

BOARD OF ESTIMATE & TAXATION MEETING ACTIONS

AUGUST 1, 2006

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Richard Moccia; Frederick Wilms, Chairman; James Clark; Michael Lyons; Stuart Wells

STAFF: Darlene Young, Assistant City Clerk; Thomas Hamilton, Finance Director

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moccia called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Young called the roll and announced that there were five members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 10, 2006, Regular Meeting

The following corrections were made to the minutes:

Add page numbers.

**** MR. CLARK MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS CORRECTED**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS AGENDA

RESOLVED, THAT A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$84,695 BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY TRANSFERRED FROM CONTINGENCY TO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO PAY FOR A SHORTFALL IN FLEET SERVICES (ACCOUNT NO. 01-4045-5461)

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**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

RESOLVED, THAT A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$122,460 BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY TRANSFERRED FROM INCREASED ESTIMATED REVENUES TO

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS TO PAY FOR A SHORTFALL IN SOCIAL SECURITY
(ACCOUNT NO. 01-9020-5418)

Mr. Hamilton explained that this special appropriation is to cover a short fall in Social Security.

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TRANSFER AGENDA - B

FISCAL YEAR 2005-06:

POLICE

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-3022-5121 (Premium Wages) 01-3022-5175 (Retro Wages) \$8,429

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in retro wages due to new hires not getting paid the correct amount for their first three months of the year.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-302A-5121 (Premium Wages) 01-3035-5121 (Premium Wages) \$8,091

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in premium wages.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-3055-5241 (Electric) 01-3055-5244 (Gas) \$18,930

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in natural gas due to higher than anticipated rate increases

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-1320-5461 (Centralized Fuel) 01-3053-5461 (Centralized Fuel) \$204

01-1320-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) 01-3053-5461 (Centralized Fuel) \$889

01-3310-5461 (Centralized Fuel) 01-3053-5461 (Centralized Fuel) \$1,064

01-3310-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) 01-3053-5461 (Centralized Fuel) \$3,680

01-3410-5461 (Centralized Fuel) 01-3053-5461 (Centralized Fuel) \$78

01-6200-5461 (Centralized Fuel) 01-3053-5461 (Centralized Fuel) \$707

01-0400-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-3053-5461 (Centralized Fuel) \$16,098
\$22,720

These transfers are to cover a shortfall in Centralized Fleet Maintenance and centralized Fuel accounts.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-3053-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-3053-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$33,470

These transfers are to cover a shortfall in Centralized Fleet maintenance and Centralized Fuel Accounts.

FIRE DEPT:

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-3410-5140 (Part Time Wages) 01-3120-5242 (Water) \$5,945

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in the water account for hydrants.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-1362-5245 (Telephone) 01-3120-5331 (Auto Fuel & Fluids) \$12,791

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in automotive fuel and fluids due to the higher than expected price increases.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-1361-5140 (Part Time Wages) 01-3152-5140 (Part Time Wages) \$5,687

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in part time wages.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-3153-5241 (Electric) 01-3153-5246 (Heating Fuels) \$7,984
01-1362-5245 (Telephone) 01-3153-5246 (Heating Fuels) \$5,967
\$13,951

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in heating fuels due to higher than expected price increases.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-0100-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-3120-5120 (O/T Wages) \$8,600
01-6200-5140 (P/T Wages) 01-3120-5120 (O/T Wages) \$11,000
\$19,600

This transfer is to cover an overall deficit in the Fire Department due to higher than expected utility and overtime costs.

HEALTH DEPT:

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-0100-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-2020-5617 (Other Grants, Condemnations) \$16,000

This transfer is to cover the deficit in the Health Department due to the City not going forward with a Regional Health District.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4021-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-4021-5020 (O/T Wages) \$65,817
01-4021-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-4021-5130 (Temp Wages) \$10,768
01-4021-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-4022-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$5,442
01-4021-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-4028-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$152,261
\$234,288

These transfers between various wage accounts within the Highway Division (Div. 20) are necessary to balance the accounts at year-end.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4025-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-4030-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$51,469
01-4025-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-4030-5120 (O/T Wages) \$33,112
01-4021-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-4030-5120 (O/T Wages) \$5,005
\$89,586

These wage account transfers are needed to cover an overage in regular wages in the Engineering Division caused by severance payments due to employees who left City employment and an overage in overtime caused by workload requirements.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4031-5120 (O/T Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$18,627
01-4033-5110 (Reg. Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$40,719
01-4033-5120 (O/T Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$7,727
01-4010-5110 (Reg. Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$6,876
01-4010-5120 (O/T Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,360
01-4022-5120 (O/T Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$2,661

01-4025-5120 (O/T Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$11,260
 01-4029-5120 (O/T Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$2,931
 01-4030-5130 (Temp. Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,590
 01-4041-5110 (Reg. Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$28,598
 01-4080-5110 (Reg. Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$4,209
 01-4080-5120 (O/T Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$3,301
 \$129,859

