



MINUTES of the Special Meeting of the Board of Estimate and Taxation held on Thursday, September 10, 2020 in a virtual Zoom webinar, Greenwich, CT.

Chairman Michael S. Mason called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

Board members in attendance:

Michael S. Mason, Chairman
Karen Fassuliotis, Vice Chairman
William Drake, Clerk (Absent)
Andreas Duus III
Laura Erickson
Debra Hess
Miriam Kreuzer
Elizabeth K. Krumeich
Leslie Moriarty
Jeffrey S. Ramer
Leslie L. Tarkington
David Weisbrod

Staff: Aamina Ahmad, Assistant Town Attorney; Robert Berry, Deputy Chief, Greenwich Police Department (GPD); Elaine Brown, Executive Assistant, Finance Department (Dept); James Heavey, Chief, GPD; Peter Mynarski, Comptroller; Demetria Nelson, Commissioner, Human Services Dept.

RTM: Josh Brown, (D-1), Labor Contracts Committee (Cmte); Irene Dietrich, (D-8), Health & Human Services Cmte

PUBLIC: Ken Borsuk, Reporter, *Greenwich Time*; Horst Tebbe, GCTV

1. Police Body Camera Informational Presentation

Chairman Mason thanked BET members, Ms. Fassuliotis and Ms. Moriarty, for the comprehensive aggregation of questions from the BET; and also, the Police, Finance, and Law Departments for the additional information and responses provided including those from the body camera vendor, AXON. The information will be forwarded to the RTM and available to the public to explain the need and uses for the Police Body Cameras as a new resource for law enforcement and as required by recent Connecticut State Legislation.

2. Request for Budget Adjustment

NON-ROUTINE APPLICATIONS

<u>Number</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
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PD-1	Police Z213 59000	\$359,298	Additional Appropriation Body Cameras
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Police Chief Heavey explained that an additional appropriation was necessary to cover a revised cost of software and hardware and staffing in preparation for the State government finalizing its new standards of police accountability. Chief Heavey remarked that he would be reflecting the impact of the new legislation by revising the Police Department's future capital requests and its 15-year strategic plan for additional equipment needed.

Assistant Town Attorney Ahmad commented on customization requested of AXON's contract terms and conditions. Mr. Mason confirmed that the contract and background information assembled from the BET questions, will be forwarded to the RTM Finance and Town Services Committees in preparation for the RTM September meeting.

The Board voted 11-0-0 to approve the GPD application for an Additional Appropriation of \$359,298. Motion carried.

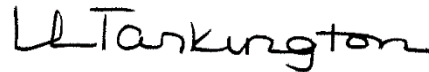
3. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Ms. Erickson, seconded by Ms. Kreuzer, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:23 A.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Catherine Sidor, Recording Secretary



Leslie L. Tarkington, Acting Clerk of the Board for William Drake, and Chair, Budget Committee



Michael Mason, Chairman