

Finance Committee Agenda

City of Newton In City Council



Monday, January 22, 2018



7 PM Room 211

Items scheduled for discussion:

Chair's note: The Committee will meet jointly with the Zoning & Planning Committee to discuss Docket Items #86-18 and #85-18

Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees

#86-18 Add a full-time position in the Planning Department <u>HER HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization of the addition of one full-time employee position in the Planning & Development Department to create a Director of Transportation Planning position.

Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees

#85-18 Appropriate funds to develop an action plan for Washington Street Corridor <u>HER HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to appropriate and expend five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of developing an actionable plan for the Washington Street Corridor that addresses land use, economic development, transportation, fiscal impacts, and other issues that may arise, as well as a new zoning district(s).

#58-18 CPA funding request for \$60,000 to repair a fence at Newton Cemetery

<u>COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE</u> recommending the appropriation of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) from the Community Preservation Fund's historic resources budget reserve and fund balance to the Planning & Development Department for a grant to the Newton Cemetery to restore and rehabilitate the Whipple-Beal cast iron fence, as described in the proposal submitted to the Community Preservation Committee in September 2017.

#84-18Authorization to settle a claim for \$10,000HER HONOR THE MAYORrequesting authorization to settle a claim of ten thousand
dollars (\$10,000) funded through the School Department budget as full and final
settlement of a claim against the Newton Public Schools and the City of Newton.
Note: A motion for Executive Session may be entertained

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#83-18 Transfer of \$30,000 to purchase a new van for the IT Department

<u>HER HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to transfer the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from the Information Technology Full-time Salaries Account to the Information Technology Automobiles/Light Trucks Account to enable the Information Technology Department to purchase a new van.

#82-18 Acceptance of a grant from the MASS DEP for sustainable materials recovery

<u>HER HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to accept and expend the Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Municipal Grant of seven thousand dollars awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to be used to establish a new municipal swap-shop for household goods.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#87-18 Appropriate \$120,000 for design engineering services for West Newton Square <u>HER HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of funding additional final design engineering services for the West Newton Square rehabilitation project.

Public Facilities Approved 6-0 (Gentile, Lappin abstaining)

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

All other items before the Committee will be held without discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard J. Gentile, Chair



Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

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#86-18

January 11, 2018

Honorable City Council Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459

David A. Oisen, CM Newton, MA 02459 Newton City C

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to authorize the increase of 1 FTE (Full Time Equivalent) in the Planning and Development Department. In order to fully address the city's many complex transportation initiatives the position of DPW Transportation Director will be divided into two positions – planning and operations.

The Director of Transportation Planning will focus on advancing implementation of the City's transportation priorities including: Complete Streets Review, Street Design Guide, Bicycle Facilities (including bike lanes and bike share), Public Transit Improvement, Smart Parking Management and various Transportation Demand Management initiatives and will be housed in the Planning Department. The Director of Transportation Operations will remain in the Department of Public Works and will oversee the operational aspects of the Transportation Division including Traffic Signalization, Street Lights, Line Painting, and Village Enhancement Projects.

Due to a vacancy in the first half of the fiscal year in the Planning Department, no additional funding is needed in the FY18 budget. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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Ruthanne Fuller Mayor



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David A. Olson,

Newton, MA 0245

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PM 3:

Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

January 11, 2018

Honorable City Council Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$500,000 of June 30, 2017 Certified Free Cash for the purpose of developing a plan for the Washington Street corridor.

This funding will enable the City to develop an actionable plan addressing land use, economic development, transportation, fiscal impacts and other issues as may arise as well as a new zoning district(s) that will be delivered to the City Council for consideration and adoption.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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> Barney S. Heath Director

Community Preservation Committee Funding Recommendation for Newton Cemetery – Whipple-Beal Cast Iron Fence

- date: 4 December 2017
- from: Community Preservation Committee
 - to: The Honorable City Council

PROJECT GOALS & ELIGIBILITY

This project will restore and rehabilitate Newton Cemetery's last remaining decorative cast iron fence (detail at right), which surrounds the cemetery's first burial (1856), in the Whipple-Beal family lot. The project's CPA eligibility was established by the Newton Historical Commission's unanimous 28 September 2017 vote finding the fence significant in the history and culture of Newton.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING

On 16 November 2017 by a vote of 5-1 (members Beryl Gilfix and Susan Lunin absent, Jim Robertson opposed, Parks & Recreation appointment vacant) the Community Preservation Committee recommended appropriating the requested \$60,000 for this project from the Community Preservation Fund's current reserve and fund balance for historic resources, to the Planning & Development Department for a grant to Newton Cemetery for any CPA-eligible purpose stated or implied in this summary budget :

Newton Cemetery Whipple-Beal Fence Restoration

| Uses | |
|---|----------|
| 3D Laser Scan (Feldman Land Surveyors, est. value), Newton Cemetery staff time & materials * | \$9,500 |
| Soft Costs: Design & Specifications (consultant estimate) | \$5,000 |
| Hard Costs: Restoration (including 10% contingency) | \$55,000 |
| Interpretive Signage (not CPA-eligible) | \$5,000 |
| Total: | \$74,500 |
| Sources | |
| CPA funds | \$60,000 |
| Donated services & materials (see * above) | \$9,500 |
| Friends of Newton Cemetery (Note: Mr. Eliot Beal has committed a donation of 10% of total costs, or \$7,450. The Friends will put the difference between this and the amount at right toward future maintenance.) | \$5,000 |
| Total: | \$74,500 |

website www.newtonma.gov/cpa

contact Alice E. Ingerson, Community Preservation Program Manager *email* <u>aingerson@newtonma.gov</u> phone 617.796.1144



#58-18

SPECIAL ISSUES CONSIDERED BY THE CPC

Public benefits & funding leverage Newton Cemetery, founded in 1855, is open to the public at no charge every day from dawn to dusk, on the same schedule as Newton's public parks. The cemetery is Newton's only accredited arboretum and sponsors or hosts numerous free walking tours, often in collaboration with Historic Newton, the Newton Conservators and the Newton Senior Center. The Whipple-Beal fence and lot are often featured on history walks. Mr. Eliot Beal has committed to cover 10 percent of the cost to restore the decorative cast iron fence around his family's lot and, in collaboration with the cemetery, to grant the City of Newton a permanent historic preservation restriction on the restored fence.