These transfers between various wage accounts are necessary to balance the regular wage accounts within DPW at year end.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4021-510 (Reg. Wages) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$38,270
 01-4025-5269 (Other Rep & Mtce) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,539
 01-4025-5333 (Mach & Equip Pts) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$2,325
 01-4029-5298 (Other Contract Svcs) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$8,048
 01-4010-5211 (Postage) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,073
 01-4010-5251 (Med & Dent Supp) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,433
 01-4021-5381 (Asphalt & Filter) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$3,567
 01-4025-5323 (Food) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$7,610
 01-4027-5351 (Cement & Concrete Prod) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,624
 01-4030-5247 (Other Utility Svcs) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,800
 01-4030-5254 (Arch & Eng Svcs.) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$5,000
 01-4030-5258 (Other Prof Svcs.) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$2,947
 01-4030-5269 (Other Rep & Mtce) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,993
 01-4030-5341 (Consumable Tools) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,345
 01-4030-5336 (Electric Supplies) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,024
 01-4030-5343 (Traffic & Sign Sup) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$2,977
 01-4033-5269 (Other Rep & Mtce) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$9,234
 01-4030-5345 (Road Mkg Mat) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,748
 01-4043-5298 (Other Sup & Mat) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$6,000
 01-4071-5266 (Bldg. Rep & Mtce) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,098
 01-4071-5269 (Other Rep & Mtce) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,028
 01-4027-5336 (Electrical Sup) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,242
 01-4073-5267 (Plumb, Heat & Mtce) 01-4027-5110 (Reg. Wages) \$1,278
 \$102,013

These transfers are necessary to balance the regular wage accounts within DPW at year-end.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4042-5298 (Other Contrac Svc) 01-4025-5322 (Chem Lab & Med Sup) \$11,550
 01-4042-5298 (Other Contradc Svc) 02-4025-5322 (Chem Lab & Med Sup) \$36,946
 \$48,496

The transfer is to cover a shortfall in the account used to purchase winter sand and salt.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4042-5298 (Other Contrac Svc) 01-4042-5299 (Disposal Svc) \$16,320

This account within the Solid Waste division is needed to cover a shortfall in the bulky waste disposal account.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4021-5241 (Electrical Sup) 01-4073-5241 (Electrical) \$11,265

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in the electric account for the Roosevelt School building caused by higher than anticipated electricity expenses.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4021-5241 (Electric) 01-4075-5241 (Electric) \$30,656
01-4021-5267 (Plumbing) 01-4075-5241 (Electric) \$2,657
01-4044-5241 (Electric) 01-4075-5241 (Electric) \$6,467
01-4072-5246 (Heating Fuels) 01-4075-5241 (Electric) \$5,986
\$45,766

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in the electric account for City Hall caused by higher than anticipated electricity expenses.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-4042-5298 (Other Contractual Supp) 01-4075-5244 (Gas) \$14,403

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in the Natural Gas account for City Hall caused by higher than anticipated Natural Gas expenses.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-1362-5245 (Telephone) 01-4045-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$3,000
01-1362-5259 (Other Prof. Svcs) 01-4045-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$7,822
01-3049-5286 (Business Expense) 01-4045-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$3,469
01-3310-5110 (Reg Wages) 01-4045-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$7,221
01-3410-5120 (O/T Wages) 01-4045-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$2,193
01-3410-5140 (P/T Wages) 01-4045-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$2,349
01-6031-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) 01-4045-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$32,446
01-6200-5130 (Temp Wages) 01-4045-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) \$3,500
\$62,000

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in the Centralized Fleet Maintenance due to higher than anticipated fuel costs.

COMBINED DISPATCH & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANNING:

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-3630-5245 (Telephone) 01-3620-5245 (Telephone) \$18,100

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in the telephone account.

RECREATION & PARKS:

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-0600-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-6010-5296 (Sec System) \$14,420

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in the security account due to Police extra work.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-6031-5462 (Centralized Fleet Mtce.) 01-6031-5461 (Centralized Fuel) \$6,978

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in centralized fuel due to higher than anticipated cost.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-6022-5130 (Temp Wages) 01-6031-5120 (O/T Wages) \$9,973
01-6022-5130 (Temp Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$2,904
01-6023-5258 (Other Prof Svcs.) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$3,460
01-6022-5323 (Rec Supplies) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$613
01-6024-5130 (Temp Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$5,192
01-6024-5140 (P/T Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$5,495
01-6024-5130 (Temp Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$7,505
01-6021-5140 (P/T Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$3,399
01-6027-5130 (Temp Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$666
01-6031-5110 (Reg. Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$3,165
01-6010-5311 (Office Sup & Mat) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,376
01-6010-5742 (IT Software) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,568
01-6031-5241 (Electric) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$4,655
01-6031-5323 (Food) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,260
01-6031-5335 (Plumbing Sup) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$3,397
01-6025-5130 (Temp Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$5,000
01-6031-5371 (Lumber & Wood Prod) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,381
01-6931-5375 (Clay & Ballfield Prods) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,606
01-6031-5735 (Maint. Vehicles) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,186
01-6031-5775 (Grounds Maint) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,175

01-6033-5245 (Telephone) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,017
01-6034-5244 (Gas) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$2,038
01-6035-5329 (Other Operating Sup) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$1,500
01-6036-5140 (P/T Wages) 01-6034-5130 (Temp Wages) \$2,925
\$72,456

These transfers are to cover shortfalls in overtime, temporary and part time wages throughout the Recreation and Parks Department.

