

Budget and Finance Committee

9/2/21 6:00 pm City Council Chambers/Hybrid

Meeting Post: <https://www.cityofnewburyport.com/city-council/events/292051>

Roll:

Councillors McCauley (in person), Zeid (in person), Connell (COTW), Wallace (COTW)

Staff/External Joining Ethan Manning (Finance Director), Donna Muscarneci (Chief of Staff), Lise Reid (Parks), Kim Turner (Chair Parks)

Matters (Green = Coming out of Committee, Yellow = Remains in Committee):

1) ORDR265_08_09_2021 CPC-FY22 Recommendations (COTW)

#	Description	Public Comment	Vote	Discussion
1	YWCA @ Hillside	Judy Tymon Jennie Donahue, 18 Cherry St. Susanne Cameron, 5 Milk St.	Recommend AK, JM (0-3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From previous mtg• Discussion about whether PB/ZB decision was part of this• They came up short on pricing.
2	Rental Assistance	Susanne Cameron, 5 Milk St.	Recommend AK, JM (3-0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From previous mtg• AHT spoke, they have done this program and exhausted other funds• Administered Pettengill House
3	Custom House Door	None	Recommend AK, JM (2-1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From previous mtg• Talked about PR
4	Cushing House	None	Recommend AK, JM (3-0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From previous mtg
5	Garrison Birthplace	None	Recommend AK, JM (3-0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From previous mtg• Half from NBPT Bank
6	Open Space	None	Recommend AK, JM (3-0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From previous mtg

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 630k to meet 10% requirement of CPA • Needed reserve
7	Market Landing	None	<p>Amend: Conditions:</p> <p>Prior to expenditure of any funds or utilization of these funds as a proposed match towards any grant application under this award, the applicant shall return to the City Council for approval of said expenditure or any grant application.</p> <p>This award shall expire in 1 year following award unless otherwise extended by the City Council.</p> <p>2-0 amendment (JM, SZ)</p> <p>2-0 approve as amended (JM, SZ)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed process • City apply for PARCC probably next Spring • Discussed language • Wanted checks and balance
8	Lower Atkinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jane Snow, 9 Coffin St. 	<p>Motion to Approve</p> <p>0-2 (JM, SZ)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is for a clubhouse • Would like include clubhouse • Would need to move the clubhouse • Initial price tag was \$3M • Debate about whether current plan is interim or final • Pioneer wants it to stay and may have even offered funds towards to it • Conference room? Is it needed? Change of use?
9	Bartlett Mall		<p>Motion to approve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2-0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve water quality

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Granite – Concom? Wells to feed fresh water? There are 4 aerators. Keep water clean after clean Big fountain – should we take it out and put it back in or put it back somewhere else? Concom open is to granite but not sure
10	Restoration of Fountain		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amend - The Fountain be returned as is practicable to the park. 2-0 2-0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build 2 courts Replacing two existing courts They would be USTA approved Youth Services could use
11	Nock Tennis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jane Snow, 9 Coffin St. – Oppose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to amend to make Parks sole awardee, 2-0 Stays in Committee, 2-0 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Committee purview Why isn't School Committee Applying Full funding – yes Neighborhood impact – will check SC 2/3/20 did approved of this SC 2/1/21 Schools will manage this following completion Should School department run project Problem with Parks not owning the land Is this a legal issue?

12	Atwood		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to approve, 1-1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fix this since 2014 • 43 responded to survey who wanted lights • Do lights count as CPC? • Norwell case
13	Stadium Bond		Collective – 3-0	
14	Cherry Hill			
15	Administrative Costs			

2) ORDR274_08_30_2021 Loan Order for Police Cruisers

- Resulting from DOR guidance about how to process these
- DOR now says that lease purchase should be treated like borrowing
- Requires 2/3rds of the Council
- This is the total amount for the 2 vehicles
- DOR wants commitment from Council since spans multiple years
- \$97.5k includes cost to buy and equipment, underwriting costs but not financing costs

Motion to recommend approval, 2-0

3) ODNC090_08_09_2021 Proposed Electrical Fee Schedule

Didn't discuss

4) ORDR269_08_09_2021 Friends of COA Gift Acceptance

Didn't discuss

5) ORDR277_08_30_2021 Late File Municipal Fee Schedule Fiscal Year 2022

Didn't discuss

6) ODNC094_08_30_2021 Late File Municipal Fee Schedule

Didn't discuss

7) COMM311_03_08_2021 Cllr Tontar letter re: KP Law Legal Opinion on Council Salaries

Chair reported that Sponsor hasn't replied regarding continued interest

Recording:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/2Yf2osdjQYcUpomh0ZfkPlzxugvKRDAG2iG8BnpzgOHTkYLS-uC7Bcq2XMb97rlm.GuZOSezB0sKqwIPs>

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Adjourn, 8:37pm