

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

VOTE

Authorizing the City Manager, acting through the Department of Planning and Development, to accept and expend Fiscal Year 2019 four earmarked funds totaling \$1,000,000.00 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts via the Department of Conservation and Recreation.

The City of Lowell desires to accept and expend four earmarked funds to be used on several park, open space and beautification projects across the City; and

The City of Lowell was able to obtain the funds as a result of the efforts of the state delegation; and

The earmarked funds include \$250,000 for the design and construction of a new Veteran's Memorial Park on Douglas Road, \$250,000 for physical improvements to Kittredge Park, \$250,000 for Downtown streetscape beautification including new street furniture, and \$250,000 for improvements at several other parks across the City including striping of new pickle ball courts at Shedd Park.

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

That the City Manager, acting through the Department of Planning and Development, is hereby authorized in the name of the City of Lowell to accept and expend Fiscal Year 2019 four earmarked funds totaling \$1,000,000.00 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts via the Department of Conservation and Recreation to be used on several park, open space and beautification projects across the City.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED:

That the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Lowell, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts via the Department of Conservation and Recreation.



Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

Kara Keefe Mullin
Assistant City Manager

March 26, 2019

Mayor William Samaras
and
Members of the City Council

SUBJECT: Request for Approval to Accept and Expend Fiscal Year 2019 Earmarked State Funds for Economic Development

Dear Mayor Samaras and Members of the City Council:

I respectfully request that the City Council Vote to approve and accept Fiscal Year 2019 earmarked funds in the amount of \$1,000,000, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts via Department of Conservation and Recreation. The City secured four earmarks through the efforts of our hardworking State Delegation.

The earmarked funds will be used on several park, open space and beautification projects across the City. Projects include \$250,000 for the design and construction of a new Veteran's Memorial Park on Douglas Road, \$250,000 for physical improvements to Kittredge Park, \$250,000 for Downtown streetscape beautification including new street furniture, and \$250,000 for improvements at several other parks across the City including the striping of new pickleball courts at Shedd Park.

These funds have already been secured by the City and are ready for use, subject to the City Council's approval of acceptance. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

EMD/ns

Attachment

cc: Christine P. O'Connor, City Solicitor
Diane N. Tradd, Assistant City Manager/DPD Director
Yovani Baez-Rose, Design Planner