



CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS

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- Marianne L. LaBarge, Ward 6
- Rachel Maiore, Ward 7

Meeting Agenda
On-line Video Conference
Meeting Date: December 16, 2021
Meeting Time: 7 p.m.

The December 16, 2021 City Council meeting will be held by remote participation. The public can follow the council's deliberations by watching the meeting live on Comcast channel 15, live-streaming it on YouTube or joining the virtual meeting by phone or computer. For the active YouTube link, please see Northampton Open Media's website: <http://northamptonopenmedia.org/>

Live public comment will be available using telephone call-in or video conferencing technology beginning at 7p.m.

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MEETING ID: 813 8907 1735

PARTICIPANT #: #

PASSCODE: 163968

1. Announcement that Meeting is Being Audio/Video Recorded

This meeting is being audio and video recorded.

2. Public Comment

3. Roll Call

4. Public Hearings

A. 7:05 pm Public Hearing on 21.347 and 21.348 National Grid/Verizon Pole Petition for One (1) Jointly-owned (JO) Pole on Cross Path Road and National Grid petition to install 330 feet of underground conduit and two heavy-duty handholes on Cross Path Road (Petition #30408955)

Per M.G.L. Ch. 166, Section 22, the Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 7:05 p.m.** on National Grid/Verizon New England's petition to install one jointly-owned (JO) pole on Cross Path Road and National Grid's petition to install 330 feet of underground conduit leading to the pole and two heavy-duty handholes on Cross Path Road (Petition #30408955). The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

Documents:

[21.347 National Grid-Verizon Joint Pole Petition for Cross Path Road \(Petition No. 30408955\).pdf](#)

[21.348 National Grid Petition to Install Underground Conduit on Old Ferry Road \(Petition No. 30408955\).pdf](#)

[21.347 and 21.348 DPW Recommendation.pdf](#)

5. Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs

6. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

7. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

8. Resolutions

9. Presentations

10. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of December 2, 2021

11. Recess for Committee on Finance (See Separate Agenda)

12. Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review)

Rule 2.6 requires the Finance Committee to consider certain financial matters.

A. 21.375 An Order Authorizing a Five-Year Contract for Connecticut River Channel Marking - 1st reading

Process note: Two readings are respectfully requested to complete the transaction within the 2020-2021 council session.

Documents:

[21.375 An Order Authorizing a Five-Year Contract for Connecticut River Channel Marking.pdf](#)

13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 21.357 An Order to Authorize the Conservation Commission to Acquire a Conservation Restriction on North Farms Road - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.357 An Order to Authorize the Conservation Commission to Acquire a Conservation Restriction on North Farms Road.pdf](#)

B. 21.358 An Order to Appropriate \$3,000 in CPA Funds to Lathrop Communities for Continued Invasive Species Removal - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.358 An Order to Appropriate 3,000 in CPA Funds to Lathrop Communities for Continued Invasive Species Removal.pdf](#)

C. 21.359 An Order to Appropriate \$31,922 in CPA Funds to Historic Northampton for Shepherd Barn Artifacts Project - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/16/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.359 An Order to Appropriate 31,922 in CPA Funds to Historic Northampton for Shepherd Barn Artifacts Project.pdf](#)

D. 21.360 An Order to Appropriate \$20,000 in CPA Funds for Farmland Rehabilitation at the Community Farm and Garden - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.360 An Order to Appropriate 20,000 in CPA Funds for Farmland Rehabilitation at the Community Farm and Garden.pdf](#)

E. 21.361 An Order to Appropriate \$100,000 in CPA Funds to the Rocky Hill Accessible Trail Project - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/02/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/02/2021

Documents:

[21.361 An Order to Appropriate 100,000 in CPA Funds to the Rocky Hill Accessible Trail Project.pdf](#)

F. 21.362 An Order to Appropriate \$230,100 in CPA Funds to Valley CDC for a Mortgage Subsidy Program - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.362 An Order to Appropriate 230,100 in CPA Funds to Valley CDC for a Mortgage Subsidy Program.pdf](#)

G. 21.365 An Order to Appropriate \$608,000 in CPA Funds to Independent Housing Solutions for Housing the Disabled Homeless Project - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.365 An Order to Appropriate 608,000 in CPA Funds to Independent Housing Solutions for Housing the Disabled Homeless Project.pdf](#)

H. 21.366 An Order to Appropriate \$13,000 in CPA Funds to Northampton Parks and Rec for Pickleball Feasibility Assessment - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.366 An Order to Appropriate 13,000 in CPA Funds to Northampton Parks and Rec for Pickleball Feasibility Assessment.pdf](#)

I. 21.367 An Order to Appropriate \$70,000 in CPA Funds to OPS for Ct. River Greenway Water Access Project - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading (Councilor Foster recused) - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.366 An Order to Appropriate 13,000 in CPA Funds to Northampton Parks and Rec for Pickleball Feasibility Assessment.pdf](#)

J. 21.368 An Order to Appropriate \$82,900 in CPA Funds to Michelson Galleries for 132 Main Street Facade Project - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.368 An Order to Appropriate 82,900 in CPA Funds to Michelson Galleries for 132 Main Street Facade Project.pdf](#)

K. 21.369 An Order to Appropriate \$233,400 in CPA Funds to OPS and Conservation Commission for Priority Property Acquisitions - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.369 An Order to Appropriate 233,400 in CPA Funds to OPS and Conservation Commission for Priority Property Acquisitions.pdf](#)

L. 21.371 An Ordinance Extending the Effective Date of Section 272-18 to July 1, 2022 - 2nd reading

History:

- Waiver to Referral to Legislative Matters Approved - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.371 An Ordinance Extending the Effective Date of Section 272-18 to July 1, 2022.pdf](#)

M. 21.372 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of a Parcel of Land on the Northerly Side of Westhampton Road - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.372 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of a Parcel of Land on the Northerly Side of Westhampton Road.pdf](#)

[21.372 Order of Taking.pdf](#)

[21.372 Survey of Land Now or Formerly of Luman E. Bartlett.pdf](#)

N. 21.373 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash and Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to Various Capital Projects - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021

- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.373 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash and Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to Various Capital Projects.pdf](#)

O. 21.374 An Order to Accept \$21.7 Million in American Rescue Plan Act Funds - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.374 An Order to Accept 21.7 Million in American Rescue Plan Act Funds.pdf](#)

14. Orders

A. 21.370 An Order to Amend the Council Rules - single reading only required

History:

- Tabled to 12/16/2021 - 12/2/2021
- Amendments submitted by Councilor Maiore and Councilor Jarrett - 12/10/2021

Documents:

[21.370 An Order to Amend the Council Rules - POST120221.pdf](#)

15. Ordinances (Not yet Referred)

Rule 5.2.3 provides that no ordinance shall be voted on by the City Council until it has been considered by the Committee on Legislative Matters.

16. Ordinances

17. Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Committee Study Requests

18. New Business

19. Adjourn

Contact: G-L Sciarra, Council President
glsciarra@northamptonma.gov
(413) 570-3133



October 14, 2021

The City Council of Northampton, Massachusetts

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a petition of NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON, covering joint NATIONAL GRID-VERIZON pole location(s)

If you have any questions regarding this permit, please contact:

Diane Clowes 413-582-7408

Please notify National Grid's **Lisa Ayres** of the hearing date / time.

If this petition meets with your approval, please return an executed copy to each of the above-named Companies.