Future potential CPA requests Private owners are responsible for the maintenance of their own lots and monuments in Newton Cemetery. Not surprisingly, however, the cemetery itself must occasionally assume responsibility for private monuments that are many decades old, as families disperse or their circumstances change. The cemetery was unable to provide the rough cost estimate and funding plan requested by the CPC for the cumulative scope of these potential future responsibilities. CPC member Jim Robertson saw the current project as worthwhile but opposed the current request because he felt it set a precedent for an unknown total of future requests for primarily CPA funding of other private projects within the cemetery.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS (funding conditions)

- 1. The CPC assumes all recommended funds will be appropriated within 6 months, and the project will be completed within 24 months, after the date of this recommendation. If either deadline cannot be met, Newton Cemetery should request an extension in writing from the CPC.
- 2. The phased release of CPA funds will be governed by a detailed grant agreement that includes but is not limited to these provisions: initial release of CPA funds contingent on final commitment of all non-CPA funding listed in the submitted proposal; procurement of services through the City of Newton Purchasing Dept; compliance throughout the project with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the restoration, rehabilitation and reconstruction of historic properties; and release of the final 10 percent of CPA funding contingent on recording a permanent preservation restriction for the Whipple-Beal Fence, to be held by the Newton Historical Commission, as well as presentation of a final report to the CPC.
- **3.** Any CPA funds appropriated but not used for the purposes stated herein will be returned to the Newton Community Preservation Fund.

KEY OUTCOMES

The Community Preservation Committee will evaluate this project based on how well it meets the conditions numbered 1 and 2 above.

ATTACHMENTS

(delivered to the clerks of the Programs & Services Committee and Finance Committee)

- Proposal submitted to the CPC (selected sections; full submission available on webpage below)
- Slide presentation to the CPC on 16 November 2017
- Copy of the CPC's project webpage, with links to additional information:

www.newtonma.gov/gov/planning/cpa/projects/newton_cemetery.asp#Whipple-Beal

Please note that, other than letters of support solicited by the proposal sponsor, the only written comments received on this proposal were from the League of Women Voters, which supported the request. Those comments are included on the webpage above but are not included with this recommendation.

Newton, Massachusetts CPA program project webpage - bold, green text links to full-text documents

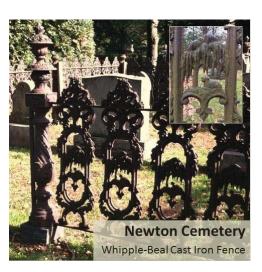
Newton Cemetery

contacts:

 Mary Ann Buras, President Newton Cemetery Corporation 791 Walnut Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459 email: mab@newcemcorp.org phone: 617.332.0047 website: www.newcemcorp.org

Whipple-Beal Cast Iron Fence

Newton Cemetery Section K, Lot 154, Main Avenue



goals:

Restore and as necessary reconstruct the decorative cast iron fence around the Whipple-Beal family lot in the private Newton Cemetery, which was established in 1855. This lot includes the cemetery's first burial, Jessie Annie Whipple, who died at the age of 3 months and was buried in October 1856, as well as the burials of her brothers Orrin (died at 2 months, 1857) and Willie (died at 12 hours, 1861). Similar fences were very popular during the Victorian era, but this is the last remaining decorative fence of any kind in Newton Cemetery.

funding:

| \$60,000 | CPA (historic resources) |
|----------|---|
| \$9,500 | value of staff time and materials to be contributed by Newton Cemetery, plus other donated services (3-D laser scan) |
| \$5,000 | fundraising by Friends of Newton Cemetery, for interpretive signage |
| | Note: A Beal descendent has committed to donating 10% of total project costs. The Friends will commit the difference between this donation and the amount at left toward future maintenance of the fence. |

\$74,500 TOTAL PROJECT COST

Funding Process

2017

2 May 2017 - pre-proposal, including maps, photos and analysis of historic significance

29 September-15 November 2017 - full proposal, posted as two files:

- proposal with budgets & letters of support (including project summary/proposal form, project budgets & funding sources, sponsor finances & qualifications; letters updated 15 November 2017)
- site & history (including photos, maps, historic significance, site ownership, backup for project scope & costs, plan for historic preservation restriction); minor updates 25 October 2017

15 November 2017 - community letters received about this proposal to date

16 November 2017 - presentation to the CPC (includes photos)

4 December 2017 - CPC funding recommendation

Project News

2017

- May 2017 page about the Whipple-Beal fence on Newton Cemetery website: www.newcemcorp.org/plan/whipple-beal-fence
- May 2017 3-dimensional scan of the Whipple-Beal fence (*.mp4 movie file)

Whipple-Beal Fence Restoration





Newton Cemetery

presentation to Newton Community Preservation Committee Public Hearing, 16 November 2017

