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March 28, 2022

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
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Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council requesting the authorization to establish a departmental revolving account within the Department of Public Works Engineering Division per MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E¹/₂ to allow for National Grid payments to City-owned road repairs. The account would have an annual spending limit of \$500,000.

National Grid will be making payments to the City of Newton for roadways where they have replaced the gas main. Currently, National Grid's contractor paves the area of the roadway where a gas main was replaced, which amounts to half of the width of the roadway. Instead of restoring this portion of the roadway, National Grid has agreed to provide payment to the city for this restoration in lieu of paving.

The creation of a revolving fund will allow the Department of Public Works the ability to schedule the restoration of the entire roadway using our paving priority list based on the Pavement Condition Index (PCI).

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruthanne Fuller".

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

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Ruthanne Fuller
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To: Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer
Jonathan Yeo, Chief Operating Officer

From: James McGonagle, Commissioner of Public Works

Subject: Request to Establish a Revolving Account - Engineering

Date: March 28, 2022

I respectfully request that the Mayor docket the following request to establish a departmental revolving account within the Department of Public Works Engineering Division per MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E¹/₂. The Department would like to request an annual spending limit of \$500,000.

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James McGonagle
Commissioner

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