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BOARD OF FINANCE

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BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, June 8, 2023 Time: 7:00 p.m. Via Zoom

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or by telephone at 1-646-558-8656 – Meeting ID: 861 3754 1888

<u>AGENDA</u>

CALL TO ORDER:		
MEMBERS PRESENT:		
OTHERS PRESENT:		
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:		

1. MINUTES

Request for approval of minutes of the following meeting:

05112023 Regular Monthly Meeting 05152023 Special Meeting

Submitted by: Clerk, Board of Finance

2. BUDGET UPDATE - BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

3. <u>APPROVAL OF A 4TH CONTRACT AMMENDMENT – ERP PROJECT – IMPLEMENTATION OF CITY FLEET MANAGEMENT, HUMAN RESOURCES AND PAYROLL SYSTEMS.</u>

This 4th Amendment increases the maximum allowable fees for additional services from \$516,400.00 to \$946,000, a net increase of \$429,600. Per C. Williams, this increase is necessary to extend the technical assistance needed for the City's ERP project and specifically to support the implementation of the City Fleet Management, Human Resources and Payroll systems. All other contract terms remain the same. Board approvals are required as this 4th Amendment increases the contract price by more than 15%.

Action Required: Approval of Contract

Amount: \$429,600

Submitted by: Mayor Caroline Simmons

Attending: Al Cava, Director of Human Resources

Chuck Williams, ERP Consultant

4. <u>DISCUSSION – CIVILIANIZING 911 EMERGENCY CENTER OPERATIONS</u>

Attending: Mayor Caroline Simmons

Bridget Fox, Chief of Staff

Lou DeRubeis, Director of Public Health, Safety

and Welfare

Joe Gaudett, Emergency Communications Director

Elda Sinani, Director of OPM

5. <u>APPROVAL OF A NEW CONTRACT – NORTHEAST SERIES OF LOCKTON COMPANIES, LLC, (CITY RFP NO 884) – THE CITY'S HEALTH CARE ADVISORY CONSULTANT SERVICES.</u>

NE Lockton will assist the City in controlling or reducing the cost of the City's health care insurance. This is a three-year contract with two, additional option years for a total possible Term of five years. NE Lockton's fee for the first three years is \$125,000.00 per year. Fees for years four and five, if optioned, will be negotiated by the parties six months in advance of the then-current year. All fees will be renegotiated if the City leaves the State Partnership Plan.

Action Required: Approval of Contract

Amount: \$375,000 (three year contract) / \$125,000 per year

Submitted by: Mayor Caroline Simmons

Attending: Al Cava, Director of Human Resources

6. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION – CONTRACT WITH FUSS & O'NEILL, INC. FOR ROUNDABOUT DESIGN AND INSPECTION SERVICES AT THE INTERSECTION OF SHIPPAN AVENUE, HARBOR DRIVE AND MAGEE AVENUE – RFP NO. 867

Fuss & O'Neill will provide the design of a full-sized roundabout at the intersection of Shippan Avenue, Harbor Drive and Magee Avenue, based on the City's approved LOTCIP concept plans, including all relevant surveys, permits, public meetings, and other associated design work at various progressing levels of the design process. The fee for these services is \$308,000.00, to be paid on a % of the work completed basis. Fuss & O'Neill may also be asked to perform construction inspection services as part of this project. The fees for which will be negotiated if/when the City decides those services are required.

Action Requested: Approval of appropriation

Amount: \$308,000

Submitted by: Mayor Caroline Simmons

Attending: Frank Petise, Transportation Bureau Chief

7. <u>APPROVAL OF EXISTING CONTRACT ADDITIONAL FEES OVER \$100,000 – SHOCK ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR, INC. (CITY RFP NO 853) – STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE AND ADMINISTRATION.</u>

The contract with Shock Electrical Contractors, Inc. for street light maintenance and administration now requires Board approvals because the fees have exceeded \$100,000.00 per year.

Shock is paid hourly for maintenance work. Total annual fees were estimated at \$90,000.00 to \$95,000.00 per year when we entered this contract a little over a year ago. Fees for the first year were approximately \$108,000.00 and will likely be higher, with a limit of \$120,000.00, for the 2nd and 3rd year of this contract. The reason being that we are replacing more equipment than expected due to the age of the equipment and Eversource's replacement requirements.

Action Required: Approval of Contract Additional Fees

Amount: over \$100,000

Submitted by: Mayor Caroline Simmons Louis Casolo, City Engineer

8. CAPITAL PROJECT (001345) APPROPRIATION REQUEST – FY 2022/2023 –HARBOR BOAT LODGE Stamford Harbor Feasibility – The Stamford Harbor Management Commission has identified the need for a public boat launch in Stamford Harbor. The project will involve the evaluation of three identified sites based on visual (on-site) reconnaissance and "table-top" evaluations in accordance with the design standards and evaluation criteria and using existing data and including identification of opportunities and constraints for development of boat launching facilities.

Action Required: Approval of appropriation

Amount: \$20,000 Fund/Budget: State Grant Submitted by: OPM Department

Attending: Louis Casolo, City Engineer

9. <u>CAPITAL PROJECT (CP0122) APPROPRIATION REQUEST – FY 2022/2023 –PARK AMENITIES UPGRADE</u>

The City of Stamford is the recipient of a private donation in the amount of \$25,000, facilitated by a representative from Terra Green LLC. Their representative indicated they seek to invest in one Stamford-based outdoor project every five years. The project identified includes a scope of work to remove the bleachers at Cubeta Stadium, and then power wash and paint the stadium seating.

