

A regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. in the aldermanic chamber.

President Lori Wilshire presided; City Clerk Dan Healey recorded.

Prayer was offered by City Clerk Dan Healey; Alderman John Sullivan led in the Pledge to the Flag.

Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance.

The roll call was taken with 12 members of the Board of Aldermen present: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez (arrived at 7:37), Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons (via Zoom), Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire.

Alderwoman Kelly, Alderman Comeau, and Alderman Thibeault were recorded absent.

Mayor James W. Donchess, Corporation Counsel Steve Bolton were also in attendance.

REMARKS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Donchess

Yes, Madam President. There were a couple of things I wanted to mention on the agenda. First, we have R-23-140 which is the acceptance of a \$3 million grant from the federal government to basically build a new park between the library and the Court Street building. The design is done. It is going to be a very exciting project that will add public space, green space, as well as some features for kids and we hope to populate the park and use it a lot more than we do. I find this a very exciting project. Something that will be a very significant addition to our downtown neighborhood as well as the city as a whole. So I want to thank particularly Congresswoman Kuster and Senator Shaheen for working to get this money for the City of Nashua through a congressional authorization.

Also Madam President there's \$150,000 which I thought I would mention coming from the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority. That will be used to help us pay for the upgrade, the rewriting of the zoning law or the sort of the Land Use Code or the zoning law. We appreciate their support there and you'll ultimately see the result of a new Land Use Code.

There is someone I wanted to mention who passed away very recently, Vivian Rowe, who was a longtime resident involved in many boards, commissions. She was on many boards. She was a health care worker. I want to send my condolences to Albee Budnitz and the family for this loss. Very sad and really sorry to have lost her.

Finally, I wanted to mention the Park Fest that is coming forward on Sunday. Thank you Alderwoman Klee for putting this together. This is going to be in Greeley Park and it's a follow on to the event which we held last year which Alderwoman Klee held last year down at Renaissance Park. It's Sunday. This should be a very good time and we encourage everyone to go. It looks like the weather is going to be good.

I did want to mention also that Nashua was one of eight cities/municipalities across the country that were selected by the National League of Cities Advanced Economic Mobility Rapid Grant Program. So this is a \$15,000 grant. We are working to bring support for young and other entrepreneurs, particularly women in minorities as they start new business ventures. So we will be spearheading a local business accelerator program with this \$15,000 award. We will be partnering with an organization called "Co-Starters", a proven small business training program to help build a community of new entrepreneurs and new businesses to – and these would be obviously small businesses. They will be participants in this program, will get training, tools, resources to help them move businesses from an idea to a place where they are advanced enough to receive funding. There will be two boot camp weekends for up to 20 people to vet their ideas and an accelerator group of people - a cohort we call that - for 10 weeks for up to 10 businesses to bring them from the idea stage to launch. Any of these businesses can apply for the cities for a loan once they get to the right stage. Our City Nashua Revolving Loan Fund and seek along there to help get them off the ground. So we're very appreciative to the National League of Cities for this grant and we hope to start a whole group of new businesses as a result and employ more people help entrepreneurs in our community.

With that Madam President, I'm concluded unless anybody has any questions.

RESPONSE TO REMARKS OF THE MAYOR

Alderman Klee

Thank you, Madam President. Thank you Mr. Mayor for giving Park Fest a plug. I really appreciate that. We're looking forward to it.

I also wanted to comment on the \$150,000 for the New Hampshire Housing Authority for rewriting our Land Use Codes. It's time. I know sitting up on the Planning Board and so on a lot of things come up. I know I've questioned a few things and I've worked with Director Sullivan and Mr. Durfee. So I think it's time for us to update them and I'm looking forward to seeing what we do. Thank you.

President Wilshire

Anyone else? For the record, Alderman Lopez joined us at 7:37.

RECOGNITION PERIOD - None

READING MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the minutes of the Board of Aldermen meetings of June 13 and June 27, 2023 be accepted, placed on file, and the readings suspended.

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING ONLY PROCEDURAL ACTIONS AND WRITTEN REPORTS FROM LIAISONS - None

PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT RELATIVE TO ITEMS EXPECTED TO BE ACTED UPON THIS EVENING - None

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING FINAL APPROVAL

From: Mayor Jim Donchess

Re: Multi-Year Contract Award – Vision Government Solutions – Professional Consulting Services for Assessing

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE A MULTIYEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES WITH VISION GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$444,900 (APPROXIMATELY \$95,000 ANNUALLY). FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 132 ASSESSING; FUND: 53452 STAFFING SERVICES/GENERAL FUND BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Jette

Could we have an explanation as to what this is for?

