

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

VOTE

Authorizing the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Lowell, to accept and expend Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars in grant funding from the Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board and the Massachusetts General Court, Veterans Heritage Grant Program.

The Veteran's Heritage Grant Program has made available to the City of Lowell Grant funds in the amount of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars to the Pollard Memorial Library; and

The City of Lowell is desirous of accepting and expending said Grant from the Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board and the Massachusetts General Court, Veterans Heritage Grant Program; and

The City of Lowell desires to use said grant monies to help preserve the history of our Commonwealth's veterans; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL, as follows:

That the City Manager of the City of Lowell is hereby authorized to accept and expend Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars in grant funding from the Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board and the Massachusetts General Court, Veterans Heritage Grant Program which will help preserve the history of our Commonwealth's veterans.



Since 1844, Lowell's public library.

Victoria B. Woodley
Director

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Date: April 8, 2020
To: Lowell City Councilors
E. Donoghue, City Manager
Cc: J. Keegan, Interim HHS Director
From: V. Woodley, Library Director
Re: Acceptance of funds for Veterans' Heritage Grant

I request permission to accept a check for \$10,000 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the Veterans' Heritage Grant. This grant application has been approved by the City's grant committee.

Our Library staff will use these funds to process many Lowell Veterans' records that have been previously stored at City Hall and the Senior Center. We are entering data from the records into a computer program, scanning the hard copies, and eventually digitizing the records so they can be viewed by researchers on the web. We are using the labor of our own staff and various interns from UML to process these records. The funds will be used for the digitization of this project and any archival materials we will need to store the original records properly.

Thank you in advance for your approval of this request.

Attachment: Letter from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board and the Mass. General Court re check for Veterans' Heritage Grant.