National Grid: Lisa Ayres; 1101 Turnpike Street; North Andover, MA 01845
978-725-1418

Very truly yours,

Jim Kehrer/lla

Jim Kehrer
Supervisor, Distribution Design

Enclosures

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I sketch
for both petitions

Questions contact - Diane Clowes 413-582-7408
PETITION FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

North Andover, Massachusetts

To the City Council
Of Northampton, Massachusetts

Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and Verizon New England, Inc requests permission to locate poles, wires, and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way:

Cross Path Rd. - National Grid to install (1) JO pole 20-50 on Cross Path beginning at a point approximately 85 feet north of the centerline of the intersection of Old Ferry Rd. for underground primary riser.

Location approximately as shown on plan attached.

Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked – Cross Path Rd. - Northampton, Massachusetts.

30408955

Also, for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioner agrees to reserve space for one cross-arm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire, police, telephone, and telegraph signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a
NATIONAL GRID *Jim Kehrer/lla*

BY _____
Engineering Department

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

BY *Albert E. Bessette*
Manager / Right of Way

Dated: September 22, 2021

30408955 Joint Pole Petition - Cross Path Rd.

Questions contact – Diane Clowes 413-582-7408

ORDER FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

To the City Council - Northampton, Massachusetts

Notice having been given and public hearing held, as provided by law,
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

that Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC. (formerly known as NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY) be and they are hereby granted joint or identical locations for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, as requested in petition of said Companies dated the 22nd day of September 2021.

All construction under this order shall be in accordance with the following conditions:

Poles shall be of sound timber, and reasonable straight, and shall be set substantially at the points indicated upon the plan marked – Cross Path Rd. - Northampton, Massachusetts.

30408955 Filed with this order:

There may be attached to said poles by Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and Verizon New England Inc. such wires, cables, and fixtures as needed in their business and all of said wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than twenty (20) feet from the ground.

The following are the public ways or part of ways along which the poles above referred to may be erected, and the number of poles which may be erected thereon under this order:

Cross Path Rd. - National Grid to install (1) JO pole 20-50 on Cross Path beginning at a point approximately 85 feet north of the centerline of the intersection of Old Ferry Rd. for underground primary riser

Also, for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the
Of the City/Town of _____, Massachusetts held on the _____ day of _____ 20 .

Massachusetts

City/Town Clerk.
20 .

Received and entered in the records of location orders of the City/Town of
Book _____ Page _____

Attest:
City/Town Clerk

I hereby certify that on _____ 20____, at _____ o'clock, M
At _____ a public hearing was held on the petition of
Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND,
INC. for permission to erect the poles, wires, and fixtures described in the order herewith recorded,
and that we mailed at least seven days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of
said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment
for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which the Company is permitted to erect
Poles, wires, and fixtures under said order. And that thereupon said order was duly adopted.

City/Town Clerk.

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Board or Council of Town or City, Massachusetts

CERTIFICATE

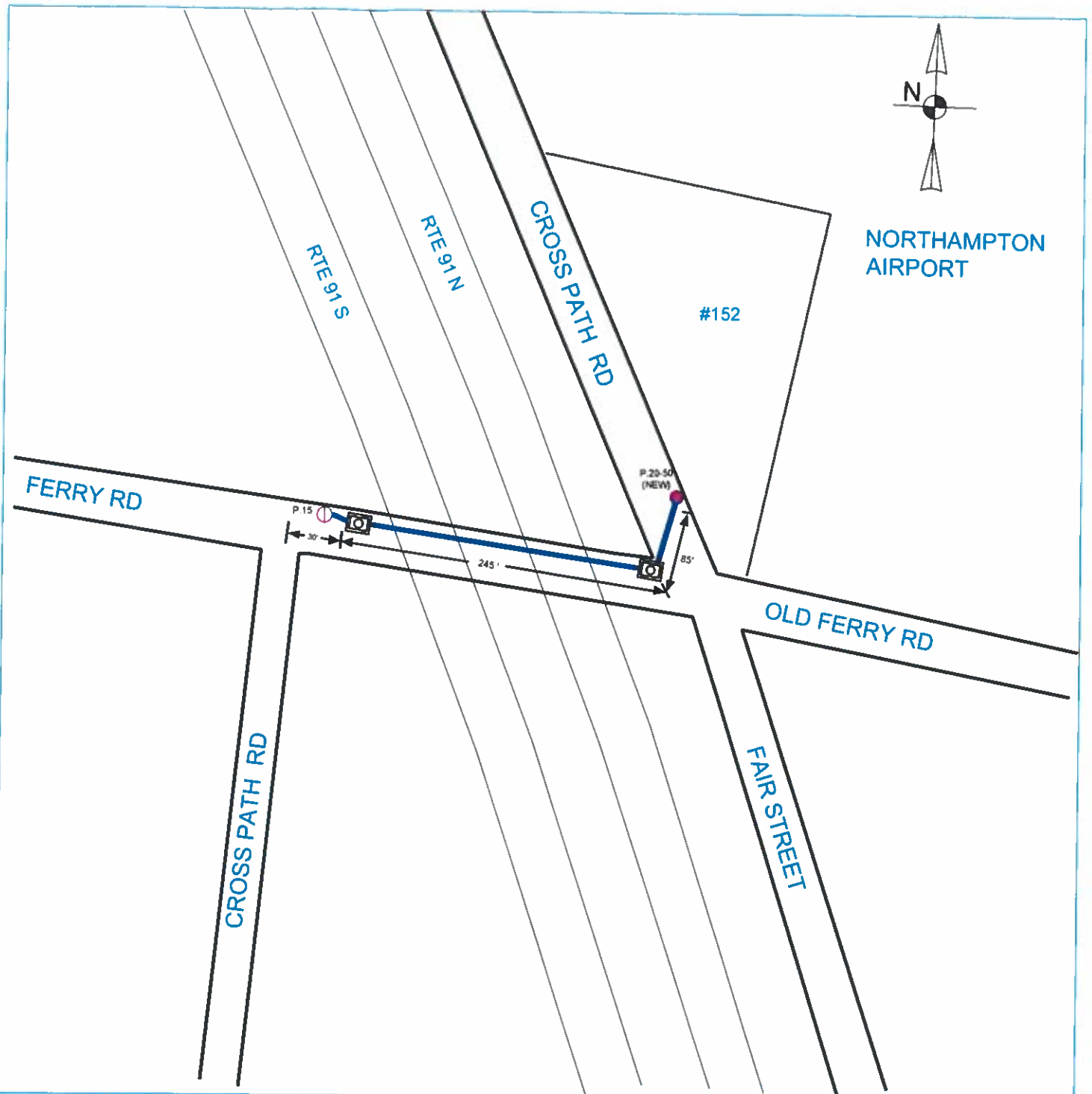
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the location order and certificate of
hearing with notice adopted by the _____ of the City of
Massachusetts, on the _____ day of 20____ and recorded with the records of location orders
of the said City, Book _____, and Page _____. This certified copy is made under the
provisions of Chapter 166 of General Laws and any additions thereto or amendments thereof.

Attest:
City/Town Clerk



NORTHAMPTON AIRPORT

#152



UNDERGROUND PETITION

nationalgrid

LEGEND

- CONDUIT (2-4" CONCRETE ENCASED) W/ NGRID UNDERGROUND PRIMARY
- PROPOSED JO POLE
- HEAVY DUTY HANDHOLE (IN STREET)
- EXISTING JO POLE

Date: 08/24/2021

Plan Number: 30408955

To Accompany Petition Dated:

To The: CITY of NORTHAMPTON, MA

For Proposed: INSTALL (2) HDHH & ~330' CONDUIT / UG PRIMARY FROM EXISTING P.15 OLD FERRY RD TO PROPOSED P.20-50 CROSS PATH RD

Location: OLD FERRY RD & CROSS PATH RD

Date Of Original Grant:

Date: 08/24/2021 Drawn By: D.CLOWES

DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE



October 14, 2021

City Council
Town of Northampton

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a petition of NATIONAL GRID covering the installation of underground facilities.