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-0600-5140 (P/T Wages) 01-6033-5130 (Temp Wages) \$4,900
01-700-5258 (Other Prof Svcs.) 01-6033-5130 (Temp Wages) \$7,714
01-1330-5110 (Reg. Wages) 01-6033-5130 (Temp Wages) \$2,810
01-1350-5110 (Reg. Wages) 01-6033-5130 (Temp Wages) \$9,000
01-1350-5258 (Other Prof Svcs.) 01-6033-5130 (Temp Wages) \$6,200
01-1361-5140 (P/T Wages) 01-6033-5130 (Temp Wages) \$12,159
01-1362-5245 (Telephone) 01-6033-5130 (Temp Wages) \$9,359
01-6200-5130 (Temp Wages) 01-6033-5130 (Temp Wages) \$5,100
\$57,242

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in temporary wages.

DEBT SERVICE:

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-0100-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-8020-5522 (Interest) \$12,537
01-0500-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-8020-5522 (Interest) \$10,563
01-1350-5110 (Regular Wages) 01-8020-5522 (Interest) \$12,821
\$35,921

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in Debt Service interest payments due to refunding in March.

PENSION PLANS:

FROM: TO: AMOUNT

01-9530-5211 (Postage, Box Rent, Etc.) 01-9530-5258 (Other Prof. Svc.) \$422
01-9530-5221 (Printing & Duplic) 01-9530-5258 (Other Prof. Svc.) \$715
01-9530-5225 (Typing Svc) 01-9530-5258 (Other Prof. Svc.) \$560
01-9540-5418 (Ins Premium) 01-9530-5258 (Other Prof. Svc.) \$1,637
01-0400-5110 (Reg. Wages) 01-9530-5258 (Other Prof. Svc.) \$6,590
\$9,924

This transfer is to cover a shortfall in Other Professional Services.

**** MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO ADOPT THE TRANSFERS AS SET FORTH IN SECTION B**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

OTHER BUSINESS - C

RESOLUTION, APPROPRIATING \$750,000 FOR NATHANIEL ELY CHILD CARE CENTER, CONTINGENT UPON RECEIVING STATE FUNDS

Mr. Hamilton reviewed the item and said that this is a request for a Special Capital Appropriation for \$75,000 for the Nathaniel Ely Child Care Center.

Mr. Hamilton explained that they do not have the formal letter from the Department of Social Services at this point, but recommends moving forward on this appropriation with the understanding that the City will not go forward with the project until such time as it becomes available.

Mayor Moccia said that he would ask Governor Rell for assistance on this item as well as Representative Mann.

**** MR. CLARK MOVED APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

RESOLUTION, TO APPROVE WPCA APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$191,000 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE IPP SURVEY. APPROPRIATION TO BE FUNDED FROM THE WPCA FUND BALANCE

Mr. Hamilton explained that the WPCA board approved this appropriation from their fund balance. This is for capital repairs to their system. Mr. Wilms said that he sits on that Board and fully supports this item.

There is an issue with grease, especially from many of the restaurants.

**** MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

RESOLUTION, TO CLOSE OUT A \$250,000 CAPITAL APPROPRIATION THAT HAS NOT BEEN EXPENDED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TICKETING COUNTER FOR THE MARITIME AQUARIUM IN THE MARITIME GARAGE

Mr. Hamilton said that in 2003, the City appropriated \$250,000 for this project. The Maritime Aquarium concluded that they did not want to construct a ticketing area in the garage and this project is closed.

Mr. Sheehan explained that the costs associated with the operation of a ticket office as an independent structure became a concern for The Maritime Aquarium and they went to the City and explained that they no longer wanted to pursue this project.

**** MAYOR MOCCIA MOVED TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RESOLUTION, TO APPROPRIATE \$150,000 TO COMPLETE TWO SOUTH
NORWALK LIGHTING PROJECTS**

Mr. Hamilton said that this is a request for \$150,000 to fund an existing capital budget account for SoNo street lighting.

Mr. Sheehan said that most of the lights in the area are out and this is a public safety concern.

**** MR. CLARK MOVED TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Moccia announced that Mr. Wells will be the Board of Estimate's representative on the NFCC.

There was no further business and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Lombardi
Telesco Secretarial Services