Action Required: Approval of appropriation

Amount: \$25,000

Fund/Budget: Private Contribution **Submitted by:** OPM Department

Attending: Kevin Murray, Director of Parks & Recreation

10. <u>CAPITAL PROJECT (CP3348) APPROPRIATION REQUEST – FY 2022/2023 – STATE GRANT --</u> CUMMINGS MARINA RESTORATION

The Cummings Marina was destroyed during Superstorm Sandy. A concept plan for a replacement marina was included in the 2015 master plan for Cummings and West Beach. The City of Stamford has been awarded SHIPP grant funding assistance for the Engineering Design and Regulatory Permitting of a replacement marina.

RACE Coastal Engineering (the same company that did the concept plan of the marina) provided the estimate for the final design & permitting. Their estimate was used as a basis for the grant request.

Action Required: Approval of appropriation

Amount: \$197.427.29

Fund/Budget: State Grant - SHIPP Submitted by: OPM Department

Attending: Louis Casolo, City Engineer

11. <u>CAPITAL PROJECT (CP0231) APPROPRIATION REQUEST – FY 2022/2023 – STATE GRANT – CITYWIDE DREDGING</u>

The Cove Marina and channel require dredging, particularly after Superstorm Sandy, when the channel was substantially filled in and rendered bare navigable. Based on available grant and capital funding, the City ultimately split the dredging into two projects. Because of the nature of the dredge materials, each dredge requires different disposal protocols and permitting. The first dredge, funded with State Bonding money, was completed last winter. The SHIPP grant funding is approved and permitting is complete. The City seeks to bid the second dredge this year.

Action Required: Approval of appropriation

Amount: \$1,595,520

Fund/Budget: State Grant - SHIPP Submitted by: OPM Department

Attending: Louis Casolo, City Engineer

12. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BY ADDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,564,818 FOR THE DAVENPORT RIDGE ELEMENTARY BATHROOM CODE COMPLIANCE PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING \$625,927 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION

Action Required: Approval of Resolution

Amount: \$1,564,818

Fund/Budget: \$938,891 State/ \$625,927 City (Bonds)

Submitted by: OPM Department

Attending: Anthony Romano, Management Analyst, OPM

13. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BY ADDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,348,596 FOR THE SPRINGDALE ELEMENTARY ENERGY EFFICIENCY WINDOWS REPLACEMENT AND MASONRY REPAIR PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING \$539,438 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION

Action Required: Approval of Resolution

Amount: \$1,348,596

Fund/Budget: \$809,158 State/ \$539,438 City (Bonds)

Submitted by: OPM Department

Attending: Anthony Romano, Management Analyst, OPM

14. <u>RESOLUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND PROCEEDS FOR THE 2019 BONDS, 2020 BONDS, 2021 BONDS AND 2022 BONDS</u>

Action Required: Approval of Resolution

Amount: \$83,488,703 Submitted by: OPM Department

Attending: Anthony Romano, Management Analyst, OPM

15. <u>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST – FY 2023/2024 – STATE GRANT FUNDS—LEGAL / IDEAS (INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, EQUITY & ACCESSIBILITY STRATEGIES)</u>

The City of Stamford and specifically the Office of I.D.E.A.S (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity & Accessibility Strategies) is receiving an award for a paid internship program from State of CT Aging and Disability Services. As an ADA Coordinator, this person will be working under the direction of the Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion to focus on building a more equitable and accessible City for all. This is a very innovative program that will help advance the accessibility of City resources to all communities with a special emphasis on people with disabilities. There is a hope to identify other departments where this program can be replicated, and the scope of work can be broadened past ADA requirements.

Action Required: Approval of additional appropriation

Amount: \$15,000

Fund/Budget: 100% Grant Funded (State) **Submitted by:** Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer

Attending: Anita Carpenter

16. <u>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST – FY 2023/2024 – FEDERAL EPA GRANT FUNDS—PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC HEALTH</u>

The City of Stamford has been awarded a 31-month air quality monitoring grant from the EPA to promote wellness, prevent disease, and proactively protect the health and safety of its residents. Working with residents, the City of Stamford has developed plans for a comprehensive air quality monitoring program, focused on nitrogen dioxide (NO2), particulate matter (PM2.5), and ozone (03).

Air quality monitoring will benefit historically marginalized residents in Stamford's South End and West Side neighborhoods with goals of: (1) building the capacity to measure air pollution in real-time, (2) providing data to support strategies that mitigate air pollution, and (3) improving local health outcomes. Key outputs include the community meeting, the installation of air quality monitors, and the development of a public website. Outcomes include increasing resident awareness, affecting behavior change and reducing health disparities.

Action Required: Approval of additional appropriation

Amount: \$68,755

(\$37,755-Equipment, \$1,500-Program Supplies, \$27,500-Consultant/Contractual, \$2,000-other)

Fund/Budget: 100% Grant Funded (Federal - EPA) **Submitted by:** Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer

Attending: Anita Carpenter

17. <u>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST - FY 2023/2024 - SPECIAL REVENUE (LOCAL SALES TAX)</u> GRANT FUNDS

The City of Stamford has received the first portion of local sales tax revenue from the local cannabis retailers. The initial outlay of this revenue will be used to support local capital improvements related to climate resiliency and green infrastructure and includes a portion of the salary for the grants accounts analyst that will be responsible for administering and overseeing the financial management of the project.

Action Required: Approval of additional appropriation

Amount: \$77,553 \$77.553.17

(\$57,553-Contractual, \$57,553.17-Contractual \$16,000-Personnel, 4,000-FICA/Fringe)

Fund/Budget: 100% Grant Funded (local sales tax)
Submitted by: Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer

Attending: Anita Carpenter

18. **Q3 REVIEW**

Review and discussion of 3rd Quarter.

Submitted by: Elda Sinani, Director, OPM

Attending: Elda Sinani

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: Carmen Hughes, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer, City of Stamford, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06901 (203) 977-7993.

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