. They will use these funds to hire administrative staff to manage the program, conduct outreach and awareness to recruit youth and officers, purchase supplies and maintain insurance coverage. The COPS agency has approved the modification for the Stamford PAL Foundation to administer this program. The foundation will develop strategies in year one to recruit and retrain officers and youth, and develop a sustainability plan.

Action Requested: Approval of Additional Appropriation

Amount: \$124,994

Fund/Budget: Grant Funded (COPS Microgrant/Sub-recipient)

Submitted by: Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer

Attending: Anita Carpenter

10. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – JAG LOCAL VCP GRANT

The City of Stamford has received a JAG grant in the amount of \$15,000. This funding will be used to support the implementation of the PAL program for youth on the west side of the City. The Stamford PAL Foundation is interested in taking on the PAL program for long-term sustainability. This funding will be sub-awarded to the Stamford PAL Foundation to be used for administrative, outreach and operating purposes. They will administer the PAL program out of the Chester Addison Community Center.

Action Requested: Approval of Additional Appropriation

Amount: \$15,000 Fund/Budget: Grant Funded

Submitted by: Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer

Attending: Anita Carpenter

11. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Mayor of Stamford's Office of Economic Development is requesting \$1,500,000 in ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds to support Stamford's small businesses that suffered a negative economic impact of COVID 19. Support will be provided to stimulate economic recovery and growth through the form of grant assistance. ARPA guidelines specifically target economic recovery for small businesses. Small businesses will qualify for grant assistance by demonstrating a negative impact on their business due to COVID 19. Eligible businesses may receive grant support up to \$7,500, which will assist approximately 200 businesses.

Action Requested: Approval of Additional Appropriation

Amount: \$1,500,000 Fund/Budget: ARP Funds

Submitted by: Loren Nadres, Director of Economic Development

Attending: Loren Nadres, Anita Carpenter

12. <u>CAPITAL PROJECT APPOPRIATION REQUEST – FY21-22 – GREENWICH AVENUE AT PULASKI</u> STREET ROUNDABOUT

This project provides the construction of a modern roundabout at the intersection of Greenwich Avenue, Pulaski Street, Davenport Street and Waterside Place. The construction includes realignment, reconstruction, milling and overlay of pavement, stamped asphalt truck aprons and splitter islands, concrete and granite curbing, drainage improvements, concrete sidewalks, landscaping, pavement markings and signage. The construction cost is 100% funded by the State through the LOTCIP grant program and the total cost is \$2,816,530.22

Action Requested: Approval of Capital Appropriation

Amount: \$2,816,530.22 Fund/Budget: State Grant

Submitted by: Frank Petise, Traffic Engineering

Attending: Frank Petise, Anthony Romano

13. CAPITAL PROJECT APPROPRIATION REQUEST - FY21-22 - (PROJECT 001267) - STAMFORD HIGH PLASTER CEILING & FLOOR REMOVAL

Scope:

Remove ACM containing plaster ceilings on the 2nd floor of the 1927 building. Install new lay-in-tile ceilings. Reinstall existing lighting, IT equipment and any fire alarm devices.

Extend classroom and corridor walls to the roof deck above.

Remove ACM containing floor tiles (classrooms only) and wooden sleepers below. Seal perimeter of the classrooms to prevent additional leaks. Install new wooden sleepers, insulation, subfloor and LVT tile.

Schedule:

Submit to OSCGR June 2022 for a Summer 2024 start. If approved, Stamford will be eligible for approximately 29% reimbursement. Work will continue through the school year and expected completion is end of August 2025.

Action Requested: Approval of Capital Project Appropriation

Amount: \$4,122,491 Fund/Budget: Bond (City)

Louis Casolo, City Engineer Submitted by: Attending: Louis Casolo, Anthony Romano

14. RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YR 21-22 BY ADDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$4.121.491 FOR THE STAMFORD HIGH PLASTER CEILING & FLOOR PROJECT (#001267) AND AUTHORIZING \$4,121,491 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION

Action Requested: Approval of Resolution

\$4,122,491 Amount: Fund/Budget: Bond (City)

Submitted by: Kevin Murray, Operations Manager; Anthony Romano, OPM

Kevin Murray, Anthony Romano Attending:

15.CAPITAL PROJECT APPROPRIATION REQUEST – (PROJECT 001268) – ROXBURY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Construction of a new K-8 school at 751 West Hill Road. This project aligns with the goals of Stamford's Long-term master plan to create sustainable facilities that best address the City's educational goals and Community needs.

A school construction application will be submitted to the state OSCGR in June 2022. If approved, Stamford will be eligible for approximately 19% reimbursement.

> Action Requested: Approval of Capital Project Appropriation

\$86.000.000 Amount: Fund/Budget: Bond (City)

Submitted by: Lou Casolo, City Engineer Attending: Lou Casolo, Anthony Romano

16. RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YR 21-22 BY ADDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$86,000,000 FOR THE ROXBURY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT PROJECT (#001268) AND AUTHORIZING \$86,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION

Action Requested: Approval of Capital Project Appropriation

Amount: \$86,000,000 Fund/Budget: Bond (City)

Submitted by: Lou Casolo, City Engineer Lou Casolo, Anthony Romano

17. FY 2021-2022 BUDGET QUARTERLY REPORT- REVIEW

Submitted by: Lee Berta, Assistant Director OPM

Attending: Lee Berta, OPM

Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in this meeting should contact the ADA Coordinator as soon as possible:

Vikki Cooper, ADA Coordinator, City of Stamford Department of Social Services, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06901 (203) 977-5726.

Tracy Donoghue

Tracy Donoghue Clerk of the Board