Mayor Donchess

The Vision contract is to substitute for the Chief Assessor. They, Vision, through this contract will provide that service supervising all of the work and assessments done by the assessors in the office. We don't think this will be a permanent situation because there is someone within the staff who is receiving the training necessary to move from an Assessing Supervisor to Chief assessor but in the interim, this we believe is the best approach. We have been in the market to hire a Chief Assessor but no one qualified has come forward to take the job so we think this is the best way to provide the best service to the citizens of Nashua.

Alderman Jette

Thank you.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea:	Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire	12
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MOTION CARRIED

From: Mayor Jim Donchess

Re: Multi-Year Contract Award – Vision Government Solutions – Contract for Statistical Update Revaluation

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN TIMMONS TO APPROVE A MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT FOR STATISTICAL UPDATE REVALUATION WITH VISION GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$430,000. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 132 ASSESSING; FUND: 89726/CERF BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Jette

Again I think it's probably self-explanatory but I could ask through you to the Mayor. I know you've talked about - you're trying to do revaluations on a yearly/an annual basis to try to avoid the problems we ran into with the last re-evaluation since it was such a long period of time it was such a change that resulted. Is that your effort to try to avoid that? Is that what this is about?

Mayor Donchess

Yes Alderman Jette. You have summarized the situation correctly. What we saw in the last State ordered revaluation was that the housing prices had gone up an average of 40%. Since a number of years, four years had gone by between assessments, the escalation in home prices caused an increase for home property taxes and property taxes paid by homeowners. So we believe that if we do the revaluations more frequently and adjust the values more frequently will do two things. Number one, if there is any kind of change as a result of a revaluation meaning the kind of thing we saw in last year would occur more gradually. Number two, if we do see a decline in home values vis a vie commercial property - in other words if homes were to go down while commercial property did not for any reason, this would catch that downward motion, that downward trend and we'd be able to reverse some of the effects of the last revaluation where homes went up a lot and commercial did not.

Alderman Jette

Thank you.

Alderman Lopez

I was just wondering if the Mayor through the President to the Mayor why it looks like CERF – the capital equipment reserve fund - is one of those sources for funding this that particularly was contemplated.

Mayor Donchess

Well we thought that that was the best place to get the money for the time being although Mr. Cummings has more detail if you want to invite him to the podium.

Tim Cummings, Administrative Services Director

Yes thank you, Madam Chair and through you to the Board of Aldermen. Tim Cummings, Admin Services. So this was a topic of discussion internally. We were advised by the Finance Department that this was the proper source to actually use. It is actually outlined as an eligible source when the fund was created. As I understand it in the past, this is how we've actually paid for our revaluations back in 2018. This is what we did.

President Wilshire

All set Alderman Lopez.

Alderman Lopez

Yup.

President Wilshire

Anyone for anything further? Seeing none, will the Clerk please call the roll please.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd,
Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 12

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy DeRoche, OED Project Manager

Re: Amendment for Professional Engineering Services for Final Design Services of the Nashua Downtown Riverfront Implementation Project in the amount of \$53,860 funded from 53107 Architect & Engineering Services/Riverfront TIF Fund

MOTION BY ALDERMAN GOUVEIA TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR UPDATES TO THE COTTON MILL ADA RAMP PROJECT TO MEET FEDERAL FUNDING REGULATIONS AS WELL AS THE PINE STREET PEDESTRIAN CROSSING FINAL DESIGN SERVICES WITH VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN (VHB) INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$53,860. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 183 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; FUND: 53107 ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING SERVICES/RIVERFRONT TIF FUND BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd,
Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 12

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy DeRoche, OED Project Manager

Re: Amendment for Professional Engineering Services for Environmental Permitting of the Nashua Downtown Riverfront Implementation Project in the amount of \$55,600 funded from 53107 Architect & Engineering Services/Riverfront TIF Fund

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE AND PLACE ON FILE AN AMENDMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING OF THE NASHUA DOWNTOWN RIVERFRONT IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT WITH VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN (VHB) INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,600. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 183 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; FUND: 53107 ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING SERVICES/RIVERFRONT TIF FUND BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd,
Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 12