About Newton Cemetery

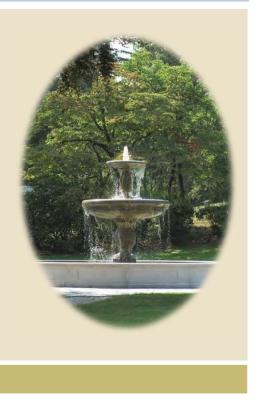


- Founded in 1855 during the rural garden cemetery movement that began with Mount Auburn Cemetery
- A private, nonprofit, non-sectarian cemetery
- Still active with interment options, space for Newton Veterans, cremation services, and nondenominational chapel



About Newton Cemetery

- 100 acres next to the Library
- Open to the public every day free of charge
- Accredited arboretum
- City's #1 attraction on TripAdvisor
- Eligible for National Register of Historic Places





About Newton Cemetery

- Friends of Newton Cemetery sponsors tree tours, bird walks
 and Historic Newton history walks
 - Over 1,000 participants in the last three years
 - Whipple Beal lot and fence featured on tours





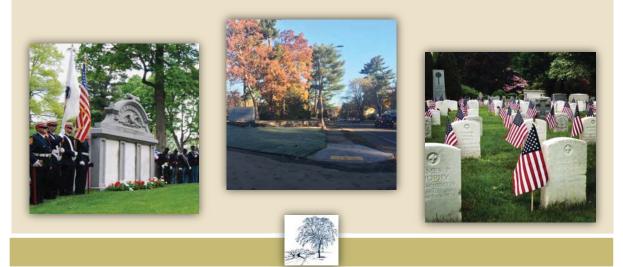




About Newton Cemetery

Newton Cemetery's "partnership" with the City includes:

- Care and maintenance Cemetery discounts
- Free private tours Horticultural donations



The Whipple Beal Lot

- Lot purchased by • **Orrin Whipple**
- Deed signed by Cemetery's 1st President, Dr. Henry **Bigelow**
- Bigelow School
- 1st Superintendent • of Schools

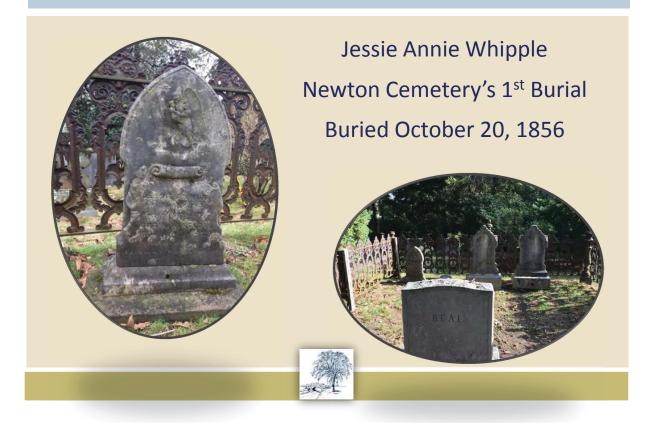


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The Whipple Beal Lot



The Whipple Beal Fence

- Newton's only remaining burial lot decorative fence
- Significant feature of landscape commemoration history





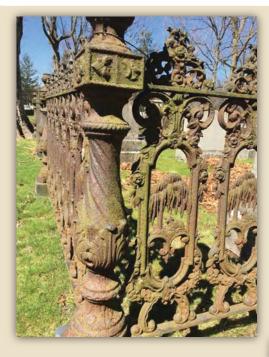
The Whipple Beal Fence



- Common in Victorian-era garden cemeteries
- Protected monuments from grazing animals
- Created "outdoor rooms" for families to gather



The Whipple Beal Fence

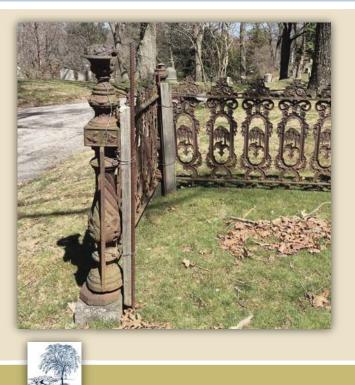


- Ten sections with fluted posts, rails and medallions
- Medallions show lambs resting under weeping willow trees, a traditional theme of the era
- Willow represents sorrow and mourning
- Lamb represents innocence and virtue



Fence Existing Condition

- Fence held up with 2x4's
- Posts attached to 2x4's with wire
- Fence is not plumb
 - Several posts severely twisted



Fence Existing Condition

Most of the paint is gone and there is biological growth.



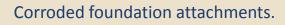
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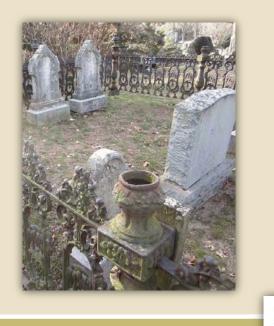




Fence Existing Condition

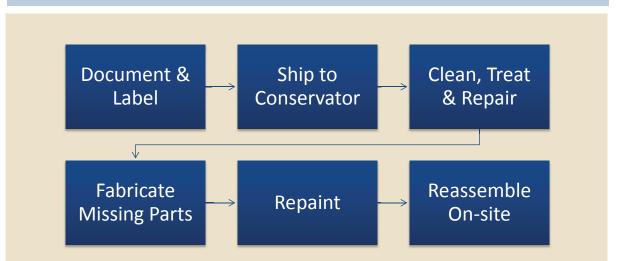
Numerous pieces are missing.







