



**TOWN OF GREENWICH
BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION
BUDGET COMMITTEE
FY2022 – 2023 BUDGET, DECISION DAY 2 MINUTES**

Hybrid Virtual & Town Hall Meeting Room, 1st Floor – 9:00 A.M.
Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Present:

- Committee: Leslie L. Tarkington, Chair; Nisha Arora, Laura Erickson, Leslie Moriarty
- Staff: Agnes Cawai, Assistant Budget and Systems Manager, Finance Department; Roland Gieger, Director, Budget and Systems, Finance; Jenny Larkin, IT Dept; Peter Mynarski, Comptroller
- BET: Dan Ozizmir, Board Chairman; Michael Bashan, William Drake, Miriam Kreuzer, Jeffrey S. Ramer, David Weisbrod
- Public: Ken Borsuk, Reporter, *Greenwich Time*; Clare Kilgallen; Laurence Simon, Chairman, Board of Directors, The Nathaniel Witherell

Ms. Tarkington, Committee Chair, welcomed the audience to BET Budget Committee's Decision Day 2, the continuation and final day of the Budget Committee's deliberations on the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget. During Day 2, decisions will be made on the FY23 operating and capital budgets, including on how the Budget will be funded using taxation and fund balances.

The BET approved Budget Guidelines frame decisions. In the Estimate, Total Department Operating Costs, before benefits, were projected for the Town to increase by 2.25% and for Schools by 2.65%; their proposed budgets were delivered at increases of 3.16% and 2.82%, respectively. The increase year-over-year is \$3.9 million for the Town and \$4.9 million for Schools.

In the Estimate, capital projects were projected at \$70 million. The delivered capital budget is \$87.0 million, exceeding Estimate capital projects by 24%. Some projects require additional substantial funding in future years. Prioritization, although requested, was not provided.

As the final day in the Town's FY23 Budget series, Ms. Tarkington thanked Budget Committee members Leslie, Nisha, and Laura, and Pete, Roland, Agnes, and Shira, and, recording Secretary, Cathy Sidor for their contributions.

DECISION DAY TWO Votes

BET Budget Committee					March 8, 2022		
FY23 Decision Day Actions - Day 2							
MOTION: Approve the First Selectman's Proposed FY23 Operating & Capital Budget					LM/NA		
The following Amendments were made:							
Schools	GHS cell service	Delete (move to ESSER)	(1,100,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Network infrastructure	Delete (move to ESSER)	(278,000)	LT/LM	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
		Move to operating	(278,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0		
	Security upgrades	Move to operating	(340,000)	LE/LM	4-0-0		
	Abatement	Delete	(74,000)	LE/LT	4-0-0		
	ADA Compliance	Unbundle					
	Masonry	Reduce for CMS repair	(2,500,000)	LM/LE	4-0-0		
	CMS Renovation		2,250,000	LM/LT	4-0-0		
	Finishes after HVAC	Delete	(36,000)	LE/LT	3-0-1	NO: LM	
	Life Safety	Reduce by \$400,000	(400,000)	NA/LT	3-1-0	NO: LE	
	Other (light, paint paving)	Defer	(490,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Server room	Defer		NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Stage renovation	Reduce by \$99,000	(99,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Athletic field	Delete	(413,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Playground	Delete \$371k	(371,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Ceilings & lighting	Maintenance for reno projects	(250,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0		
	Masonry	Maintenance for reno projects	(31,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0		
	HVAC	Maintenance for reno projects	(453,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0		
	Other minor reno	Maintenance for reno projects	(200,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0		
	Plumbing & Electrical	Maintenance for reno projects	(661,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0		
	Window and Doors	Maintenance for reno projects	(382,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0		
Parks	Binny Park Maintenance	Move to operating	(75,000)	LM/LT	4-0-0		
	Field Improvement Plan	Delete	(600,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Pomerance/Tuchman study	Delete	(40,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Tree at Risk	Reduce by \$100,00	(100,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
		Move to operating	(250,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Ferry Dock	Delete	(20,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Ferry Dry Dock	Move to operating	(290,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0		
	Sand replacement	Move to operating	(25,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	ADA Changes	Reduce to \$65,000	(185,000)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Pickleball court additions	Add to Bible Street	116,000	LE/LM	3-1-0	NO:LT	
	Total Changes to Capital	Reductions =	6,024,000				
		Move to Operating =	2,358,000				
		TOTAL REDUCED =	8,382,000				

FUNDS							
Parking	Cut 1 car		(45,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	Cut meter head replacement		(135,000)	NA/LT	3-1-0	NO:LE	
	Solar concept	Defer project	(82,500)	NA/LT	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
		Reduce project for study	(62,500)	LE/LT	2-2-0	NO:LT,NA	
TNW	Chapel windows	Delete (maybe Friends)	(60,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
	General capital	Move to operating	(95,000)	LE/NA	4-0-0		
	Nursing capital	Move to operating	(20,000)	LM/NA	4-0-0		
	Elevators	Delete	(500,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
Sewer	Grass Island WWTD	Delete (ARP Act)	(500,000)	LE/LT	4-0-0		
	Bond/BAN interest	Delete	(8,000)	LT/LE	4-0-0		
Golf	Driving range cover	Delete	(65,000)	LM/LE	4-0-0		
	Restaurant/clubhouse study	Delete	(75,000)	LT/NA	2-2-0	NO:LM,LE	
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Motion	Unrestricted Fund Balance	Increase Use of Unrestricted FB by \$1,988,426 to \$18,649,426, and					
	Capital & Non-Recurring	Increase Use of Capital Non-Rec to \$8MM	NA/LT				
	Capital Tax Levy	Capital Tax Levy at \$52 MM (+\$2,358,000)					
Amendment	Capital Tax Levy	Increase Use of Capital Tax Levy to \$54 MM,	LM/LE				
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SEWER MAINTENANCE FUND				
As presented. Resulting Mill Rate increase is 0.459%			LE/NA	4-0-0
SEWER IMPROVEMENT FUND				
As amended. Resulting Mill Rate increase is 0.050%			LE/NA	4-0-0
SCHOOL LUNCH FUND				
As presented			NA/LM	4-0-0
PARKING FUND				
As amended			NA/LM	4-0-0
GRIFFITH E. HARRIS GOLF COURSE FUND				
As amended			NA/LM	4-0-0
RETIREMENT FUND				
As presented			NA/LM	4-0-0
OPEB FUND				
As amended			NA/LM	4-0-0
SHELLFISH COMMISSION				
As amended			NA/LM	4-0-0
HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION				
As presented			NA/LM	4-0-0
NATHANIEL WITHERLL				
As amended			NA/LM	4-0-0

The BET Budget Committee Decision Day 2 meeting adjourned at 6:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Sidor

Catherine Sidor, Recording Secretary

Leslie L. Tarkington

Leslie L. Tarkington, BET Budget Committee Chair