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

From: Mayor Jim Donchess

Re: Multi-Year Contract Award - Pitney Bowes

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN TIMMONS TO APPROVE A NEW LEASE AGREEMENT FOR SENDPRO ENTERPRISE SOFTWARE TO BE USED BY THE TAX DEPARTMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX LIEN AND WASTEWATER LIEN CERTIFIED LETTERS WITH PITNEY BOWES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,464.60 (\$274.41 PER MONTH). FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH DEPARTMENT: 122 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY; FUND: 54407 SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE/GENERAL FUND BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd,
Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 12

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

From: Mayor Jim Donchess

Re: Multi-Year Contract Award - Sewer Overflow and Interceptor Monitoring

MOTION BY ALDERMAN GOUVEIA TO APPROVE AMENDMENT 4 TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR THREE YEARS WITH FLOW ASSESSMENT OF AUBURN, NH, FOR THE COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW AND INTERCEPTOR MONITORING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$267,700. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH DEPARTMENT: 169 WASTEWATER; FUND: 53107 ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING SERVICES/GENERAL FUND BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd,
Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 12

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

From: Shawn Smith, Plant Operations Director, Nashua School District

Re: Purchase of F350 Dump Truck with Plow in the amount of \$76,797.95 funded from 81500 Vehicles/CERF

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A F350 DUMP TRUCK WITH PLOW FROM GRAPPONE AUTOMOTIVE GROUP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,797.95. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH DEPARTMENT: 191 SCHOOL; FUND: 81500 VEHICLES/CERF BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd,
Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 12

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

From: Celia K. Leonard, Esq.

Re: Bylaw Amendments 201 Main Street Real Estate Corp. and 201 Main Street Financing Corp. (together, the Bylaws")

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN TO ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE THE COMMUNICATION FROM ATTORNEY LEONARD REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS FOR THE 201 MAIN STREET REAL ESTATE CORPORATION AND 201 MAIN STREET FINANCING CORP. AND CONSENT TO THE SAME BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Sullivan

Thank you, Madam President. I have a question but first I wanted to - I went through this a little bit once we got the memo and I noticed that I did - you probably went down the rabbit hole a little bit on Board of Trustees versus Board of Directors and I didn't realize it. There were two separate bodies created by R-19-136 while they created the two Boards of Directors back in 2019. So I saw this memo was a good thing because it opens up a lot of I guess what previously was private nonprofit thanks to Director Cummings for getting me on the straight and narrow on the differences between the

Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors. So now I understand that even though a lot of the people are the same people, they serve on both the Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors. My question around the memo is why are we making this change now? It wasn't subject to RSA Right to Know. We didn't have to post meetings or anything like that. Why do we have to do that now?

Steve Bolton, Corporation Counsel

There is debate about whether these two entities which are not the city, they are separate entities from the city, are subject to RSA 91-A. In order to resolve that dispute, it's easy enough for these two entities to follow 91-A. Now the adopted Bylaws of each of the entities have provisions in it that would purport to allow them to do meetings by telephone, to do meetings by consent, and take actions by consent without having a meeting. That would not be permitted under RSA 91-A. So they wish to change the Bylaws in order to have the Bylaws reflect what they are allowed to do or not purport to allow them to do things that RSA 91-A would not allow.

Another interesting provision of their Bylaws is that any of the amendment to the Bylaws of each of these LLCs or each of these corporations have to be approved or consented to by the Board of Aldermen. So our office has no concern that the city has any interest that's going to be adversely affected if these changes to the Bylaws are made and it resolves certain misunderstandings and perhaps problems that might otherwise occur. So it's our recommendation that consent be given and no harm will be done.

Alderman Sullivan

Yes just a brief follow up through you to Corporation Counsel. So now all the minutes have to be posted. I think financials as well. Is that retroactive or is that just on the go forward?

Steve Bolton, Corporation Counsel

The court hasn't weighed in on this yet. This has not changed. They either are or are not subject to 91-A and they have been from their inception. That hasn't been ruled on yet. These changes to their Bylaws do not provide any retroactive application.

Alderman Sullivan

Okay.