Fence Restoration Plan



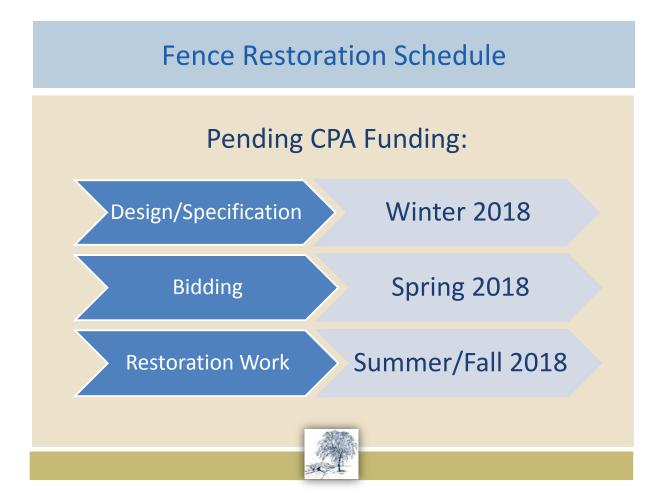
All work in accordance with the American Institute for Conservation of Artistic and Historic Works Standards of Practice



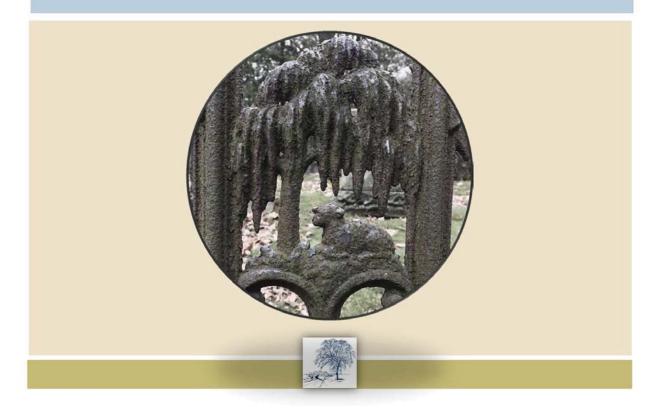
Fence Restoration Budget

| Item of Work | Funding Source | Amount |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Design & Specifications | СРА | \$5,000 |
| Fence Restoration | СРА | \$55,000 |
| 3D Laser Scan | FONC | \$2,000 |
| Newton Cemetery Staff Time | NCC | \$7,500 |
| Interpretive Signage at Fence | FONC | \$5,000 |
| | TOTAL | \$74,500 |





Whipple-Beal Fence Restoration





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| Project TITLE | Whipple/Beal Fence Restoration | | | | |
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| Project | Newton Cemetery, Section K-154 | 4 | | | |
| LOCATION | 791 Walnut Street, Newton Cent | ter, MA 02459 | | | |
| Project CONTACTS | Name & title or organization Email Phone Mailing address | | | | |
| Project Manager | Mary Ann Buras President, Newton Cemetery | mab@newcemcorp.org | (617) 332-0 | 0047 x21 | 791 Walnut Street, Newton Center, MA 02459 |
| Other Contacts | Eliot Beal Gr.Gr.Grandson of Original Cemetery Lot Owner | eliotbeal@aol.com | (617) 633-1 | 1541 | 255 Clapp Road Scituate, MA 02066 |
| Project | A. CPA funds requested: | B. Other funds to | be used: | С. Т | otal project cost (A+B): |
| FUNDING | \$60,000 | \$14,500 | | | \$74,500 |
| Project SUMMARY | Explain how the project will use PROJECT SUMMARY MUST FIT IN sponsoring organization's accom | N THE SPACE BELOW. Use a c | | | · · · |

The project will use the funds to restore the historic Whipple/Beal fence at Newton Cemetery, a cast iron fence currently in a state of deterioration. The Whipple Beal lot is one of the most historically important lots in the cemetery. The lot is not only the site of the first interment (in 1856), but it is surrounded by the *last* remaining piece of decorative iron fencing in Newton Cemetery.

The fence is approximately 20'x15' and comprised of 10 sections that are made of fluted posts, rails and decorative medallions that depict a traditional cemetery theme of the era. Each post sits on a granite base. The majority of the original paint has deteriorated significantly and the fence is dirty with visible biological growth. The iron is extremely corroded and rust covers at least 90% of the surface, which is still actively corroding. The fence and posts are no longer plumb and do not sit appropriately on the granite bases that form the foundation. The fence is currently being stabilized with wooden 2x4's set into the ground.

The CPA funds would be used to hire the consultant required for assembling the project specifications outlining the scope of work (also necessary for the bid process) and the conservators who would be awarded the contract to perform the fence restoration. The Friends of Newton Cemetery received the contribution of the 3D Laser Scan (to within ¼" accuracy), which clearly documents the details of the fence in its existing condition. Newton Cemetery would provide the personnel required for the oversight and management of the project as well as the skilled staff required to perform the re-work and stabilization of the granite bases that serve as the fence foundation. The Friends of Newton Cemetery signage so the visiting public could learn about the historic significance of the fence and the restoration process.

