

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 2, 2024**

ATTENDANCE: Acting Chair: Aidee Nieves Council President; Eneida Martinez, Maria Valle; AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia

OTHER: Scott Appleby, Director of Emergency Management & Homeland Security; Angelica Ojeda, Central Grants Office; Angel DePara, Public Facilities

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Aidee Nieves, Acting Chair called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. There was a quorum present. She reported that the Co-chairs were not present due to scheduling conflicts and primary voting taking place at this time.

Council President Nieves reported that with the absence of the Co-chairs, she offered to chair today's meeting.

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO HAVE COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES APPOINTED AS CHAIR OF TODAY'S MEETING.**
- ** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia noted that the meeting had started late due to the fact that the meeting was not on the calendar.

Approval of Committee Minutes

- Approval of Committee Minutes: October 3, 2023 (Regular Meeting).
- Approval of Committee Minutes: January 3, 2024 (Regular Meeting).
- Approval of Committee Minutes: February 13, 2024 (Regular Meeting).

Council Member Valle asked to combine the minutes into one approval motion, but it was noted that those who had attended the meetings were not present.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE MOVED TO TABLE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETINGS FROM OCTOBER 2023, JANUARY 2024 AND FEBRUARY 2024.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** THE MOTION TO TABLE THE MINUTES PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

52-23 Grant Submission: re State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection- Emergency Management Performance Grant (FY23-27). *(Note: Item #52-23 can be found on the City of Bridgeport’s Website: Boards & Commissions; City Council; Meeting Minutes, Agendas & Notices; 2023-2024 Full/Agenda Package; 2024-03-18.pdf)*

Mr. Scott Appleby presented the item and reviewed supporting documents to provide the project summary and description as follows:

Project Summary/Description:

The City of Bridgeport is seeking funding available through a formula grant for reimbursement of Emergency Management services. Funds will be utilized to cover a portion of the salary and fringe of the Director of Emergency Management and the Special Projects Coordinator. This resolution is being requested to cover a 5-year period due to the purpose and allocation remaining the same from year to year.

CONTRACT PERIOD: FY23-27

FUNDING SOURCES (include matching funds):	
Federal:	\$79,419.45 (FY23) subsequent fiscal year allocations will be based on population
State:	\$ 0
City:	\$ 72,199.50
Other:	\$ 0

GRANT FUNDED PROJECT FUNDS REQUESTED	
Salaries/Benefits:	\$ 144,399.00
Supplies:	\$ 0
Construction:	\$ 0
Other:	\$ 7,219.95 (PPE)

MATCH REQUIRED		
	CASH	IN-KIND
Source: EOC		
Salaries/Benefits:	\$ 0	\$ 72,199.50
Supplies:	\$ 0	\$ 0
Construction:	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other:	\$ 0	\$ 0

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There was discussion on Homeland Security funds available for immigrants arriving in the Bridgeport. Mr. Appleby explained that they will ask for more funding in the absence of FEMA funds and with a 44 increase of immigrants, there is a budget gap on top of the existing homeless issue.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM 52-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: RE: STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (FY23-27).**

RESOLUTION:

1. That it is cognizant of the City's grant application to and contract with **State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection** for the purpose of its **Emergency Management Performance Grant**; and
2. That it hereby authorizes, directs, and empowers the Mayor or his designee, the Director of Central Grants, to accept any funds that result from the City's application to **State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection** and to provide such additional information and to execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to administer this program.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA SECONDED THE MOTION.
** THE MOTION TO PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ADD THE FOLLOWING ITEM TO THE AGENDA:**

Resolution Regarding Sidewalk Repair Pilot Program

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA SECONDED THE MOTION.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Angel DePara of Public Facilities introduced the item and explained the process is being revamped and restructured to enable others to bid. He referred to the supporting documentation and fielded questions and comments from Committee members regarding the vetting and application process.

Mr. DePara explained that he has a dedicated email and his direct phone line is listed on the application paperwork and he has in-depth conversations with the applicants and walks them through every step of the process. He added that the list is from 2023 of applicants that have gone through the vetting process.

Council Member Valle asked for the totals on the lists, and Mr. DePara replied that he will provide the totals by email of the city costs for the list as attached.