President Wilshire

Further discussion? Further questions? Seeing none with the Clerk call the roll.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea:	Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire	12
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MOTION CARRIED

PETITIONS - NONE

NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTIONS

The following new and reappointments by the Mayor were read into the record:

Cultural Connections Committee

Lynne Boyer (new appointment)
9 Northfield Road
Amherst, NH 03031

Term to Expire: September 30, 2024

Donna Marceau (re-appointment)
37 Pinewood Road
Hudson, NH 03051

Term to Expire: February 28, 2026

Samba Halkose (re-appointment)
58 Winter Street
Manchester, NH 03102

Term to Expire: July 30, 2026

Shanta Bist (re-appointment)
4 Cobble Hill Road
Nashua, NH 03062

Term to Expire: February 1, 2026

Zoning Board of Adjustment

A John (Jay) Minkarah (re-appointment)
13 Mount Pleasant Street
Nashua, NH 03064

Term to Expire: September 11, 2026

There being no objection, President Wilshire accepted the Appointments by the Mayor as read and referred them to the Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Budget Review Committee 06/06/2023, 06/08/2023, 06/26/2023

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the reports of the June 6, June 8, and June 26, 2023 Budget Review Committee be accepted and placed on file.

Finance Committee 06/21/2023

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the report of the June 21, 2023 Finance Committee be accepted and placed on file.

Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee 06/05/2023

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the report of the June 5, 2023 Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee be accepted and placed on file.

Planning and Economic Development Committee 06/14/2023

There being no objection, President Wilshire declared the report of the June 14, 2023 Planning and Economic Development Committee be accepted and placed on file.

CONFIRMATION OF MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

R-23-132

- Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
- Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
- Alderman John Sullivan
- Alderman Patricia Klee
- Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
- Alderman Richard A. Dowd
- Alderman June M. Caron
- Alderman Derek Thibeault
- Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
- Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
- Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$150,000 FROM THE NEW HAMPSHIRE HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN LOPEZ FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-23-132 BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea:	Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire	12
Nay:		0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-23-132 declared duly adopted.

R-23-133

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Derek Thibeault
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF \$110,000 FROM DEPARTMENT 162 "STREET LIGHTING", ACCOUNT 54100 "ELECTRICITY" TO DEPARTMENT 159 "HYDRANTS - FIRE PROTECTION", ACCOUNT 54835 "HYDRANT FEES"

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN JETTE FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-23-133 BY ROLL CALL

ON THE QUESTION

Alderman Jette

So this came before the Budget Review Committee and it was unanimously recommended for final passage. If I recall correctly, the discussion this came about because the amount that was charged for hydrants, which is according to the tariff schedule of charges approved by the Public Utilities Commission that permit Pennichuck for charging us for this hydrant service increased, and while the amount that we had budgeted for street lighting because of the LED bulbs that we have, the cost was less than what we budgeted for so we are transferring the \$110,000 from the lighting to the hydrants to pay the bill that was coming to us from Pennichuck. If anyone recalls it differently, you're welcome to say so.

President Wilshire

Further discussion? Seeing none with the Clerk please call the roll.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea:	Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire	12
Nay:		0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-23-133 declared duly adopted.

R-23-134

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
 Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
 Alderman Patricia Klee
 Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
 Alderman Thomas Lopez
 Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
 Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
 Alderman Alex Comeau
 Alderman Richard A. Dowd
 Alderman Tyler Gouveia
 Alderman June M. Caron
 Alderman Derek Thibeault
 Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A FEDERAL AID PROGRAM PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WALNUT STREET OVAL INTERSECTION AND TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE \$2,061,847.26 FOR THE PROJECT

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-23-134 BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
 Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd,
 Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 12

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-23-134 declared duly adopted.

R-23-135

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
 Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
 Alderman Patricia Klee
 Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
 Alderman Thomas Lopez
 Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
 Alderman Richard A. Dowd
 Alderman June M. Caron
 Alderman Derek Thibeault
 Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
 Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO AMENDING THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 RELATIVE TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ("CDBG")

Given its second reading;

MOTION BY ALDERMAN LOPEZ FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-23-135 BY ROLL CALLON THE QUESTIONAlderman Lopez

Just to clarify, we discussed this at Human Affairs Committee. We do our annual CDBG funding plan and identify the different organizations that have plans for what we can do with that money. In this particular case, Opportunity Networks is getting some windows replaced and Plus Company was getting flooring replaced. Opportunity Networks managed

to do it for a little bit less than they thought they would need and the Plus Company needs a little bit more so we're transferring one from the other.

