



City of Somersworth  
City Council Meeting Agenda  
City Council Chambers  
Monday, April 18, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

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1. Roll Call of Members
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Hearing
4. Comments by Visitors
5. Consent Calendar
  - A. Approve Minutes of the Budget Presentation held on April 4, 2022
  - B. Approve Minutes of the City Council Workshop held on April 4, 2022
  - C. Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on April 4, 2022
6. Comments by City Councilors
7. Communications
  - A. Housing Presentation by Somersworth Housing Authority Executive Director, Debbie Evans and Director of Planning and Community Development, Michelle Mears
  - B. Amanda Vachon from Family Justice Center
8. Presentations of Petitions and Disposal Thereof by Reference or Otherwise
9. Mayor's Report
10. Report of Standing Committees
11. Report of Special Committees, City Officers and City Manager
12. Nominations, Appointments and Election
13. Lay on the Table
14. Unfinished Business

RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution No. 29-22** -To Amend Council Rules and Regulations Section 7, Order of Business (Referred to the Government Operations Committee on 3/21/2022)

- B. **Resolution No. 31-22** - To Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract Amendment Submitted by Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc. for Collection and Disposal of Municipal Solid Waste, Municipal Recycling, and Wastewater Treatment Sludge
- C. **Resolution No. 33-22** – To Authorize the City Manager to Contract with Wickson Construction NH, LLC of Rye, NH for the Replacement of a Culvert on Rocky Hill Road
- D. **Resolution No. 34-22** – To Authorize the City Manager to Contract with EnviroVantage of Epping, NH for the Abatement and Removal of Asbestos, PCBs, and a Fuel Oil Tank at the Former Somersworth Police Station Located at 5 Main Street

15. New Business

ORDINANCES

- A. **Ordinance No. 10-22** – Supplemental Appropriation for Additional Funding Needed for the Replacement of a Culvert on Rocky Hill Road

RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution No. 35-22** – To Authorize the City Manager to Enter into a Grant Agreement with the State of New Hampshire Department of Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management for the Purchase of Emergency Operations Center Equipment and an Emergency Backup Generator for the Fire Station
- B. **Resolution No. 36-22** – To Authorize the City Manager to Pre-Order One SUV Style Police Cruiser and One Unmarked Police Vehicle which will be Funded by a Lease Purchase Agreement as Part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget
- C. **Resolution No. 37-22** – To Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Lease Agreement Extension with Green Mountain Power of Colchester, Vermont for the Operation of a Hydroelectric Facility Currently Known as the Lower Great Falls Project

OTHER

- A. Vote to Authorize the Sale of City Surplus Property – per Administrative Code, Chapter 29, Section 8.5, Disposal of City Property

16. Comments by Visitors

17. Closing Comments by Council Members

18. Future Agenda Items

19. Nonpublic Session (as necessary, pending roll call vote by Council)

20. Adjournment

# Housing in Somersworth



# Introduction

Michelle Mears, AICP

Director of Planning and Community Development  
City of Somersworth



Deborah I. Evans

Executive Director

Somersworth Housing Authority



# Is there a Workforce Housing Law? Yes-

## **Workforce Housing**

Per NH RSA 674:58-61 (the workforce housing law), workforce housing is rental housing affordable to households making up to 60 percent of the area median income and for-sale housing affordable to households making up to 100 percent of the area median income.

Workforce housing is not subsidized.

# Affordable vs. Workforce?

Affordable Housing definition: housing is affordable when total housing costs don't exceed 30% of household income. All housing is affordable to someone using that definition and "affordable housing" often used interchangeably with both workforce and low-income (subsidized) housing.