If you have any questions regarding this permit, please contact:

Diane Clowes 413-582-7408

If this petition meets with your approval, please return an executed copy to:

National Grid: Lisa Ayres; 1101 Turnpike Street; North Andover, MA 01845
(978)725-1418

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jim Kehrer/lla".

Jim Kehrer
Name: Distribution Design Supervisor
Supervisor, Distribution Design

Enclosures

Questions contact – Diane Clowes 413-582-7408

Petition of the Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID
Of NORTH ANDOVER, MASSACHUSETTS
For Electric Conduit Location:

To the City Council of Northampton

Respectfully represents the Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID of North Andover, Massachusetts, that it desires to construct a line of underground electric conduits, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, under and across the public way or ways hereinafter named.

Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted permission to excavate the public highways and to run and maintain underground electric conduits, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary for the transmission of electricity, said underground conduits to be located substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked – Old Ferry Rd @ Cross Path Rd. - Northampton, Massachusetts.

The following are the streets and highways referred to: **30408955**

Old Ferry Rd. @ Cross Path Rd. - Beginning at a point approximately 30 feet east of the centerline of the intersection of Cross Path Rd. and continuing approximately 330 feet in an easterly and northerly direction; National Grid to install 2-4" conduit bank (encased in concrete) for primary underground cable beginning at Pole 15 Old Ferry Rd. and continuing east for ~ 245' then north for ~ 85' to new pole # 20-50 Cross Path Rd.

Location approximately as shown on plan attached.

Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a
NATIONAL GRID *Jim Kehrer/lla*

BY _____
Engineering Department

Dated: September 22, 2021

30408955-UG Conduit Petition Old Ferry Rd. @ Cross Path Rd.

ORDERED:

Notice having been given and public hearing held, as provided by law, that the Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID be and it is hereby granted permission to excavate the public highways and to run and maintain underground electric conduits, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said company may deem necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, and to make the necessary house connections along said extensions, as requested in petition with said company dated the 22 day of September 2021.

Said underground electric conduits shall be located substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked – Old Ferry Rd. @ Cross Path Rd. - Northampton, Massachusetts 30408955

The following are the public ways or part of ways along which the underground electric conduits above referred to may be laid:

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Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID for permission to construct the
underground electric conduits described in the order herewith recorded, and that I mailed at least
seven days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the
owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways
or parts of ways upon which the Company is permitted to construct the underground electric
conduits under said order. And that thereupon said order was duly adopted.

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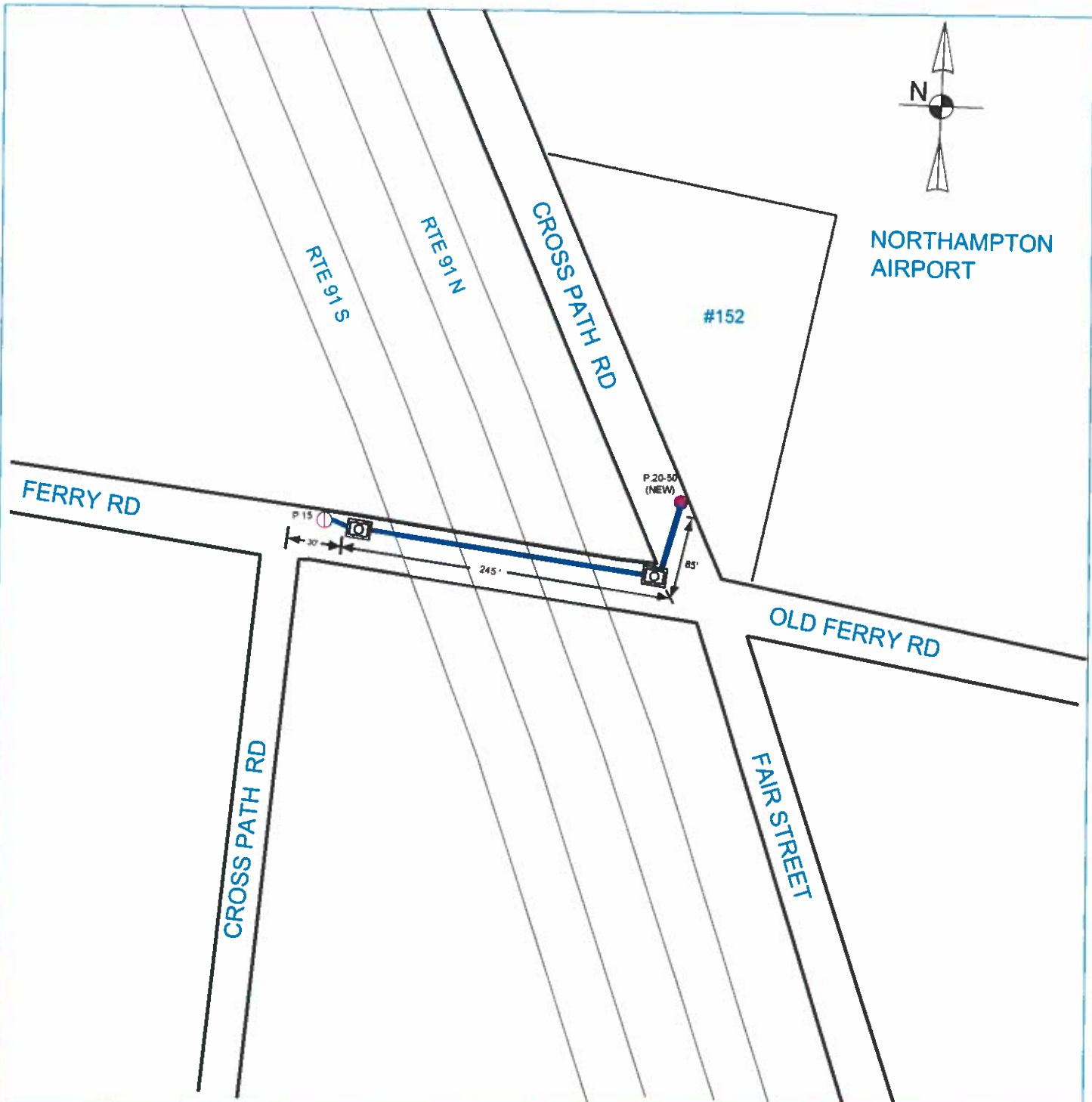
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Date Of Original Grant:

Date: 08/24/2021 Drawn By: D.CLOWES

DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
125 Locust Street
Northampton, MA 01060

413-587-1570
Fax 413-587-1576

Donna LaScaleia
Director

Memorandum

To: Donna LaScaleia

From: Kris Baker, P.E.

Date: December 1, 2021

Re: Petition No. 30408955 to Install Underground Conduit and a Joint Pole Location at Cross Path Road and Old Ferry Road

Approved 12-1-2021 M

National Grid is proposing to install the following as indicated on the Petition with Plan:

- One JO pole #20-50 on Cross Path Road, beginning at a point approximately 85 feet north of the centerline of the intersection of Old Ferry Road for an underground primary riser; and
- Approximately 330 feet of 2 to 4 inch conduit bank encased in concrete for primary underground cable beginning at Pole 15 on Old Ferry Road to the proposed pole #20-50 on Cross Path Road. The installation includes 2 heavy duty handholes in the street.