| Project TITLE | Whipple/I | Beal Fence Restoration | | |
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| USE of CPA | FUNDS | | STORIC | |
| | | RES | OURCES | |
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| THAT APPLY. | rehabilitate/ restore | | Х | |
| COMMUNITY NEEDS | brief quote wit | t least 2 plans linked to the <u>Guidelines & For</u> h plan title, year, and page number, showing eds. You may also list other community bene | g how this project r | neets previously recognized |
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| | | andscape Preservation on Solid Ground, | <u>©2011: (Attach</u> | ment #2, <mark>highlighted text</mark>) |
| historic lar o p14: "Prot | ndscapes, with n ecting Iron Fenc | luable public open spaces, scenic locales nany vested in their preservation. ses: Iron fences are an important contrib t their care is often overlooked during c | uting feature to t emetery restorat | he historic character and ion" |
| | | Attachments in support of this section are posted | d with site history & pr | notos on the Newton CPC website. |
| COMMUNITY CONTACTS | manager's qualif | wton residents or organizations willing and a fications. No more than 1 should be a superv or sponsor. Consult staff on the community | isor, employee or | current work colleague of the |
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#58-18

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| Project TITLE | Whipple/Beal Fence Restoration | | | |
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| | SUMMARY CAPITAL/DEVELOPM | ENT BUDGET | | |
| | Uses of Funds | | | |
| Design & Specifica | tions (Consultant) | | | \$5 <i>,</i> 000 |
| 3D Laser Scan | | | | \$2,000 |
| Administrative an | d Project Management (Newton Cemetery staff time |) | | \$7,500 |
| Fence Restoration | (Contractor Bids) | | | \$55,000 |
| Interpretive Signa | ge at Whipple Beal Lot | | | \$5 <i>,</i> 000 |
| | D. TOTAL USES (should | d equal C. on page 1 and I | E. below) | \$74,500 |
| | Sources of Funds | Status (requested, expected, cor | nfirmed) | |
| CPA funding | | Requested | | \$60,000 |
| Newton Cemetery | In-Kind funding for Supervision & Management | Committed | | \$7,500 |
| Friends of Newtor | Cemetery In-Kind Contributions & Fundraising | In planning | | \$7,000 |
| | | | | |
| | E. TOTAL SOURCES (should o | equal C. on page 1 and D. | above) | \$74,500 |
| | SUMMARY ANNUAL OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE | BUDGET (cannot use CPA | A funds) | |
| | Uses of Funds (see ATTACHMENT B-1: Maintenance | Plan & Budget for Whipple | e Beal Fence) | |
| Yearly inspection, | touch-up paint if necessary, wash every 2 years (ann | ual estimate) | | \$250.00 |
| Lightly sand and r | e-paint the surface in 20 +/- years: \$5,000 (estimate) | | | \$250.00 |
| Completely strip a | nd re-paint in 30-35 years: \$15,000 (estimate) | | | \$500.00 |
| | | | | |
| | F. TOTAL ANNU | AL COST (should equal G. | below) | \$1,000.00 |
| | Sources of Funds | | | |
| Newton Cemetery | operating budget & Friends of Newton Cemetery fu | undraising | | \$1,000.00 |
| | | | | |
| | G. TOTAL ANNUAL F | UNDING (should equal F. | above) | \$1,000.00 |
| Project TIMEL | INE Phase or Task | | Season | & Year |
| Full proposal to Cl | PC | Fa | all 2017 | |
| Friends Fundraisir | g | Sp | oring 2017-S | pring 2018 |
| Design | | w | /inter 2017/ | 18 |
| Bidding | | W | /inter – Sprir | ng 2018 |
| Restoration Work | | Su | ummer – Fal | l 2018 |
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ATTACHMENT B-1

CAPITAL BUDGET - WHIPPLE/BEAL FENCE RESTORATION (Suplement to "SUMMARY CAPITAL/DEVELOPMENT BUDGET")

| | Funding | Lland Cast | Coff Cost | Tatal |
|--|---------------|------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Item of Work | Source CPA | Hard Cost | Soft Cost | Total \$5,000 |
| Design & Specifications | CPA | | *- - - - - - - - - - | \$3,000 |
| Consultant estimate | | | \$5,000 | |
| Fence Restoration | CPA | | | \$55,000 |
| Consultant estimate | | \$50,000 | | |
| Contingency-10% | | \$5,000 | | |
| 3D Laser Scan | FONC | | | \$2,000 |
| Feldman Land Surveyors, In-kind donation to FONC (estimated value) | | | \$2,000 | |
| Newton Cemetery Staff Time | NCC | | | \$7,500 |
| Project Management (65hrs @ \$100/hr) | | | \$6,500 | |
| Labor: Reset granite footings (24hours @ \$35/hr) | | | \$840 | |
| Material: Reset granite footings (estimate) | | | \$160 | |
| Interpretive Signage at Whipple Beal Lot | | | | \$5,000 |
| Allowance | | \$5,000 | | |
| TOTAL: | | \$60,000 | \$14,500 | \$74,500 |

CPA = Community Preservation Act

FONC = Friends of Newton Cemtery

NCC = Newton Cemetery

ATTACHMENT B-1

Maintenance Plan & Budget for Whipple Beal Fence

(Supplement to "SUMMARY ANNUAL OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE BUDGET")

The long-term maintenance plan and budget for the Whipple Beal Fence includes the following:

- An annual visual inspection of the fence. Estimate: 1 hour of Newton Cemetery staff time per year
- Touch-up paint if necessary, as determined by annual visual inspection. Estimate: 3 hours of Newton Cemetery staff time per year
- Wash the fence every two years. Estimate: 2 hours of Newton Cemetery staff time per year

The above items will be completed by Newton Cemetery's monument staff. The annual figure of \$250 is for the six hours of estimated staff time and minimal material costs. It is an average over ten years that includes annual increases of 3%. There is no need to hire additional employees to perform this work as it can all be done with the staff currently included with the annual cemetery operations budget.