Sidewalk Repair PILOT Program - Cost Estimates

St #	St Address	Zip	Owner First	Owner Last	Homeowner	COB	Total
54	Adam Street	06607	Jennifer	McCleary	\$4,068.50	\$4,068.50	\$8,137.00
177	Ash Street	06605	Victorino	Rodriguez	\$4,232.50	\$4,232.50	\$8,465.00
297	Bradley Street	06610	Wendy A	Fuller	\$2,633.00	\$2,633.00	\$5,266.00
327	Cleveland Avenue	06606	Cynthia F.	Seastrong	\$4,314.50	\$4,314.50	\$8,629.00
85	Cottage Street	06604	Charles David	Wilson	\$3,691.00	\$3,691.00	\$7,382.00
36	Durando Place	06605	Virginia C	Lussier	\$2,733.50	\$2,733.50	\$5,467.00
784	Ellsworth Street	06605	Yesenia S	Falcon	\$4,641.50	\$4,641.50	\$9,283.00
191	Fifth Street	06607	Jacqueline Kemp	and Johnny L. Kemp	\$3,317.50	\$3,317.50	\$6,635.00
632	Grand Street	06604	Maria Rita	Soares	\$5,649.00	\$5,649.00	\$11,298.00
620	Granfield Avenue	06610	Ana Maria	Mercedes	\$5,592.00	\$5,592.00	\$11,184.00
271	Grovers Avenue	06605	Melvin L Liebergall	and Maureen R Liebergall	\$7,380.50	\$7,380.50	\$14,761.00
280	Grovers Avenue	06605	Peter Spain	Kate Spain	\$8,986.50	\$8,986.50	\$17,973.00
43	Herkimer Street	06604	Ricardi	Philogene	\$2,569.50	\$2,569.50	\$5,139.00
1477	Iranistan Avenue	06605	Paul V.	Kien	\$2,978.50	\$2,978.50	\$5,957.00
206	Judson Place	06610	Maria	Medina	\$2,763.50	\$2,763.50	\$5,527.00
413	Lincoln Avenue	06606	Jose F Santos	and Odette Santos	\$3,481.00	\$3,481.00	\$6,962.00
1125	Undley Street	06606	Robert Jelliffe Sr	and Ruth Jelliffe	\$3,057.00	\$3,057.00	\$6,114.00
71	Lorraine Terrace	06604	Thuy T Nguyen	and Henry V Nguyen	\$4,597.00	\$4,597.00	\$9,194.00
122	Morningside Drive	06606	Joann	Lopez	\$3,329.50	\$3,329.50	\$6,659.00
630	Noble Avenue	06608	Oliqueida	Penalo, et al	\$8,920.50	\$8,920.50	\$17,841.00
127	North Bishop Avenue	06610	Noel Perez	and Maria Perez (Survivorship)	\$3,020.00	\$3,020.00	\$6,040.00
118	Ocean Avenue	06605	Camille E.	Fox	\$3,048.00	\$3,048.00	\$6,096.00
1610	Park Avenue	06604	Pauline	Forbes	\$4,638.50	\$4,638.50	\$9,277.00
2199	Park Avenue	06604	Linda	Tobin-Hunter	\$3,767.50	\$3,767.50	\$7,535.00
933	Pearl Harbor Street	06610	Nicky Mora	and Nilsa Mora	\$3,598.50	\$3,598.50	\$7,197.00
100	Pearl Street	06608	Donald Paul	and Kayon Boothe-Paul	\$1,751.50	\$1,751.50	\$3,503.00
250	Rocton Avenue	06606	Patricia E	Allen	\$4,095.00	\$4,095.00	\$8,190.00
325	Savoy Street	06606	Catherine	Vazquez	\$3,150.50	\$3,150.50	\$6,301.00
42	Summit Street	06606	Torry	Jordan	\$3,040.00	\$3,040.00	\$6,080.00
340	Summit Street	06606	Ladrina	Coleman	\$2,833.00	\$2,833.00	\$5,666.00
217	Tremont Avenue	06606	Elsy Cerdeira	and Janette Cerdeira	\$2,921.00	\$2,921.00	\$5,842.00
29	Waldorf Avenue	06605	Leandro Aca-Tello		\$7,530.50	\$7,530.50	\$15,061.00
273	Wayne Street	06606	Daniel Chaves	and Julliana L Chaves	\$3,211.00	\$3,211.00	\$6,422.00

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM 61-23
RESOLUTION REGARDING SIDEWALK REPAIR PILOT PROGRAM.
** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA SECONDED THE MOTION.
** THE MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 61-23 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADJOURNMENT

****COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO ADJOURN.
**COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE SECONDED THE MOTION.
THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services