DPW Engineering staff conducted a site visit, and the new pole location was field-staked by National Grid.

The proposed conduit, handholes, and pole are greater than 10 feet from drain pipes, sewer pipes, and manholes. There are no trees in the vicinity of the project area and no apparent interference of trees. There is an existing 6" asbestos concrete water main in Old Ferry Road and in Cross Path Road, installed in 1963. The proposed conduit in Old Ferry Road appears to be located to the north of the water main, but within 5 feet, running parallel. In addition, the conduit as proposed crosses the Cross Path Road water line. The burial depth of the water line in this area is unknown and therefore, National Grid must conduct a test pit to locate the depth of the existing water line at the crossing prior to construction.

The proposed conduit, handholes, and pole may be installed as proposed following test pits to determine the water line depth at the crossing location in Cross Path Road. National Grid must obtain an Excavation/Trench Permit and coordinate with the Water Division at 413-587-1570 24 hours prior to excavation of both the test pits and the conduit. The crossing shall maintain a minimum clear vertical separation of 18 inches from the water line and the conduit running parallel to the water main shall be offset by a minimum of 5 feet.

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 16, 2021

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz and Planning & Sustainability

21.375 An Order Authorizing a Five-Year Contract for Connecticut River Channel Marking

WHEREAS, Northampton coordinates a multi-community effort to maintain channel markers on the Connecticut River for user safety, funded with contributions from multiple communities and other entities;

WHEREAS, A five year contract is necessary for the vendor to invest in necessary equipment and provides the best value to the City and its consortium;

Ordered, that

City Council authorizes the city, acting through its Office of Planning & Sustainability, to enter into a five-year contract for channel marking services.

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz, Planning & Sustainability, and the Conservation Commission

21.357 An Order to Authorize the Conservation Commission to Acquire a Conservation Restriction on North Farms Road

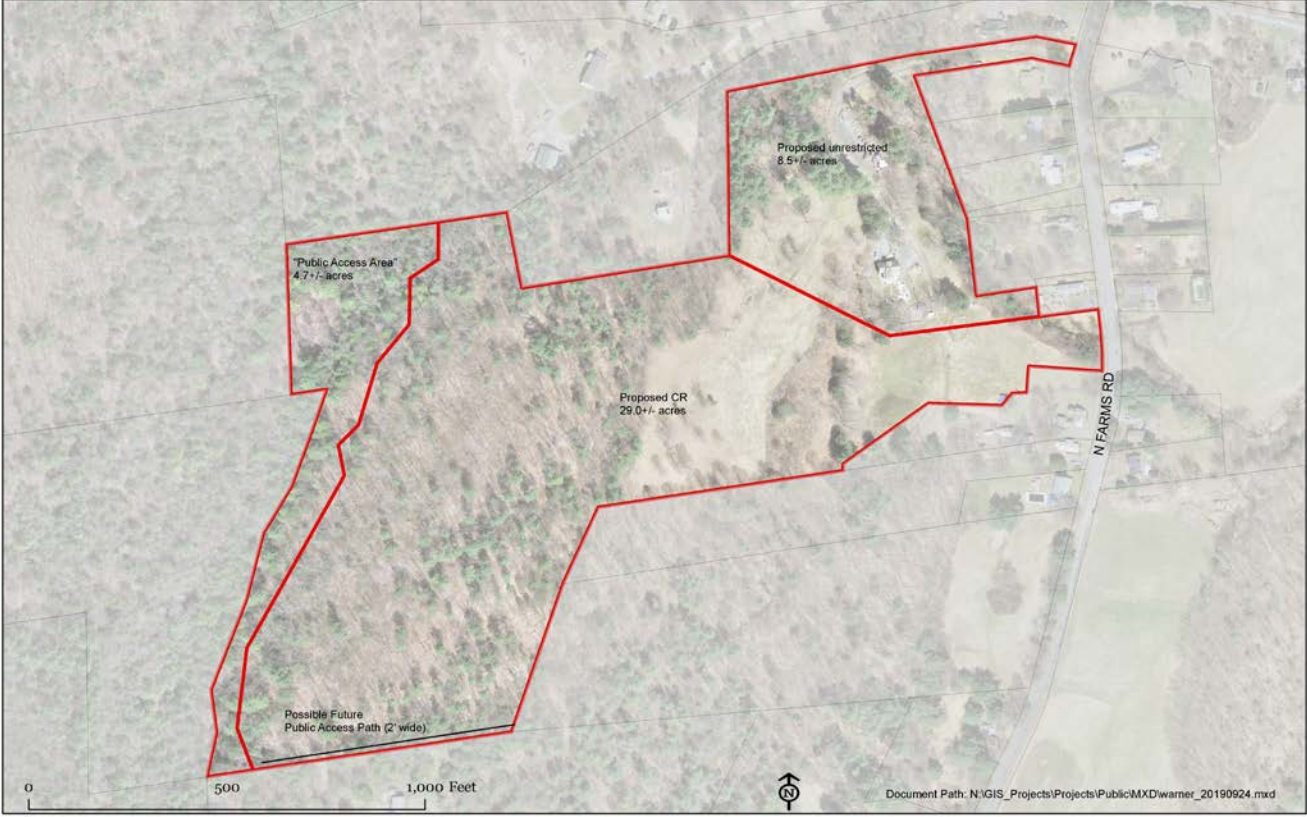
WHEREAS, the *Open Space, Recreation, and Multi-Use Trail Plan: 2018-2025* recommends linking conservation areas along Broad Brook and the surrounding areas to enhance wildlife values and create a continuous Broad Brook Greenway.; and

WHEREAS, Gary Warner has offered to donate to the City a conservation restriction on 34+/- acres on North Farms Road adjoining land already permanently protected as part of the Broad Brook Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the project will ensure that the open fields and forests contained on the Premises will be permanently available for sustainable agriculture and forestry, and will create public access on a portion of the area for hiking, and will provide a connection from North Farms Road to the Greenway;

Ordered, that

The Conservation Commission is authorized to acquire for conservation and passive recreation purposes, as provided by MGL Chapter 40, §8C, any fee, easement or conservation restriction as defined in MGL Chapter 184, §31 or any other interest in the above land and any immediately adjoining land; that the City Council hereby accepts such conservation restrictions; that the Conservation Commission is authorized to accept conservation restrictions on any land so acquired, with such related restrictions and agreements as the City determines are agreeable. Any such restrictions shall be held under the care, custody and control of the Conservation Commission, and are found to be in the public interest pursuant to Section 32 of Chapter 184 of the Massachusetts General Laws.



City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

21.358 An Order to Appropriate \$3,000 in CPA Funds to Lathrop Communities for Continued
Invasive Species Removal

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Lathrop Communities submitted an application for Community Preservation Act Small Grant funding for continued priority invasive species removal at its North and East campuses, on both of which the City holds permanent Conservation Restrictions.

WHEREAS, the project will continue to help improve and preserve the health of sensitive habitats in the Parsons and Broad Brook watersheds, has strong community support, and will continue to leverage private funds and extensive volunteer efforts.

WHEREAS, the applicant has welcomed public use of its popular trails, and will continue to increase public knowledge of the trails on the property as part of this project.