# What does this mean in dollars?

## 2021 Purchase and Rent Limits

The area median income in the Portsmouth-Rochester HMFA is **\$106,600**

For sale housing affordable to a household earning up to 100% of the area median income – **maximum cost of \$423,000 (gross housing costs)**

For rent housing affordable to a household earning up to 60% of the area median income – **maximum cost of \$1,440 (gross housing costs)**

**These numbers are produced in April of every year... the 2022 numbers will most likely look different.**

Somersworth is part of HUD's Rochester-Portsmouth HMFA (HUD metro Fairmarket area)

# Somersworth Housing Authority Portfolio

**Albert Nadeau Homes** located on Bartlett Ave and Verona Street

- Family Development
- 56 Units (1-4 BR)

**Filion Terrace** located on Washington Street and High Street

- Elderly and persons with disabilities
- 64 (1&2 BR)

**Charpentier Apartments** located on Franklin

- Elderly and persons with disabilities development
- 49 (1 BR)



# Somersworth Housing Authority Portfolio

Housing Choice Voucher Program

- 183 Total Annual Contribution Contract Housing Choice Vouchers (Tenant Based).
- Federal Housing Assistance Payment Contract with private owners throughout Somersworth
- Funded by HUD



# Somersworth Housing Authority

## Somersworth RAD Rehab Project

1. \$31 million funded from U.S. Housing and Urban Development NHFA, Low Income Housing Tax Credit, and Bond Funding sponsored Rental Assistance Demonstration program (RAD) to renovate 169 Units



# Privately Owned/Managed Properties

**Preservation Park** located at 163, 185, and 195 Main Street

- Elderly and persons with disability 26 (1 BR units)

**Smokey Hollow Common** located at 225 Main Street

- 16 Units (2&3 BR)

**Albert Jack Labonte “Maple Street Senior Complex”** located 191 Maple Street

- 37 (1 BR)



# Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC)

- Very competitive financing program through New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority
- Permanently affordable housing- thru deed restrictions for x number of years.
- Allows for much needed renovations and/or capital improvements
- Somersworth LIHTC projects:

Queensbury Mill, Maple Street Senior Apts, Somersworth RAD



# Somersworth 2021 Residential Building Permits



There were 35 newly completed residential structures Built, added, or modified to a new unit(s):

- Single Family Homes 27
- Manufactured Homes 8
- Duplex Homes 0
- Town House units 8
- Multifamily Buildings 1
- ADU 1

**Total new living units 39**

(Manufactured Homes are replacements and are not part of the “New” living units. The Multi Family building created 3 new living units.)

# Housing in Somersworth

- Median gross rent (all units)- \$1,394 per month (2021)  
10-year increase: 50.5 % (2011-2021)
- Vacancy rate (all BR/2 BR)- 0.0% (healthy market is 5-6%)
- Median sale price (all homes): \$260,000 (2020; sample size 151)

Data Source: NH Housing

# Strafford Housing Facts

## Strafford County

Median Gross Rent \$1,356 per month

10 year increase:45% (2011-2021)

Rental Vacancy Rate <1%

Median list price is \$320,000

42% of homes for sale in Strafford County are below \$300,000

## New Hampshire

Median gross rent \$1,347 per month

Rental vacancy rate 0.75%

Median list price \$344,900

3 months of supply for all homes and 1.6 months of supply for starter homes (<\$300,000)

Data Source: NH Housing

# Somersworth Housing Stock

DESCRIPTION	# PROPERTIES	TOTAL # UNITS
ONE FAMILY	2389	2389
CONDO	124	124
MOBILE HOME	520	520
2 FAMILY	309	618
3 FAMILY	65	195
SF W APT	24	48
Multiple Houses	304	662
APT 4-8 UNIT	78	378
APTS >8 UNIT	45	775

Data Source: City of Somersworth Patriot Properties Assessing Database



# Planning Board

February 2021 the Planning Board discussed the Fidelity Committee's request

- Strategy #2 Create Affordable Housing -Increase the availability and accessibility of affordable, safe/stable housing through a combination of land use policy changes, subsidies for permanent and transitional housing development and other approaches.
- PB- the City of Somersworth has a diverse portfolio of housing opportunities and there are no known regulatory barriers to the creation of affordable housing. At this time the Planning Board has not identified any potential new rezoning efforts.
- PB consensus was that the City has enough housing stock which include a fair share of affordable housing. The Board discussed the downtown parking overlay and form-based codes and recent zoning amendments.