- Lightly sand and re-paint the surface of the fence approximately twenty years after renovation.
 Estimate: \$5,000
- Completely strip and re-paint the fence approximately 30-35 years after renovation. Estimate: \$15,000

The proposed scope and estimates for the two items above were received from a qualified conservator capable of performing the work. This work would not be completed by Newton Cemetery. The figures of \$250 and \$500 included in the proposal are what the Friends of Newton Cemetery anticipates needing to set aside annually to have an appropriate amount of funds available when the time comes for the work to be done.

Non CPA Funding Funds Committed

| Item | Source | Туре | Estimated Value | Committed? | Funding Status |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------|
| 1. 3D Laser Scan | Feldman Land Surveyors | In-Kind | \$2,000 | Yes | Complete |
| 2. Administrative & Project Management | Newton Cemetery | In-Kind | \$7,500 | Yes | Ongoing |
| 3. Interpretive Signage | Friends of Newton Cemetery | Cash Donation | \$5,000 | Yes | Complete |

- 1. The Friends of Newton Cemetery received the contribution of the 3D Laser Scan from Feldman Land Surveyors. The scan is valuable for the project and cemetery records as it documents the details of the fence in its existing condition to within ¼" accuracy. The scan is available to view on the Newton Cemetery website: https://www.newcemcorp.org/plan/whipple-beal-fence
- 2. Newton Cemetery will provide the personnel required for the oversight and management of the project as well as the skilled staff required to perform the re-work and stabilization of the granite bases that serve as the fence foundation.
- 3. The Friends of Newton Cemetery has secured the additional funds needed to implement and complete the project should Newton Cemetery be awarded the CPA grant. Through fundraising efforts directed at individuals and corporations interested in the mission of the Friends of Newton Cemetery, including preservation, the organization has raised \$14,000 in 2017. A portion of this amount is dedicated to the Whipple/Beal Fence Restoration project. In addition, Mr. Eliot Beal has made a commitment to the Friends of Newton Cemetery for 10% of the project cost.



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January 8, 2018

Honorable City Council Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459 Ladies and Gentlemen: I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request the section of \$10,000 to be paid from the Newton Public Schools EV201 settlement of a claim for the amount of \$10,000 to be paid from the Newton Public Schools FY2018 Budget as full and final settlement of a claim against the Newton Public Schools and the City of Newton.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthman Fuller

Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

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November 13, 2017

Mayor Setti D. Warren City of Newton 1000 Commonwealth Avenue . Newton Centre, MA 02459

Re: Student Litigation Claim

Dear Honorable Mayor Warren:

The claim in the above-referenced matter stems from an incident on October 6, 2016 on a school bus between an assistant coach and a student athlete. The student suffered minor injuries with related medical bills. The police were called to the scene. The student went to the hospital that evening.

On October 10, 2016, the minor child made a claim for bodily injuries pursuant to M.G.L. c. 258 § 4 and emotional distress seeking \$100,000 in damages.

The parties have been exploring settlement and have arrived at a negotiated compromise of \$10,000 which we believe is reasonable.

Therefore, I respectfully request that you docket this item requesting authorization to settle this claim for \$10,000 from the School Department budget as full and final settlement of this claim against Newton Public Schools and the City of Newton.

Sincerely Angela Buchanan Smagula

cc: Superintendent David Fleishman Heather Richards, Director of Human Resources, NPS Ruth Goldman, Chair, Newton School Committee

CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS CITY HALL 1000 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE NEWTON CENTRE, MA 02459 TELEPHONE (617) 796-1240 FACSIMILE (617) 796-1254



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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to authorize the transfer of \$30,000 from Acct # 0111101-511001 Information Technology Full Time Salaries to Acct # 0111101-58501 I.T. Automobiles/Light Trucks to enable the Information Technology Department to purchase a new van. The current van is no longer road worthy.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthane Fuller

Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

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Ruthanne Fuller, Mayor Joseph P. Mulvey Chief Information Officer

CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Telephone (617) 796-1180 Facsimile (617) 796-1196 TDD/tty # (617) 796-1089

Date: January 8, 2018To: Maureen Lemieux, CFOFrom: Joseph MulveyRe: Information Technology Department Van

Good Afternoon, Maureen,

In July of this past summer our department vehicle, an older Econoline Tradesman's van was deemed unsafe for transport.

Our department has depended upon the kindness and cooperation of other departments in lending us spare vehicles at their convenience. This inconvenience does not lend itself well to the responsive support my department is accustomed to giving. We are using our own vehicles literally all the time as requests come in. I am not comfortable with this and am concerned about the liability of the city as well as vehicles of my employees.

Respectfully, I am requesting funding in the amount of \$30,000 to allow the Department of Public Works to procure an acceptable vehicle for which we may call our own.

Please feel free to consider using surplus payroll funding to cover the cost of this vehicle replacement.

My thanks for your consideration,

Joseph ? Mulley

Joseph P. Mulvey, CIO Information Technology Department City of Newton, MA



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January 8, 2018

Honorable City Council Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the sum of \$7,000 from the MassDEP Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Drop-Off Equipment Grant funds. These funds will be used for the establishment of a new municipal swap-shop for household goods.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthan Fuller

Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

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City of Newton



Ruthanne Fuller

Mayor

January 2, 2018

To: Mayor Ruthanne Fuller Maureen Lemieux, CFO

From: Jim McGonagle, Commissioner of DPW

Dear Mayor Fuller,

I write to request that the Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to accept the MassDEP Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Drop-off Equipment Grant funds in the amount of \$7,000 which will be used for a reuse "swap shop" at the Newton Resource Recovery Center.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Jim McGonagle Commissioner of Public Works

Jim McGonagle Commissioner Telephone: (617) 796-1009 • Fax: (617) 796-1050 • jmcg

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Department of Environmental Protection One Winter Street Boston, MA 02108 • 617-292-5500

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November 15, 2017

Mayor Setti D. Warren City of Newton 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459

Dear Mayor Warren,

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to inform you that the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) has awarded the City of Newton a Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Municipal Grant. The City of Newton will receive up to \$6,000 for a shed for the establishment of a new municipal swap shop for household goods and up to \$1,000 for education materials to publicize the new program.