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted to recommend that \$3,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$3,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Lathrop Communities for the Invasives Removal and Education project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$3,000 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

21.359 An Order to Appropriate \$31,922 in CPA Funds to Historic Northampton for Shepherd Barn Artifacts Project

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, Historic Northampton, Inc. submitted an application for Community Preservation Act for professional conservator treatment of artifacts to preserve and prepare them for exhibit in the Shepherd Barn;

WHEREAS, the collections yield important information about Northampton's history, and are frequently accessed for research by community members, businesses, and nonprofits;

WHEREAS, improved collections storage was a critical recommendation of the Massachusetts State Historic Records Board, and will protect these resources for the future;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021 the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted unanimously to recommend that \$31,922 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$31,922 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to Historic Northampton, Inc. for the Shepherd Barn Artifacts project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$31,922 is appropriated from the CPA Historic Preservation Reserve (account #2344930-359932).

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

**21.360 An Order to Appropriate \$20,000 in CPA Funds for Farmland Rehabilitation at the
Community Farm and Garden**

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, Grow Food Northampton submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funding for farmland rehabilitation at the Community Farm and Garden;

WHEREAS, the project meets the goals of the Sustainable Northampton Plan, Northampton Community Preservation Plan, and Open Space, Recreation and Multi-use Trail by increasing community garden access and supporting agricultural operations on permanently protected farmland;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted to recommend that \$20,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$20,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Farmland Reclamation and Rehabilitation project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$20,000 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

21.361 An Order to Appropriate \$100,000 in CPA Funds to the Rocky Hill Accessible Trail Project

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Office of Planning and Sustainability and Conservation Commission submitted a Small Grants application for construction of a universally accessible trail network at the Pine Grove section of the Rocky Hill Greenway;

WHEREAS, the project meets the goals of the Sustainable Northampton Plan, Northampton Community Preservation Plan, and Open Space, Recreation and Multi-use Trail to provide for passive recreation and promote further exploration and contributes to public health by encouraging walking and hiking;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted unanimously to recommend that \$100,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$100,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Rocky Hill Accessible Trail project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$100,000 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

21.362 An Order to Appropriate \$230,100 in CPA Funds to Valley CDC for a Mortgage Subsidy Program

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, Valley Community Development Corporation submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funding for a Mortgage Subsidy Program;

WHEREAS, the project will provide \$50,000 in direct downpayment assistance through a deferred (interest and principal) payment loan to four homebuyers earning less than 100% of area median income to be able to afford a home in Northampton, with any loan recapture being redeposited into the Community Preservation Act revenue account;

WHEREAS, affordable homeownership for families is a high priority item in the Community Preservation Plan, and the project is supported by the Northampton Housing Partnership;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted unanimously to recommend that \$230,100 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$230,100 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Mortgage Subsidy program. And, that the grantee meets the conditions above, with any mortgage note approved by the Mayor and subject to conditions imposed by the Mayor.

Specifically, \$230,100 is appropriated from the CPA Affordable Housing Reserve (account #2344930-359933

City of Northampton

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In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

21.365 An Order to Appropriate \$608,000 in CPA Funds to Independent Housing Solutions for Housing the Disabled Homeless Project

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, Independent Housing Solutions, Inc. submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funding for creation of a supportive, ADA-accessible facility at 5 Franklin Street to house sixteen medically complex chronically houseless individuals;

WHEREAS, the project serves a desperate local and regional need and has widespread support;

WHEREAS, the applicant will retain a qualified affordable housing development consultant for the duration of the project to guide the project through to completion;

WHEREAS, prior to the release of CPA funds, the applicant will provide to the City of Northampton either an affordable housing restriction that is senior to other private financing that shall limit housing to individuals earning 100% of area median income or below, or a mortgage that could be released if the CPA funds are returned with principal and simple interest;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$608,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$608,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to Independent Housing Solutions for the Housing the Disabled Homeless Project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions contained herein and that the final affordable housing restriction or mortgage and the budget is approved by the Mayor, subject to conditions that the Mayor may impose.

Specifically, \$25,252 is appropriated from the CPA Affordable Housing Reserve (account #2344930-359933), and \$582,748 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

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In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

21.366 An Order to Appropriate \$13,000 in CPA Funds to Northampton Parks and Rec for Pickleball Feasibility Assessment

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, Northampton Parks and Recreation submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funds to conduct a feasibility study of existing City-owned recreation properties for the creation of outdoor pickleball courts;

WHEREAS, the project meets high priority goals of the Sustainable Northampton Plan, Northampton Community Preservation Plan, and Open Space, Recreation and Multi-use Trail Plan by creating recreational opportunities for residents of all ages and enhancing quality of life;

WHEREAS, pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in America and the project has widespread community support,

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$13,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$13,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Pickleball Feasibility Assessment Project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$13,000 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

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MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

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Ordered, that

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WHEREAS, the project meets high priority goals of the Sustainable Northampton Plan, Northampton Community Preservation Plan, and Open Space, Recreation and Multi-use Trail Plan by creating recreational opportunities for residents of all ages and enhancing quality of life;

WHEREAS, pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in America and the project has widespread community support,

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$13,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$13,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Pickleball Feasibility Assessment Project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$13,000 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

21.368 An Order to Appropriate \$82,900 in CPA Funds to Michelson Galleries for 132 Main Street Facade Project

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Michelson Galleries submitted a CPA application for critical exterior repairs to the 1913 Northampton National Bank Building at 132 Main Street;

WHEREAS, preservation of the building, which is listed in the State and National Registers of Historic Places is important to the public for the enjoyment and appreciation of its architectural, archaeological and historical heritage;

WHEREAS, all work will conform to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties;

WHEREAS, funds will be returned to the Community Preservation Act Revenue account if the building is sold within five years;

WHEREAS, CPA funds will be utilized exclusively for critical exterior repairs, and in no way contribute to the operating expenses of the Galleries;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$82,900 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$82,900 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Michelson Galleries for the 132 Main Street facade project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$82,900 is appropriated from the CPA Historic Preservation Reserve (account #2344930-359932).

Further, that the City of Northampton, acting by and through its Historical Commission, is authorized to acquire for historic preservation purposes in the public interest, a historic preservation restriction, as defined in MGL Chapter 184, Section 31 of the General Laws on the above described premises, and that City Council hereby approves such historic preservation restrictions.

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz, Planning & Sustainability, the Conservation Commission, and the Community Preservation Committee

21.369 An Order to Appropriate \$233,400 in CPA Funds to OPS and Conservation Commission for Priority Property Acquisitions

An Order

To approve purchase of 64 acres +/- in the Mineral Hills, Parsons Brook and Saw Mill Hills Greenways, and to appropriate Community Preservation Act funds for such purpose

WHEREAS, The *Open Space, Recreation, and Multi-Use Trail Plan: 2018-2025* recommends acquisition of land for recreation, conservation and open space needs, preserving character of rural areas, farms, forests and rivers, and provision of open space connections between public spaces;

WHEREAS, The City has an agreement or is negotiating to purchase three parcels: 46 acres in the Mineral Hills north of Chesterfield Road, 5.2 acres in the Parsons Brook Greenway south of Ryan Road, and 13 acres in the Saw Mill Hills Greenway north of Ryan Road that fulfill the Open Space Plan recommendations, meet unique open space and recreational needs and fill gaps in the City's open space network;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$233,400 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