# Congress New Urbanism- Case Study

- Somersworth was selected as a case study community (one of four in NH) to identify zoning conditions that may create barriers which can inhibit or drive up the cost of housing development.
- On April 26, 2021 the City of Somersworth attended a Zoom meeting with New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority, Congress of New Urbanism (CNU), and consultants in regards to CNU's Project for Code Reform.
- The CNU Team is preparing a memo for the City, documenting the details of their presentation and outlining potential responses and suggested recommendations on the first steps toward the implementation of an incremental code reform process for the City.

# Somersworth Zoning Changes-Action taken

- Adopted Accessory Dwelling Unit language 2018
- Adopted Form Based Code in 2020 to allow for mixed use and higher density in downtown
- Adopted Special Parking Overlay District 2020

## Potential Next Steps to Consider:

- Finalize the discussion from 2020 to rezone a portion of the Main Street corridor currently zoned as Business that allows for residential on the first floor.
- Examine density bonuses or other inclusionary zoning tools.
- Update the ADU ordinance to allow for detached and maximum square footage based upon the size of the primary structure.
- Explore Municipal Technical Assistant Grant opportunities to consider further innovative zoning changes.
- Explore adopting Residential Property Revitalization Zones (RSA 79-E:4-b) and/or Housing Opportunity Zones (RSA 79-E:4-c)
- Strafford Regional Planning Commission will receive funds from NH Department of Business and Economic Affairs to update the Housing Needs Assessment for the entire Strafford Region scheduled for 2022; examined when completed.
- \$100M InvestNH housing fund plan which will be funded by American Relief Plan funds to create workforce housing.

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**MM2** Residential Property Revitalization Zones (79-E:4-b) and/or Housing Opportunity Zones (79-E:4-c).

It appears that both sections require a city/town to:

- adopt the new provisions by vote of its legislative body,
- designate the applicable areas in which tax relief shall apply, and
- establish criteria for the public benefits, goals, and measures that will determine eligibility [this is explicit for Residential Property Revitalization Zones, but presumably applies to some extent to Housing Opportunity Zones]

Michelle Mears, 1/26/2022

# For more information:

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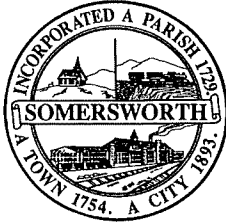


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Data from: NH Housing Finance Authority





## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 29-22

### TO AMEND COUNCIL RULES AND REGULATIONS, SECTION 7, ORDER OF BUSINESS

March 21, 2022

City Council Rules and Regulations as amended, to be further amended by adding a new Section 7.D, as follows:

- D. During any regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council, the Mayor and City Councilors are encouraged to refrain from making any comments directly related to their campaigns for reelection while sitting in the role of Mayor or Councilor. This does not pertain to any announcement regarding a decision to run or not run for reelection. Any additional reelection campaign comments could be made during the Comments by Visitors time on the agenda after temporarily recusing himself/herself from participation as Mayor or City Councilor and joining the public audience.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the Council Rules and Regulations are amended effective upon passage of this Resolution.

