

Budget and Finance Committee

11/30/23 6:00 PM

Meeting Post: <https://www.cityofnewburyport.com/budget-finance/events/339441>

Roll:

B/F: Khan, Wright, Zeid

Other Members: Shand

Staff:

Agenda: (green = coming out of cmte, pink = coming out of cmte amended, yellow = staying in cmte)

Likely to discuss:

- **ORDR00512_11_27_2023 Gift Acceptance PAARI \$1,000**
 - Refer to order for information
 - **Motion to Recommend Approval - AK/MW, 3-0**

- **ORDR00513_11_27_2023 Gift Acceptance FoNT \$15,000**
 - Refer to order for information
 - **Motion to Recommend Approval MW/AK, 3-0**

- **ORDR00516_11_27_2023 Gift-Acceptance-Form-MLP-MAAF \$200,000**
 - Andy Port presented
 - Slides are available on meeting post
 - Andy went through plaque positions
 - List of items and included a map and showed some (pulled from Sasaki plans)
 - Andy Port explained that funds are contractually obligated
 - Andy Port Council recommended that funds be used for gifts
 - Culvert will need more engineering and more work
 - Culvert may need to be re-routed
 - What is coming in is short but the funds from rail will cover the difference
 - Difference is \$47k
 - Andy – those funds are only for capital improvements
 - AK – where did this come from
 - AP – this came from renderings
 - AK – are more gifts coming
 - AP – None known at this point
 - AP – Ship sculpture, we have hope for the future
 - Plaques relative to gift
 - AP – They have seen the locations and some of donations. Precise dimensions of market
 - MW – The prices make no sense
 - AP – I hear you but it is what it is
 - Jane Snow – 9 Coffin St. – Concerned for digging for toxic soil. Cost \$40k to get rid of soil
 - AK – Accept the gifts, any of these purchases will come through
 - SZ – no, don't think so
 - AK – Look across the city, this is unique.
 - AK – Need consistency for plaques
 - AK/MW, Motion to approve Consistent with plan

- SZ – suggest you get the adirondack’s outside of the plan. More efficient ways
- AP – Yes, understand.
- SZ – Amend to have condition “consistent with plan”
- AK – is this plan vetted?
- AP – Yes, same plans we have been looking at
- AK – Ok
- **Amendment is that “Funds shall be spent consistent with the plan”.**
- **SZ/MW, Motion to collectively recommend approval 516/517/518 as amended. 3-0**

• **ORDR00517_11_27_2023 Gift-Acceptance-Form-MLP-IFS \$50,000**

- See above

• **ORDR00518_11_27_2023 Gift-Acceptance-Form-MLP-NBank \$40,000**

- See above

• **ORDR00519_11_27_2023 Holiday Parking 2023**

- MW/AK, 3-0

• **ORDR00336_03_28_2022 ARPA Amesbury 250K (COTW)**

- Motion to receive file MW/AK
- AK - Will they happen?
- KD – Yes, that is still the intension. Just will start fresh
- SZ – Can’t compel but funds need to be encumbered by 12/2024
- **Motion to Recommend Collectively R/F with 336 3-0**

• **ORDR00504_10_30_2023 Local Acceptance of Community Impact Fee on Short Term Rentals**

- AK – present some information excel spreadsheet and the DLS document
- AK – Need to have 2 votes
- AK – Schedule when it starts varies
- AK – Collect 3%
- AK – This collected by DOR
- AK – Little Effort
- SZ – 35% must go to affordable
- MW – Right now money we get for short term is lumped in
- MW – How on earth do we know will be generated from this if it is lumped in
- SZ – They know but we may not know
- AK – Licensing and registration process says they must be on
- AK – We have on our own licensing
- AK – Fair point to know how much we’re talking about
- MW – See money go to PI since a lot of Plum Island
- AK – I’m ok with 50% and the other 50%
- AK – 50% for PI
- MW – Yes, I think that makes sense
- AK – Cape Code shows that makes sense
- AK – Ok to amend to show the 50%
- AK – don’t have information
- AK – Let’s in placeholders with intent, harmony on the 50% on the AHT and the other 50% on the newly formed Plum fund
- AK – 6% will still be there
- Jane Snow – 9 Coffin St. – Cart before the house. May not be a lot of money. Try it for a year. Numbers could be so low. Can you change it?
- Questions
 - Can we change the allocations (other than the 35%)
 - Can the planning office opine on the budget needed for enforcement
 - Need to edit the forum

- **AK/MW Motion to send it out as to be amended to reflect 50/50 (AHT and PI), 3-0**
- **12/6/23 - Chair Note: New orders will be filed and this is now intended to be received/filed**

• **ORDR00505_11_13_2023 Gift Acceptance Nock Tennis Courts \$21,195.00**

- KT - \$22k is not full design. Partial construction docs
- KT – CPC application being written by school department
- KT – Get the design completed
- KT – If CPA does not approve project, the money would sit in the account until full design
- KT – Add 2 courts
- KT – Around \$300k for construction.
- KT – Design around \$30 to \$35k
- MW – If funding did not come through, we can return the gift. EM
- SZ – Accept contingent upon CPC application
- Updated Information from KTurner:
 - The full design fee is estimated at \$38,750. Its true that the amount donated will not cover the full CD/bid set, so we would not enter into a contract to begin design unless we are awarded the CPC grant.
 - The number of courts that are desired are 3, not 2.
 - The early estimates for the 3 courts is \$544,000. This includes some grading work (short retaining wall) that would need to be installed to level that space. Once we have a design, value engineering will be more clear.
- **Amendment is “Gift is accepted contingent upon CPA funding approval”**
- **AK/MW – Motion to approve contingent upon CPC approval. 3-0**

• **TRAN00153_05_08_2023 Mayor: Multiple \$3,483,773 to Multiple \$3,483,773 revised 6/15/2023 (Atkinson Common Request only all other matters adjudicated)**

- See 336

Public Comment:

See above

Adjourn:

AK/MW, 7:19 pm

Recording:

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