



## RESOLUTION

**AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS  
(\$10,000) FROM THE CONSERVATION FUND ON CONSULTING SERVICES WITH  
THE NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

### *CITY OF NASHUA*

*In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty*

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that the Mayor is authorized to expend up to \$10,000 from the Nashua Conservation Fund (Fund #4080) on consulting services with the Nashua Regional Planning Commission to assist in completing stewardship plans and various other work in accordance with the Conservation Commission's duties per RSA 36-A.

**LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2020**

**RESOLUTION:** R-20-095

**PURPOSE:** Authorizing the expenditure of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the Conservation Fund on consulting services with the Nashua Regional Planning Commission

**SPONSOR(S):** Mayor Jim Donchess

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT:** Budget Review Committee

**FISCAL NOTE:** Fiscal impact is the expenditure of up to \$10,000. The current balance of the Conservation Fund (Fund #4080) is \$1,632,255.

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**ANALYSIS**

This resolution would authorize the City to expend up to \$10,000 from the Nashua Conservation Fund on consulting services with the Nashua Regional Planning Commission to assist in completing stewardship plans and various other work in accordance with the Conservation Commission's duties under RSA Chapter 36-A. The Conservation Commission approved this expenditure by vote on November 4, 2020.

NRO §5-118 provides that monies in the Conservation Fund may be expended by the Conservation Commission in accordance with applicable law and ordinances, subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen. RSA Chapter 36-A provides that money may be expended from the Conservation Fund consistent with the purposes found in that chapter, which broadly includes "the proper utilization and protection of the natural resources" of the City.

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**Approved as to account structure, numbers, and amount:**

**Financial Services Division**

By: /s/ John Griffin

**Approved as to form:**

**Office of Corporation Counsel**

By: Douglas Clarke

Date: 16 November 2020



**City of Nashua**  
Community Development Division

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**Date:** November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**To:** Board of Aldermen  
Jim Donchess, Mayor

**From:** Matt Sullivan, Planning Department Manager (on behalf of Conservation Commission)

**Re:** Relative to \$10,000 authorization request from the Board of Aldermen from the Conservation Fund for technical assistance services through the Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC)

On behalf of the City's Conservation Commission, the Planning Department is submitting a request to the Board of Aldermen for a \$10,000 authorization for the purposes of funding a contract (pending) with Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) for technical assistance to the Commission on an as needed basis. The funding source for the appropriation is the Conservation Fund.

NRPC has historically provided technical assistance services to the City and continues to serve as a resource to support and enhance local planning efforts and as a conduit to regional and statewide best-practices for natural resource protection and planning.

In the interest of fulfilling its mission of ensuring the proper utilization and protection of the natural and watershed resources in the City of Nashua, and the statutory duties of the Commission pursuant to NH RSA 36-A, the Conservation Commission has identified several priority support areas that will be the basis of the forthcoming contract including, but not limited to:

- Forest and Land Management Planning
- Technical Assistance to Trail Mapping and Wayfinding efforts
- Development of Enhanced GIS Maps for Existing Lands/Resources
- Support of Easement Monitoring Efforts
- Other Staff Support as Required by the Commission

At the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Conservation Commission meeting, NRPC joined the Commission for a discussion of these priorities to ensure compatibility between the proposed NRPC team and the Commission members. Subsequent to that discussion, the following vote occurred:

*MOTION by Chairman Dutzy to make a \$10,000 appropriation request to the Board of Aldermen to provide technical assistance to the Conservation Commission through the Nashua Regional Planning Commission, for a scope of work to be defined, but limited to the work of the Commission as prescribed under RSA 36-A.*

If authorized, the Planning Department will work cooperatively with the Conservation Commission and NRPC to refine the contract scope through the month of December, with a goal of finalizing the contract and commencing work as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and I look forward to being available to answer any questions that the Board may have.

Cc:  
Sarah Marchant, Community Development Director  
Sherry Dutzy, Chair, Nashua Conservation Commission

**RESOLUTION R-20-095**

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**IN THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

1<sup>ST</sup> READING November 24, 2020

Referred to: Budget Review Committee

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading December 8, 2020

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading \_\_\_\_\_

4<sup>th</sup> Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Other Action \_\_\_\_\_

Passed December 8, 2020

Indefinitely Postponed \_\_\_\_\_

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk

Lari Wilshire  
President

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

**Endorsed by**

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Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Sustained: \_\_\_\_\_

Veto Overridden: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk

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