#### Authorization

*Sponsored by:*

Mayor Dana S. Hilliard

*Councilors:*

Donald Austin

Richard R. Michaud

*Approved:*

City Attorney

**City of Somersworth – Resolution 29-22**

**History**

First Read Date:	03-21-2022	Tabled:	
Public Hearing:		Removed From Table:	
Second Read:			

**Discussion**

3/21/2022

*Mayor Hilliard referred this Resolution to the Government Operations Committee.*

<b>Voting Record</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor	Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor	Dumont		
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Paradis		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			
On / / Resolution 29-22		<b>PASSED</b>	
		<b>FAILED</b>	





## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 31-22

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUESTED BY WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, INC. FOR COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE, MUNICIPAL RECYCLING, AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT SLUDGE**

April 4, 2022

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 35-20 which authorized the City Manager to enter into a five-year contract extension (7/1/2020-6/30/2025) with Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc. for the collection and disposal of municipal solid waste, municipal recycling, and wastewater treatment sludge; and

WHEREAS, the City has been contacted by a representative of Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc. requesting an increase of 7% for municipal solid waste and recycling and an increase of 5% for wastewater sludge due to increased costs as a result of recent economic conditions, these increases will be in addition to the scheduled annual escalators in the current agreements; and

WHEREAS, the City, in an effort to continue our positive and longstanding working relationship with Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc., is agreeable to the additional increase requested, however, will phase the increase in over a two-year period for municipal solid waste and recycling with a 3.5% increase to take effect on 7/1/2022 and an additional 3.5% increase to take effect on 7/1/2023, these increases are in addition to the scheduled annual escalators existing in the current agreement; and

WHEREAS, The City is agreeable to a one time increase for wastewater sludge of 3.5% to take effect on 7/1/2022, this increase is in addition to the scheduled annual escalators existing in the current agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to execute a contract amendment with Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc. for collection and disposal of municipal solid waste, recycling, and wastewater treatment sludge, and to take any other actions relative to this agreement determined to be in the best interest of the City.

### Authorization

*Sponsored by Councilors:*

David A. Witham  
Richard R. Michaud  
Donald Austin  
Matt Gerding

*Approved:*

City Attorney

**City of Somersworth – Resolution 31-22**

**History**

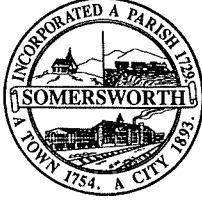
First Read Date:	04/04/2022	Tabled:	
Public Hearing:		Removed From Table:	
Second Read:			

**Discussion**

4/4/2022

*Resolution No. 31-22 will remain in first reading until call of the Chair.*

<b>Voting Record</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor	Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor	Dumont		
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Messier		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			
<b>On Resolution 31-22</b>		<b>PASSED</b>	<b>FAILED</b>



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 33-22

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH WICKSON CONSTRUCTION NH, LLC OF RYE, NH FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF A CULVERT ON ROCKY HILL ROAD**

April 4, 2022

WHEREAS, the Somersworth Capital Improvement Program for fiscal years 2021 through 2026 contains a recommendation to replace the culvert on Rocky Hill Road; and

WHEREAS, the fiscal year 2020-2021 adopted budget contains an appropriation to replace the culvert on Rocky Hill Road; and

WHEREAS, City staff requested and received proposals for this project and recommends awarding the contract to Wickson Construction NH, LLC of Rye, NH for a cost not to exceed \$396,995 (Three Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five dollars); and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has reviewed the recommendation with City staff and supports the recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Environment Committee has reviewed the recommendation with City staff and supports the recommendation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to contract with Wickson Construction NH, LLC of Rye, NH to replace the culvert for an amount not to exceed \$396,995 (Three Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five dollars) and to take any actions relative to this project determined to be in the best interest of the City.

### Authorization

*Sponsored by Councilors:*

David A. Witham  
Donald Austin  
Richard R. Michaud  
Martin Pepin  
Matt Gerding  
Kenneth S. Vincent

*Approved:*  
City Attorney

**City of Somersworth – Resolution 33-22**

**History**

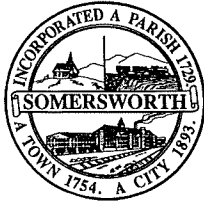
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Second Read:			

**Discussion**

04/04/2022

*Resolution No. 33-22 will remain in first reading until call of the Chair.*

<b>Voting Record</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor	Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor	Dumont		
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Messier		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			
<b>On Resolution 33-22</b>		<b>PASSED</b>	<b>FAILED</b>