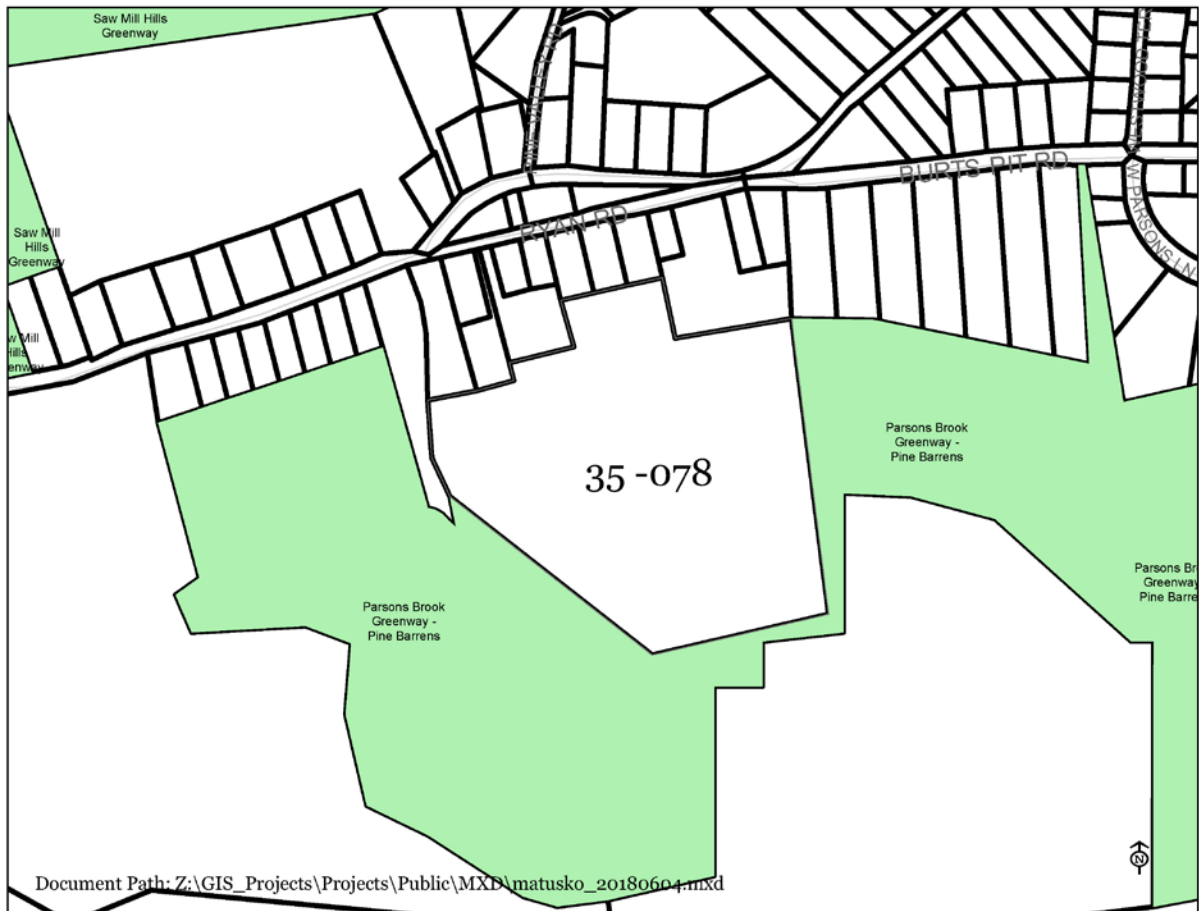
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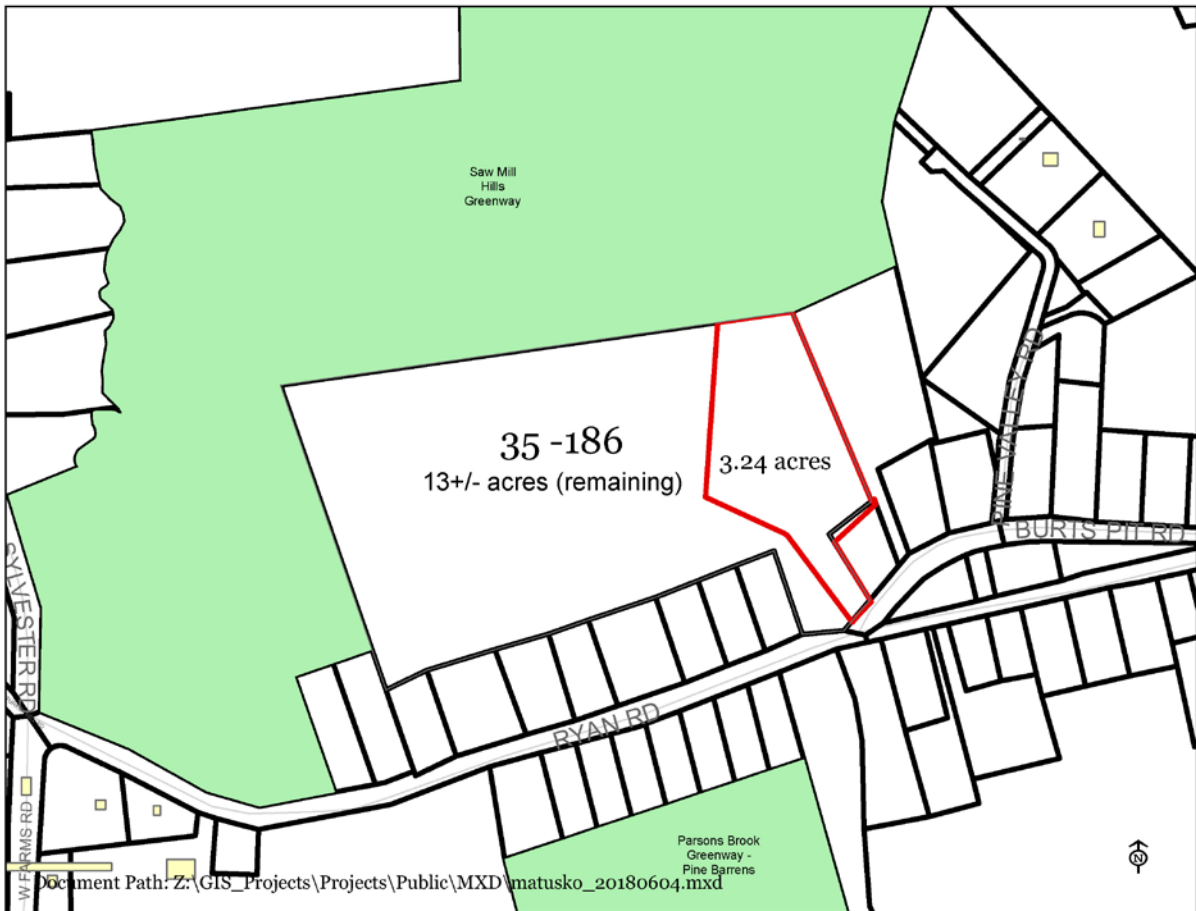
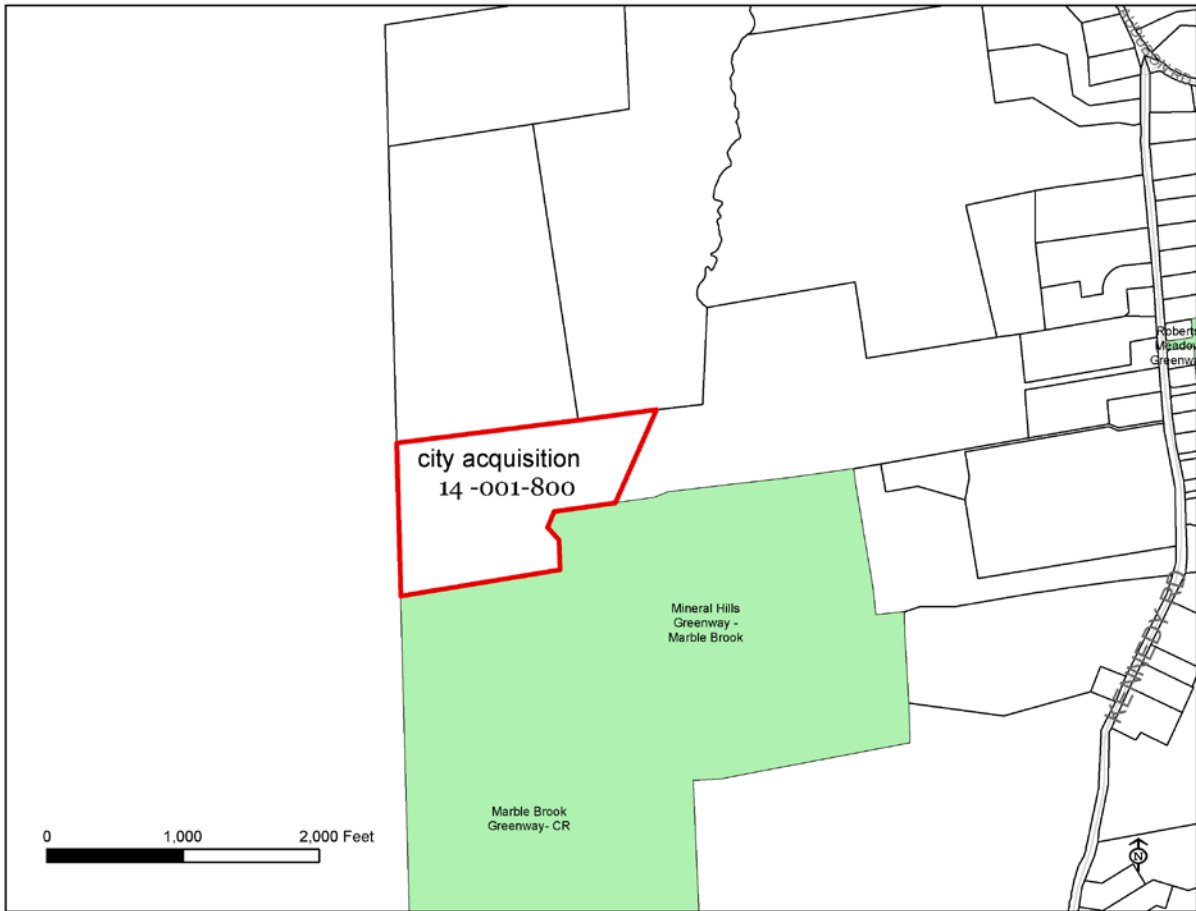
That the Conservation Commission is authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire for conservation and passive recreation purposes, as provided by MGL Chapter 40, §8C, any fee, easement or conservation restriction as defined in MGL Chapter 184, §31 or any other interest in the above land and any immediately adjoining land; that the City Council hereby accepts such conservation restrictions; that the Conservation Commission is authorized to grant conservation restrictions and related easements on any land so acquired. The property shall be held under the care, custody and control of the Conservation Commission, and the acquisitions are found to be in the public interest pursuant to Section 32 of Chapter 184 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