The Sustainable Materials Recovery Program (SMRP) was created under 310 CMR 19.300-303 and the Green Communities Act, which directs a portion of the proceeds from the sale of Waste Energy Certificates to recycling programs approved by MassDEP. The SMRP solicitation, issued April 1, 2017, offered funding to cities, towns and regional entities - as well as certain non-profit organizations that provide services to them - for recycling, composting, reuse and source reduction activities that will increase diversion of municipal solid waste and household hazardous waste from disposal. MassDEP received applications from 69 municipalities, regional groups and non-profits. With \$4.9 million in requested funds, the evaluation and award process was extremely competitive.

The terms and conditions of your grant are outlined in the attached document, which contains key dates and deadlines specific to your award. This information has also been provided to the municipal recycling contact copied below. Should you have any questions, please call Tina Klein at 617-292-5704.

Thank you for your commitment to advancing recycling and waste reduction in Massachusetts. Together our efforts will reduce greenhouse gas emissions, conserve natural resources and save energy, while also supporting jobs and reducing disposal costs for waste generators and municipalities.

Sincerely, Matil S

Martin Suuberg Commissioner

cc: Waneta Trabert, Recycling Manager

This information is available in alternate format. Contact Michelle Waters-Ekanem, Director of Diversity/Civil Rights at 617-292-5751. TTY# MassRelay Service 1-800-439-2370 MassDEP Wabsite, www.mass.gov/dep

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Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Waste Prevention Sustainable Materials Recovery Program

Checklist for Drop-off Equipment Grant Award This document contains important grant deadlines and requirements.

Name of Municipality:

Instructions for the Municipal Recycling Contact:

- Fill out this checklist, have it signed by an <u>authorized municipal official</u>, and return it to MassDEP <u>no later than March 1, 2018</u>. Once received, we'll send you a <u>Grant</u> <u>Agreement</u>.
- Return the signed Grant Agreement to MassDEP no later than April 1, 2018.
- Do not expend funds for which you intend to seek grant reimbursement until AFTER a Grant Agreement has been executed.
- All funds must be spent and invoices received by MassDEP by December 31, 2018.

STEP ONE: Program Approval

Check the box below to signify that the necessary approvals have been secured.

□ The municipality has notified the MassDEP Regional Office and/or local Board of Health and received authorization, if required, to install the granted equipment and collect the material at its transfer station or conditionally exempt recycling facility.

STEP TWO: Target Materials to be Collected

In the space below, list the recyclable material(s) to be collected with the awarded equipment:

If you were awarded equipment for a Reuse Swap Shop or Universal Waste Shed, indicate the type of shed or structure you intend to purchase in the space below:

STEP THREE: Collection and Processing Locations

In the spaces below, provide the name, address, and type of facility where the awarded roll-off, compactor and/or shed will be located:

Facility Name:

Facility Address:

Facility Type:

(i.e., transfer station, conditionally exempt recycling operation)

In the spaces below, provide the name and address of the facility that will **process the collected material** (i.e., processor, end-market). Mark "N/A" for a ReUse Swap Shop.

Processing Facility/Vendor Name:

Processing Facility Address:

Processing Facility Telephone:

STEP FOUR: Intent to Purchase

When do you intend to purchase the drop-off equipment you were awarded?

Date:

STEP FIVE: Educational Materials (if awarded)

Provide a budget breakdown for how you intend to use the educational funds awarded: (e.g. Signage at transfer station, flyers, posters, postage, etc.)

| Item: | Amount: \$ | |
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STEP SIX: Signature of Authorized Official

I have reviewed and am familiar with the information contained in this checklist. The information contained in this checklist is to the best of my knowledge, true, accurate and complete. I am fully authorized to make this attestation on behalf of the Grantee municipality.

Print Name:

Title:

(Date)

By:

(Signature)

Contact Lydia Meintel-Wade with any questions: 617-556-1011 or Lydia.Meintel-Wade@State.MA.US

Return the completed checklist to:

Brooke Nash, MassDEP, Consumer Programs, One Winter Street, 7th Floor, Boston, MA 02108



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Waste Prevention Sustainable Materials Recovery Program

Checklist for Recycling Dividends Program Grant Award <u>This document contains important grant deadlines and requirements</u>

STEP ONE: EXECUTING THE CONTRACT

It is the responsibility of the municipal Recycling Contact to ensure that the RDP Contract is <u>signed by an individual currently holding one of the Titles listed on page 1</u> of the enclosed Authorized Signatory Listing form, which your municipality filed with MassDEP in the spring of 2017. If the person(s) listed on the form has changed (for example, a new Mayor has been elected), the municipal official with the same title may sign the RDP Contract. A new Authorized Signatory Listing form IS NOT REQUIRED.

For reference, a copy of your Authorized Signatory Listing has been sent to the municipal Recycling Contact.