President Wilshire

Sounds good. Further discussion? Would the Clerk please call the roll.

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea:	Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire	12
Nay:		0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-23-135 declared duly adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – ORDINANCES - None

NEW BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

R-23-136

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Richard A. Dowd

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF \$95,000 FROM DEPARTMENT 122 "INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY" TO DEPARTMENT 120 "TECHNOLOGY MAINTENANCE"

Given its first reading; Assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE, by President Wilshire

R-23-137

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF \$6,000 FROM DEPARTMENT 171 "COMMUNITY SERVICES" TO DEPARTMENT 173 "ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH"

Given its first reading; Assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE, by President Wilshire

R-23-138

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Richard A. Dowd

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF \$220,000 FROM DEPARTMENT 194 "CONTINGENCY", ACCOUNT 70100 "GENERAL CONTINGENCY" TO DEPARTMENT 198 "INTERFUND TRANSFERS", ACCOUNT 89725 "TRANSFER TO CITY RETIREMENT TRUST FUND"

Given its first reading; Assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE, by President Wilshire

R-23-139

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman John Sullivan
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.

Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF UP TO \$200,000 FROM THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

Given its first reading; Assigned to the HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, by President Wilshire

R-23-140

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman John Sullivan
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tyler Gouveia
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF \$3,000,000 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE NASHUA LIBRARY PLAZA AREA

Given its first reading; Assigned to the HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE and SCHEDULED A SPECIAL BOARD OF ALDERMEN PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M., by President Wilshire

R-23-141

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman John Sullivan
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tyler Gouveia
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

AMENDING THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 RELATIVE TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ("CDBG")

Given its first reading; Assigned to the HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, by President Wilshire

R-23-142

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING MAJOR REPAIRS, REPLACING FURNITURE, FIXTURES, AND EQUIPMENT, AND MAKING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE NASHUA CENTER FOR THE ARTS FACILITY

Given its first reading; Assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE and SCHEDULED A SPECIAL BOARD OF ALDERMEN PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M., by President Wilshire

R-23-143

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.

Alderman John Sullivan
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tyler Gouveia
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A TAX DEEDED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 14 MEADOW LANE

Given its first reading; Assigned to the COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, by President Wilshire

R-23-144

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
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Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tyler Gouveia
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A TAX DEEDED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 17 JACKSON STREET

Given its first reading; Assigned to the COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, by President Wilshire

R-23-145

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman John Sullivan
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tyler Gouveia
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A TAX DEEDED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 19 NEW SEARLES ROAD

Given its first reading; Assigned to the COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, by President Wilshire

R-23-146

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman John Sullivan
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tyler Gouveia
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A TAX DEEDED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 115-117 WEST HOLLIS STREET

Given its first reading; Assigned to the COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, by President Wilshire

R-23-147

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
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Alderman John Sullivan
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tyler Gouveia
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A TAX DEEDED PROPERTY LOCATED AT L BRIDGE STREET

Given its first reading; Assigned to the COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, by President Wilshire

R-23-148

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Richard A. Dowd

RELATIVE TO THE FY2023 TRANSFER OF \$150,000 FROM DEPARTMENT 132 "ASSESSING" TO DEPARTMENT 198 "INTERFUND TRANSFERS"

Given its first reading; Assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE, by President Wilshire

R-23-149

Endorsers: Alderman Alex Comeau
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman June M. Caron
Alderman John Sullivan
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman Tyler Gouveia

AMENDING THE SCOPE OF THE PARK REHABILITATION EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS INTO THE PARK REHABILITATION EXPANDABLE TRUST FUND FROM THE EAST SIDE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS TO THE SARGENT AVENUE PARK AREA

Given its first reading; Assigned to the BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE and SCHEDULED A SPECIAL BOARD OF ALDERMEN PUBLIC HEARING ON MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M., by President Wilshire

R-23-150

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO PCS SITE AGREEMENT WITH SBA 2012 TC ASSETS, LLC FOR THE CELL TOWER SITE LOCATED AT 70 BRIDGE STREET

Given its first reading; Assigned to the FINANCE COMMITTEE, by President Wilshire

NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCES**O-23-057**

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

UPDATING THE ORDINANCE REGARDING THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Given its first reading; Assigned to the PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, by President Wilshire

O-23-058

Endorsers: Alderman June M. Caron
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

AUTHORIZING A STOP SIGN ON MARCH STREET AT ITS INTERSECTION WITH DUDLEY STREET

Given its first reading; Assigned to the COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE, by President Wilshire

PERIOD FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - None

REMARKS BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Alderman Lopez

September 12th the Continuum of Care is organizing employment connect so any businesses within the sound of my voice that are interested in hiring or looking for people definitely check that out. You can find the information on the Greater Nashua Continuum of Care's website as well as Involved Impact. Anybody who's looking for work, obviously, go to the library on September 12th. We're gonna have a job fair.

Alderman Klee

Thank you, Madam President. A couple of things I wanted to mention. This past week one of my constituents had their water shut off because of the work that is being done on Berkeley Street but this person happens to live on Concord Street. In that particular case, Pennichuck knew that their water would be shut off, send out the appropriate notifications but there was a glitch in the system. The glitch resulted in that not all the information that Pennichuck had was updated and so on. So I'm just trying to send out like a PSA. More and more companies are using electronic notifications through texting, through calling and sending phone messages, and so on. So I strongly suggest that everybody that has any kind of utility that you make sure that your information is updated. Sometimes you can go online and do it. Pennichuck they found out that their two systems weren't quite talking together. One system had the right information. The other one didn't. They're working on that. They're doing a forensic deep dive into it. It's a lesson learned that I think it's something that we all need to do. We change our phone numbers. We change our email addresses and the utility companies are the last people we think about.

The other thing is that the city did put out an announcement that on August 10th they're changing phone service provider so that inbound calls, just to basically city offices, from 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. won't be happening. No emergency services like 911, or fire, or police will be affected by anything like that.

The third thing is near and dear to my heart and the Mayor brought up is my little Park Fest. We're going to have like 35 different tables there. Many activities - a lot of children's activities. We'll have a children's activity tent there where we do rock painting, puppy faces. A lot of different types of things. SCARE New Hampshire's going to be there and they're gonna have a haunted walk through. They're doing it for \$2 donation and once you pay \$2 donation go through as many times as you want. You just have to get back into cue. If you bring a gently used wearable costume, new costume per person, it's a free walkthrough because that's what they do. They accept these kinds of costumes, and decorations, and so on. This is particularly so costumes and so on. We're going to have children's readings. They're going to talk about the reading to pets program that the Humane Society has and is going on. We had some really generous donations that were given to this so that we could put this on. The majority of the people there will be nonprofits. So I really asked people to come out. Also pray for good weather on Sunday please. There's a lot of people that will be there. Make It Labs will be there, the Rotary Club will be there, the Senior Center will be there, Hoyer, and Involved to Impact will be there, Wanderlust will be there, Nashua Habitat for Humanity. We're having a home built on Greeley Street with the Nashua Habitat for Humanity and they're going to be there maybe looking for volunteers that could help with that particular build. She has to do 350 hours so volunteers can help her get that 350 hours in for this. So it's really going to be an exciting thing. It's bigger than I ever thought. Soel Sisters will be there. Hazy Ice Cream will be there. So come and for Aldermen I do have little brochures if you if you want one.

President Wilshire

Alderman Klee you might want to announce the date, time, and place.

Alderman Klee

That would be nice. It's going to be this Sunday. Thank you so much. This Sunday, Greeley Park. This Sunday August 13th 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. I will be there like 6:30 in the morning. I have an incredible team that I would not be able to do this. If you'll just indulge me a few minutes, I'd really like to say their name. Mary Doherty who is the president of TAP. All the funds will be benefiting TAP which is teachers and paws project. Linda Rue is also she is the one who has been coordinating volunteers. Also, every one of them is helping put this together. Alison Galipeau is our Facebook person and she's going to be emceeing. She's very dynamite. She did a little stint with the Nashua Theatre Guild and she was really good. Last but not least is Sandy Silva. She does our graphic design so all the designs that you see here, the T shirts that you can purchase, and so on, banners all are from Sandy Silva. So they they've done an incredible job. I said the other day to one of them I couldn't do this without them and I swear in unison they went that's right. I could not have done it without them. So thank you.