The Conservation Commission is authorized to contract for and expend any federal, state, or other aid available for this project;

That \$233,400 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Conservation Commission and Office of Planning and Sustainability for the Priority Acquisitions Project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$5,099 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930), and \$228,301 is appropriated from the CPA Open Space Reserve (account #2344930-359931).





**City of Northampton
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In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-One

Upon the recommendation of Councilor Rachel Maiore

21.371 An Ordinance Extending the Effective Date of Section 272-18 to July 1, 2022

An ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended to extend the date on which Section 272-18, Environmental Protection and Solid Waste Reduction, shall take effect.

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

The Code of Ordinances shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

In section 272-18, by deleting in subsection F the word “January” and replacing it with the word “July”.

City of Northampton

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In City Council, December 2, 2021

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz, the Office of Planning and Sustainability, and the Conservation Commission

**21.372 AN ORDER AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF A PARCEL OF LAND
ON THE NORTHERLY SIDE OF WESTHAMPTON ROAD**

WHEREAS, the parcel subject to this Order is located on the Northerly side of Westhampton Road and is shown on a plan of land shown as “NO ASSESSORS ID N/F HEIRS OF LUMAN E. BARTLETT AREA = “3.110 AC +/-” on a plan entitled “PLAN OF LAND IN NORTHAMPTON MA MINERAL HILLS GREENWAY HAMPSHIRE REGISTRY PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON,” dated January 13, 2020, and recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 249, Page 82 (“the Parcel”); and

WHEREAS, the Parcel is a landlocked parcel that is contiguous on both its east side and its west side with conservation and recreation land owned by the city and known as the Mineral Hills Greenway; and

WHEREAS, This property is owned by all of the heirs of Luman E. Bartlett, who died in 1925, and no heir is currently managing the property, paying taxes, or otherwise claiming the property; and

WHEREAS, This parcel is an inholding abutting conservation land on two sides and blocking the ability for conservation and public management between two disconnected units of the Mineral Hills Greenway.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

The City Council hereby authorizes the acquisition by purchase, gift, eminent domain, or otherwise of the Parcel believed to be owned by the Heirs of Luman E. Bartlett shown as “NO ASSESSORS ID N/F HEIRS OF LUMAN E. BARTLETT AREA = “3.110 AC +/-” on a plan entitled “PLAN OF LAND IN NORTHAMPTON MA MINERAL HILLS GREENWAY HAMPSHIRE REGISTRY PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON,” dated January 13, 2020, and recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 249, Page 82, to be held in the care and custody of the Northampton Conservation Commission for the purposes of conservation, recreation, and open space subject to the provisions of Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution.

As damages for the taking, the City Council hereby awards Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00).

Affected Premises:
Northerly side of Westhampton Road
Northampton, MA

ORDER OF TAKING

The undersigned, being the duly elected and sitting members of the City Council of the City of Northampton, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of General Laws of the Commonwealth, as from time to time amended, and more particularly Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 79, and pursuant to the Order of the Northampton City Council, a true copy of which is attached hereto, does hereby take the parcel referenced below, with any and all improvements thereon, in fee absolute for and on behalf of the Inhabitants of the City of Northampton. The parcel taken hereunder shall be in the custody and control of the Northampton Conservation Commission for the purposes of conservation, recreation, and open space subject to the provisions of Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution.

The parcel hereby taken is shown as “NO ASSESSORS ID N/F HEIRS OF LUMAN E. BARTLETT AREA = “3.110 AC +/-” on a plan entitled “PLAN OF LAND IN NORTHAMPTON MA MINERAL HILLS GREENWAY HAMPSHIRE REGISTRY PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON,” dated January 13, 2020, and recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 249, Page 82.

The property hereby taken is supposed to be owned by the Heirs of Luman E. Bartlett. See deeds recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Book 709, Page 457 and Book 711, Page 41.

In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 79, § 6, as amended, an award of Two Thousand Five Hundred (\$2,500.00) Dollars is made by the City of Northampton for damages sustained by the owner or owners and all other persons, including all mortgagees of record, having any and all interest in the Property and entitled to any damages by reason of the taking. The City of Northampton reserves the right to amend the award at any time prior to payment for good cause shown.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We, the City Council of the City of Northampton, have executed this Order of Taking this ____ day of _____, 2021.