The <u>signed</u> original RDP Contract must be returned to the address listed below **no later than December 31, 2017 or funds will be forfeited.**

STEP TWO: TRACK EXPENDITURES BY APPROVED EXPENSE CATEGORY

- This is not a reimbursement-based grant. Your award payment will be processed as soon as the RDP Contract is returned.
- However, you are required to keep track of approved expenditures, by expense categories. See Section 8 – Use of Funds, for a list of approved expense categories, and Section 9 for record keeping requirements.
- Be prepared to be audited.

STEP THREE: REPORT EXPENDITURES AND REMAINING BALANCE

 Funds do not need to be spent in the fiscal year awarded; they may be accumulated across fiscal years in order to make a larger purchase than is possible with one year's award. The municipality is required to report all expenditures from the previous calendar year no later than February 15th.

Contact Dawn Quirk with any questions: 617-292-5557 or Dawn.Quirk@state.ma.us

Return completed documents to: Dawn Quirk, MassDEP, Consumer Programs, One Winter Street, 7th Floor, Boston, MA 02108



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January 8, 2018

Honorable City Council Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$120,000 from June 30, 2018 Certified Free Cash to for additional final design engineering services for the West Newton Square rehabilitation project.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthan Fuller

Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

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City of Newton



Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449

January 8, 2018

To: Mayor Ruthanne Fuller

From: James McGonagle, Commissioner Louis M. Taverna, P.E., City Engineer

Subject: Request for Docket Item for Additional Project Funds Final Design Engineering Services West Newton Square Project, HDR Engineers, Inc.

I request a total of \$120,000 for additional final design engineering services for the West Newton Square rehabilitation project.

Brief Description of the Project: HDR Engineers are currently finalizing the engineering design for the West Newton Square rehabilitation project. Their current design fee is \$354,059. As a result of numerous meetings, workshops, changes and enhancements to the design effort, HDR requires an additional \$120,000 in fees to complete the final design engineering services, including development of plans and specifications for bidding purposes. This does not include engineering services during construction, or resident inspection services during construction, which will be estimated at a later date.

The project schedule is as follows: Completion of final design by spring 2018, bidding in spring 2018, and construction to begin in summer 2018.

Please docket this request with the Honorable City Council for their consideration.

Sincerely,

James McGonagle Commissioner Public Works City of Newton



Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING DIVISION

OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449

January 12, 2018

To: Mayor Ruthanne Fuller

From: James McGonagle, Commissioner Public Works Louis M. Taverna, P.E., City Engineer

Subject:Request for Docket Item for Additional Project Funds
Final Design Engineering Services,
West Newton Square Project, HDR Engineers, Inc.
Design Costs to Date and Cost to Complete

Department of Public Works hired HDR Engineering, Inc. in June 2016 for concept design for the West Newton Square enhancement project.

Contract value = \$168,441

\$168,441 expended (through December 2016).

Department of Public Works hired HDR Engineering, Inc. in January 2017 for preliminary and final design for the West Newton Square enhancement project.

Contract value = \$354,059 \$308,200 expended (through 11/25/17), \$45,859 remains, and is expended through December 2017 (invoice upcoming).

Due to enhancements, changes and revisions to the project over the past year, HDR requires additional man-hours effort to complete the final design plans and specifications. These include changes and revisions to the proposed bike lanes, through lane configurations, parking spaces, and left turn lanes on Cherry Street and Elm Street, and traffic studies and analyses for the above.

Estimated additional cost to complete = approximately \$120,000, as follows: Civil Engineering, \$50,000 Traffic Engineering, \$50,000 Streetscape Architecture, \$20,000

cc: Nadia Kahn Danielle Delaney Shawna Sullivan Barney heath Rachel Blatt



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January 8, 2018

Honorable City Council Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459 RECEIVED Newton City Clerk 2018 JAN - 8 PH 4: 57 David A. Olsen, CMC Newton, MA 02459

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to authorize the transfer of \$2,000,000 from Acct # 0110498-5794 Budget Reserve – Snow & Ice Removal to the following accounts:

| Acct # 0140110-5273 | Rental - Vehicles | \$1,400,000 |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Acct # 0140110-513001 | Regular Overtime | \$ 600,000 |

As of January 3, 2018 the City has spent a total of \$803,611.94.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas Fuller

Ruthanne Fuller Mayor City of Newton



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449

Ruthanne Fuller Mayor

To: Mayor Fuller

From: Jim McGonagle, Commissioner of DPW

Subject: Snow Docket

Date: January 3, 2018

Mayor Fuller,

I write to request that you docket for consideration a request to authorize the transfer of \$2,000,000 for Snow & Ice operations to the following accounts.

| Acct # 0140110-5273 | Rental - Vehicles | \$1,400,000 |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Acct # 0140110-513001 | Regular Overtime | \$600,000 |

As of January 3rd, the city has responded to five winter storm/ice events totaling 11.2 inches of snowfall. The city has spent a total of \$803,611.94 with an average cost of \$71,751.07 per inch of snow. The current snow expenses are detailed below.

| Budgeted | | Expenses | |
|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Total Personnel | \$ 283,300.00 | Total Personnel Costs | \$ 265,878.08 |
| Total Contractors | \$ 233,513.65 | Total Contracted Costs | \$ 291,270.00 |
| Salt | \$ 258,030.00 | Salt | \$ 103,306.06 |
| Equipment | \$ 243,447.85 | Equipment Expenses | \$ 143,157.80 |
| Total Snow Budget | \$ 1,018,291.50 | Total Snow Costs | \$ 803,611.94 |

Thank you

Jim McGonagle Commissioner of Public Works

Jim McGonagle Commissioner Fax: (617) 796-1050

Telephone: (617) 796-1009

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