Alderman O'Brien

Yeah thank you, Madam President. I would just like to say is the Chairman of Infrastructure, we have five authorizing the sale of tax deeded properties at various locations. Before somebody thinks that the Infrastructure Committee is hosted by the Wicked Witch of the West that is not the case. Many of these properties have been in arrears for quite some time. Some are fire damaged derelict buildings within the neighborhood. It basically needs to be looked at. It has been past history by State law. There is a minimum amount of time. Some of these properties have gone well beyond that. So the city has done diligence, tried to work with many of the property owners but still at the last minute with a reprieve if they should come up and make themselves whole with the assessor's office that can be done. So at any time, it could be

yanked from the process. I don't think particularly seven of the new members and even some of the old members, it's not something that has been done a heck of a lot by this Board but it is timely. If we're all going to pay our fair share, then we gotta due diligence to the matter. So therefore, Alderman Sullivan can agree, we got two in the Ward 9 neighborhood that need strict attention to and maybe in your neighborhood as well too. So there is some work and looking forward to try to solve this problem. I just want to allay the public, we're not and to try to take anything away from anybody unnecessarily. Thank you Madam President.

Alderman Dowd

I thought that Alderman Klee was gonna throw this football but on the 14th of this month, they'll start paving Winter Street and Locust Street around the Franklin Street School.

Also in relation to that, that school will not start until September 5th, which is a couple of days late for the alternative school. The preschool is always going to be the fifth but the whole school won't start til the 5th to give extra time for the paving, and the marking of the streets, and all that.

Also while in that same vein on the 17th of August, we'll be paving the intersection of Medallion and Buckmeadow where the new traffic circle is. The traffic circle at that point will be finished. It's half done right now. There've been signs posted there by DPW telling people they love to find alternate routes. They will definitely be able to get to their homes so that's not a problem for the other people to avoid that intersection on the 17th

Committee announcements:

Alderman Dowd

Yes on the 14th there's going to be a budget meeting here and it's going to be a discussion with BAE Systems relative to the grant that they're going in for with Nashua Community College. It should be a very interesting evening. Somebody from BAE will be here to explain it. Director Cummings, I hope, will be here as well.

We are also probably going to have to schedule another budget meeting because of the number of things we have to concern ourselves with. On the 28th will be at quite a slate so some of the items might be moved off to the first part of September.

Alderwoman Timmons

Thank you Madam President. On our website we have the Health Committee for tomorrow. There's no Health Committee meeting tomorrow. It's been postponed until September.

President Wilshire

Thank you. Anyone else?

Alderman Lopez

As was mentioned earlier, the Human Affairs Committee has a public hearing at the August 21st meeting. We have a couple of interesting agenda items, including the library renovations. As a follow up to our last meeting where we spoke to New Hampshire Legal Assistance and had a presentation on tenant rights and services that residents can access to support those rights, some of the city departments will also be coming in to talk about things like code enforcement and environmental health just to kind of give people an idea of what they can do, what they can't do, what kind of resources are available, and that kind of thing.

NONPUBLIC SESSION

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN THAT THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN GO INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION BY ROLL CALL PURSUANT TO RSA 91-A:3 II (L) CONSIDERATION OF LEGAL ADVICE PROVIDED BY LEGAL COUNSEL, EITHER IN WRITING OR ORALLY, TO ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC BODY, EVEN WHERE LEGAL COUNSEL IS NOT PRESENT, BY ROLL CALL.

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN KLEE

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia,
Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 11

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The Board of Aldermen went into non-public session at 8:27 p.m.

The Board of Aldermen came out of non-public session at 8:50 p.m.

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN THAT THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN SEAL THE MINUTES OF THE NON-PUBLIC SESSION BECAUSE IT WAS DETERMINED THAT DIVULGENCE OF THE INFORMATION LIKELY WOULD RENDER THE PROPOSED ACTION INEFFECTIVE AND REMAIN SEALED UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE VOTES THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE CONFIDENTIALITY WOULD NO LONGER BE SERVED, BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia,
Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 11

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY ALDERMAN O'BRIEN THAT THE AUGUST 8, 2023, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN BE ADJOURNED BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman O'Brien, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Klee, Alderman Moran,
Alderman Lopez, Alderman Jette, Alderman Dowd, Alderman Gouveia,
Alderman Caron, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Wilshire 11

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Attest: Dan Healey, City Clerk