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 34-22

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH ENVIROVANTAGE OF EPPING, NH FOR THE ABATEMENT AND REMOVAL OF ASBESTOS, PCBS, AND A FUEL OIL TANK AT THE FORMER SOMERSWORTH POLICE STATION LOCATED AT 5 MAIN STREET**

April 4, 2022

WHEREAS, the Somersworth City Council adopted Resolution 22-21 authorizing the City Manager to enter into a grant agreement with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services to accept a cleanup grant award for the former Somersworth Police Station located at 5 Main Street; and

WHEREAS, the City's consultant engineer for the project solicited proposals from qualified contractors for the abatement and removal of asbestos, PCBs, and a fuel oil tank; and

WHEREAS, the City's consultant engineer for the project reviewed the proposals received and recommends awarding the contract to EnviroVantage of Epping, NH for an amount of \$123,895 (One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Five dollars);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to contract with EnviroVantage of Epping, NH for an amount of \$123,895 (One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Five dollars) for the abatement and removal of asbestos, PCBs, and a fuel oil tank at the former Somersworth Police Station located at 5 Main Street and to take any other action relative to this project determined to be in the best interest of the City.

### Authorization

*Sponsored by:*  
Mayor Dana S. Hilliard  
*Councilors:*  
Martin Pepin  
Donald Austin  
Richard R. Michaud  
David A. Witham  
Matt Gerding  
Nancie Cameron  
Denis Messier  
Martin P. Dumont, Sr.

*Approved:*  
City Attorney

**City of Somersworth – Resolution 34-22**

**History**

First Read Date:	04/04/2022	Tabled:	
Public Hearing:		Removed From Table:	
Second Read:			

**Discussion**

4/4/2022

*Resolution No. 34-22 will remain in first reading until call of the Chair.*

<b>Voting Record</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor	Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor	Dumont		
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Messier		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			
On	Resolution 34-22	<b>PASSED</b>	<b>FAILED</b>



## City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: **10-22**

### **SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING NEEDED FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF A CULVERT ON ROCKY HILL ROAD**

April 18, 2022

THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH ORDAINS THAT pursuant to Section 7.7(A) of the City Charter: The annual budget for the City of Somersworth for Fiscal Year 21-22 is amended as follows:

Appropriate \$222,863 (Two Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Three dollars) from the Cable Fund to the Capital Outlay Section of the General Fund (G/F) budget, and

Appropriate \$65,795 (Sixty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Five dollars) from the Water Fund budget, and

Appropriate \$9,405 (Nine Thousand Four Hundred Five dollars) from the Sewer Fund budget as follows:

<u>G/F Capital Outlay Budget</u> \$ 155,635	<u>Amendment</u> \$ 222,863	<u>Revised G/F Capital Outlay</u> \$ 378,498
<u>Water Fund Original Budget</u> \$ 2,398,316	<u>Amendment</u> \$ 65,795	<u>Revised Water Fund Budget</u> \$ 2,464,111
<u>Sewer Fund Original Budget</u> \$ 2,531,410	<u>Amendment</u> \$ 9,405	<u>Revised Sewer Fund Budget</u> \$ 2,540,815

Approved as to Funding:  
Scott A. Smith  
Director of Finance and Administration

Recorded by:  
Jonathan Slaven  
City Clerk

#### Background:

This ordinance appropriates additional funding to replace a culvert and portions of a water and sewer main on Rocky Hill Road adjacent to Winter Street.