WITNESS TO ALL:

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF NORTHAMPTON, MA

Gina-Louise Sciarra
AT-LARGE COUNCILOR

William H. Dwight
AT-LARGE COUNCILOR

Michael Quinlan, Jr.
WARD 1 COUNCILOR

Karen Foster
WARD 2 COUNCILOR

James Nash
WARD 3 COUNCILOR

John Thorpe
WARD 4 COUNCILOR

Alex Jarrett
WARD 5 COUNCILOR

Marianne L. LaBarge
WARD 6 COUNCILOR

Rachel Maiore
WARD 7 COUNCILOR

CERTIFICATE OF THE CLERK
CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF NORTHAMPTON, MA

I, Laura Krutzler, the Clerk of the City Council of the City of Northampton, MA, hereby certify that the attached Order of Taking of a certain parcel of land located in Northampton, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, was executed on _____, 2021, by Gina-Louise Sciarra, William H. Dwight, Michael Quinlan, Jr., Karen Foster, James Nash, John Thorpe, Alex Jarrett, Marianne L. LaBarge, and Rachel Maoire, who as of that day, were and are the duly elected members of the City Council of the City of Northampton, MA.

Signed this ____ day of _____, 2021.

Laura Krutzler
Clerk to City Council
City of Northampton, Massachusetts

City of Northampton

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In City Council

December 2, 2021

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

21.373 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash and Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to Various
Capital Projects

Ordered, that

\$ 100,000 be appropriated from the FY22 Solid Waste Enterprise Retained Earnings to the landfill closure account (3200640 533030) to fund ongoing expenses which include the gas flare and piping system, erosion control measures and regulatory compliance considerations. _.

\$ 175,000 be appropriated from the FY22 Storm Water Enterprise Retained Earnings to the drain replacement account (3200620-589022) in order to fund ongoing efforts related to controlling roadway flooding.

\$ 965,000 be appropriated from the FY22 Water Enterprise Retained Earnings to the waterline replacement account (3200610 589174) to fund DEP mandated repairs to the clearwell at the water treatment plant.

\$ 815,000 be appropriated from the FY22 Sewer Enterprise Retained Earnings to the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) improvements account (3200600 583003) to fund the design for phase II of WWTP upgrades.

\$ 70,000 be appropriated from the FY22 General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Highway Gasoline/Diesel account (14222 548001) to cover the increased cost of fuel.

City of Northampton

Massachusetts

In City Council

December 2, 2021

Upon recommendation of Mayor Narkewicz & Mayor-Elect Sciarra

21.374 An Order to Accept \$21.7 Million in American Rescue Plan Act Funds

Whereas, on March 11, 2021 President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 which will provide \$350 billion in emergency funding to state, local, territorial, and tribal governments around the country to respond to and recover from the COVID – 19 crisis;

Whereas, municipalities and functional counties in the Commonwealth will receive a total of \$3.4 billion of federal aid;

Whereas, the City of Northampton will receive \$21,747,984 of these relief funds over the course of the next two years;

Whereas, the funds must be committed by December 31, 2024 and fully expended by December 31, 2026;

Whereas, there are four eligible categories authorized by the Act which include responding to the public health emergency, providing essential worker premium pay, recovering revenue loss, and investments in water, sewer and broadband;

Whereas, the American Rescue Plan will provide a substantial infusion of resources allowing the City the opportunity to address the impacts of the pandemic;

Now Therefore Be it Ordered, that

The City Council accepts the Federal American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funds to the City of Northampton in the amount of twenty one million seven hundred forty seven thousand nine hundred eighty four and 00/100 dollars (\$21,747,984). Said funds will be expended in accordance with the Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CSLRF) authorized

purposes, including recovering municipal revenue loss, and are accepted in accordance with M.G.L Chapter 44, Section 53A.

Proposed amendments to 21.370 AN ORDER TO AMEND THE COUNCIL RULES:

DRAFT Amendments by Councilors Maiore and Jarrett are in orange.

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2.6.1.1. COMMITTEE on FINANCE

2.6.1.1.1. Process. Financial orders will be introduced and discussed at a full City Council meeting and referred to either the consent agenda of a future meeting, or the Finance Committee for more granular discussion and recommendation. The Finance Committee will then convene separately outside of the full council meeting and before the next meeting.

~~2.6.1.1.1.~~2.6.1.1.2. Jurisdiction. Financial matters. The Committee shall review all orders authorizing a loan, supplemental appropriation, or financial transfer submitted by the Mayor in accordance with such authority by either the Massachusetts General Laws, the Charter of the City of Northampton, or the Code of Ordinances of the City of Northampton and make recommendations on ~~the matter referrals~~ to the City Council.

~~2.6.1.1.2.~~2.6.1.1.3. In addition to the outside audit provided by Section 7-6 of the Charter, the Committee may request access to all books, vouchers, notes, securities, and bonds in the possession of the Treasurer-Collector, City Auditor or any board or executive commission and make a report thereof to the City Council.

~~2.6.1.1.3.~~2.6.1.1.4. The Committee shall review all proposals to sell or lease any City-owned land or building not put to public use that are submitted to the City Council for approval and all proposals to purchase or lease real property that are submitted to the City Council for approval. The Committee shall make recommendations to the City Council on the matter. All instruments of conveyance and leases approved by the City Council shall be executed by the Mayor on behalf of the City unless otherwise provided by Massachusetts General Laws.

~~2.6.1.1.4.~~2.6.1.1.5. The Committee shall consist of four Councilors.

~~2.6.1.1.5.~~2.6.1.1.6. The Committee may hold public hearings on water, sewer, Stormwater and other municipal utility rates.

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4.5.1. The order of business at every regular meeting of the Council shall be as follows unless otherwise decided by the Presiding Officer:

Roll Call

Public Hearings

Public Comment

~~Roll Call~~Announcements from Councilors and the Mayor

~~Public Hearings~~

~~Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors~~

~~Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor~~

~~Resolutions~~

Presentations

Consent Agenda

- Approval of minutes
- Licenses and Petitions
- Appointments
- Financial Orders (As Referred)

~~Recess for Committee on Finance~~

Financial Orders

Orders

Ordinances (Not Yet Referred)

Ordinances

Resolutions

~~Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs~~

Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Committee Study Requests

New Business

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5.2.2. Financial orders. No order or resolution authorizing a loan, the levying of a tax or the expenditure of money (with the exception of the printing of the annual reports) shall be voted on by the City Council until it has been considered by the Committee on Finance, unless the Council determines that such consideration is not necessary, as provided in 2.6.1.1.1. It shall be the duty of such committee to report on the relation of such order, resolution, levy or expenditures to the finances of the City, but new provisions shall not be added to such resolution, order, levy or expenditure by the Committee unless directly connected with the financial features thereof, and then by recommendation only.

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5.5. MATTERS REQUIRING TWO ~~VOTES~~READINGS. ~~To be approved, every matter shall have two separate votes on two separate days unless otherwise provided in these Rules. Before a vote on a matter may be held, it must first have been introduced at a prior City Council meeting, unless otherwise provided in these Rules. Introduction shall include a description of purpose and effects. Council discussion is allowed for questions and clarification, and full discussion by the Council is allowed.~~

5.6. MATTERS REQUIRING ONE ~~VOTE~~READING. The following shall require

only one vote reading of the Council:

~~5.6.1. Administrative orders submitted by the Mayor for either approval or disapproval~~

~~5.6.2.~~5.6.1. Licenses

~~5.6.3.~~5.6.2. Approval of minutes

~~5.6.4.~~5.6.3. Acceptances of reports

~~5.6.5.~~5.6.4. Petitions, and orders to grant petitions

~~5.6.6.~~5.6.5. Appointments, and

~~5.6.7.~~5.6.6. Orders to adopt or amend the Council Rules.