***This Ordinance requires a public hearing and requires a 2/3 majority vote of the City Council after the public hearing subject to Section 7.4.1 and Section 7.7 (A) of the City Charter.***

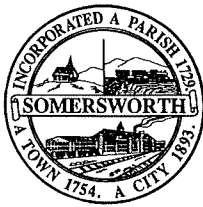
#### Authorization

##### *Sponsored by Councilors:*

David A. Witham  
Donald Austin  
Matt Gerding

##### *Approved:*

City Attorney



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **35-22**

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY, HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER EQUIPMENT AND AN EMERGENCY BACKUP GENERATOR FOR THE FIRE STATION**

April 18, 2022

WHEREAS, the City of Somersworth has applied for an Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) through the NH Department of Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and

WHEREAS, the City of Somersworth has received notification of an EMPG Grant Award in the amount of \$125,000; and

WHEREAS, the Grant will allow the City of Somersworth to purchase and install equipment in the Community's new Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and an emergency backup generator associated with the construction of the new Fire Station, and

WHEREAS, the grant allows the City to use the cost of the new Fire Station as the City's match toward the grant funding;

### EXPLANATION OF TOTAL PROJECT GRANT BREAKDOWN:

NH HSEM grant	=	\$125,000
City Soft Match	=	<u>\$125,000</u>
Total Project Award	=	\$250,000

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH ACCEPTS THE TERMS OF THE EMPG, AND FURTHERMORE, THAT the City Manager is authorized to execute any documents and agreements necessary for the grant's execution, and take any and all other such actions relative to this grant determined to be in the best interest of the City.

### Authorization

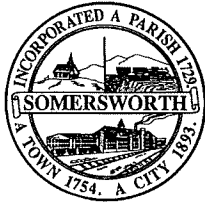
*Sponsored by Councilors:*

David A. Witham  
Donald Austin  
Matt Gerding

*Approved:*

City Attorney





## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 36 -22

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO PRE-ORDER ONE SUV STYLE POLICE CRUISER AND ONE UNMARKED POLICE VEHICLE WHICH WILL BE FUNDED BY A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT AS PART OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET**

April 18, 2022

WHEREAS the City of Somersworth’s Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) proposes a replacement schedule for police cruisers and police unmarked vehicles to maintain fleet integrity and reduce maintenance costs, and

WHEREAS the Somersworth City Council has an established goal whereby they may review and approve a priority list of CIP items earlier than the actual Fiscal Year Budget approval process is complete and/or the next fiscal year has started in order to allow for timely ordering,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to order one new “SUV” style police cruiser and one new unmarked police vehicle which will be funded as part of the fiscal year 2023 budget through a lease purchase agreement.

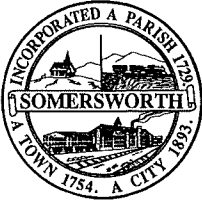
### Authorization

*Sponsored by Councilors:*

David A. Witham  
Donald Austin  
Matt Gerding

*Approved:*

City Attorney

	<b>City of Somersworth – Resolution</b>
	Resolution No: <b>37-22</b>  <b>TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT EXTENSION WITH GREEN MOUNTAIN POWER OF COLCHESTER, VERMONT FOR THE OPERATION OF A HYDROELECTRIC FACILITY CURRENTLY KNOWN AS THE LOWER GREAT FALLS PROJECT</b>

April 18, 2022

WHEREAS, the City of Somersworth and Green Mountain Power of Colchester, Vermont, as successor in interest, are parties to a certain lease agreement dated April 21, 1981, for the use of certain real estate property for the development, construction, and operation of a hydroelectric facility that is currently known as the Lower Great Falls Project, which expires at midnight on April 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City and Green Mountain Power, as co-applicants, are seeking a successor license for the facility from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) which is likely to endure past the expiration date of the current FERC license and agreement term; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to extend the term of the agreement in order to obtain a successor license for the facility from FERC;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to execute a one-year lease agreement extension with Green Mountain Power of Colchester, Vermont for the operation of a hydroelectric facility that is currently known as the Lower Great Falls Project, and to take any other actions relative to this agreement determined to be in the best interest of the City.

<b>Authorization</b>	
<i>Sponsored by:</i> Mayor Dana S. Hilliard  <i>Councilor:</i> Richard R. Michaud	<i>Approved:</i> City Attorney