

City of Somersworth City Council Meeting Agenda City Council Chambers Monday, July 19, 2021 7:00 p.m.

- Roll Call of Members
- Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Public Hearing
 - A. Ordinance No. 1-22 Supplemental Appropriation for the New Fire Station Building Project on Maple Street
 - B. Resolution No. 1-22 Vote to Authorize an Increase in the Bond to Construct a New Fire Station at the Location of the Current Fire Station on Maple Street
- 4. Comments by Visitors
- 5. Consent Calendar
 - A. Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on June 21, 2021
 - B. Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on July 12, 2021
- 6. Comments by City Councilors
- 7. Communications
 - A. Letter from Iwan Freddy Hari Susanto, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia, to Mayor Hilliard
 - B. Letter from Paula Tsiorbas to Mayor Hilliard and City Council
 - C. Letter from Isaac Moore to Mayor Hilliard and City Council
- 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 Elections

13. Lay on the Table

ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 1-22 – Supplemental Appropriation for the New Fire Station Building Project on Maple Street

RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution No. 1-22 –** Vote to Authorize an Increase in the Bond to Construct a New Fire Station at the Location of the Current Fire Station on Maple Street
- 14. Unfinished Business

ORDINANCES

- A. Ordinance No. 20-21 To Amend Chapter 34, Exemptions and Credits, Section 34.1 Elderly Property Tax Exemption (Referred to Finance Committee 6/21/2021)
- 15. New Business

ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 2-22 – To Amend Chapter 12, Streets and Sidewalks

RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution No. 2-22 Authorizing the City Manager to Sign a Lease/Purchase agreement for the Purchase of a Fire Pumper Apparatus
- B. Resolution No. 3-22 To Authorize the City Manager to Contract with Allegiance Fire and Rescue for the Purchase of a Pierce Enforcer Rescue Pumper which will be Funded by a Lease Purchase Agreement
- C. Resolution No. 4-22 City Council Vote to Continue a Payment In Lieu Of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement with the Somersworth Housing Authority

OTHER

- A. Vote to Accept or Reject the Traffic Safety Committee's Recommendation to Remove the Blinking Traffic Light at the Intersection of Indigo Hill Road and Green Street
- B. Vote to Accept or Reject the Traffic Safety Committee's Recommendation to Deny the Request to Allow On-Street Dining at 69 High Street Teatotaller

- C. Vote to Authorize the City Manager to Take the Following Action in Response to the US EPA Requests Concerning the Somersworth Sanitary Landfill Superfund Site:
 - i.) to Sign & Record the First Amendment to Notice of Activity and Use Restrictions
 - ii.) to Take Any and All Necessary Action to Secure Somersworth Planning Board Approval of a Boundary Line Adjustment to the Common Property Line of the Superfund Site and Other City Owned Property Adjacent to the Superfund site
 - iii.) to Sign and Accept an Easement and Restrictive Covenant Agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire and Record the Applicable Easement Plan
- 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



EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

2020 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

Washington, D.C., May 314, 2021

The Honorable Dana S. Hilliard Mayor of Somersworth Somersworth, New Hampshire

Down mayor tilliand,

First of all, I would like to personally thank you and all of your team for the warm and gracious hospitality extended to my team and I during our recent visit to the City of Somersworth. I have enjoyed very much visiting your beautiful city, which in my personal view resembles the homey and welcoming feelings, the same way I always feel whenever I visit my hometown in Indonesia. The visit has also further enriched my understanding on the reason why the City of Somersworth is now the home of more than proud 2,000 Indonesian diaspora.

I also wish to reiterate my huge congratulations to the City of Somersworth for the grand launching of the Little Indonesia Cultural Center as the first step in realizing the Little Indonesia dream in Somersworth, which would be the first of its kind in the United States. Such a milestone would not have been made possible without the long-standing commitment and strong support from you and all the people of the Hilltop City. Aside from being a beacon of the good friendship between our two countries, the project will forever be a testament that there is a part of Indonesia in the heart of the people of America, and there is a part of America in the heart of the people of Indonesia.

I strongly believe that the Little Indonesia Project will not only benefit the Indonesian Community, but it will also serve as a bridge that connects and further strengthens the bond of the Hilltoppers Big Family. Rest assured that the Embassy of Indonesia in Washington, D.C. and the Consulate General of Indonesia in New York will always stand ready to support further realizations of such a noble dream. On this note, my team and I are looking forward to welcoming you and your team in Washington, D.C. to more comprehensively discuss such future potential joint-efforts.

Lastly, allow me to convey my utmost appreciation to you and the people of Somersworth for believing and embracing the Indonesian community as inseparable and valuable members of your big family. I hope that you can continue your pivotal role as a long-time supporter of and guardian for the Indonesian community in the City of Somersworth and the State of New Hampshire.

Kindly accept the assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

Iwan Freddy Hari Susanto

Charge d'Affaires/Deputy Chief of Mission



From: Paula Tsiorbas <<u>ptsiorbas@aol.com</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2021 4:12 PM

To: Jonathan T. Slaven < islaven@somersworth.com >

Subject: Chapter 12 Modifications

Dear Mayor Hillard and City Councilors,

My name is Paula Tsiorbas, I am the owner of The Cozy Nest located in downtown Somersworth. I am writing you today in support of the Chapter 12 modifications, also known as the Outdoor Features ordinance, before you today.

The proposed modifications provide a process for businesses owners like me to provide important outdoor features such as planters, sales racks, and outdoor dining. These elements are not only important to support beautification, but they also encourage the activation of public sidewalks and strengthen small businesses like mine.

I follow several Facebook pages relating to Somersworth. The (un)official page of Somersworth, in particular, has been quite vocal about how the downtown needs to be spruced up as well as the lack of activities and community involvement. This very basic step would be a great beginning to addressing these complaints by Somersworth citizens.

I ask that you vote to adopt the proposed language to support local businesses and encourage the continued beautification of Somersworth.

Sincerely,

Paula Tsiorbas

Brenda Breda

From: Jonathan T. Slaven

Sent: Tuesday, July 13, 2021 8:45 AM **To:** Bob Belmore; Dana S. Hilliard

Cc: Brenda Breda; Ammy Ramsey; Ammy Ramsey; Scott A. Smith

Subject: FW: Outdoor Features Ordinance - Please Adopt Proposed Chapter 12 modifications

Good morning,

I received the below correspondence yesterday evening. Please advise if you would like me to add this under 'Communications'.

Jonathan Slaven

City Clerk

City of Somersworth One Government Way Somersworth, NH 03878

603-692-9511 jslaven@somersworth.com www.Somersworth.com



From: Isaac Moore <i.moore106@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, July 12, 2021 5:01 PM

To: Jonathan T. Slaven < jslaven@somersworth.com>

Subject: Outdoor Features Ordinance - Please Adopt Proposed Chapter 12 modifications

Dear Mayor Hillard and City Councilors,

My name is Isaac Moore, I am a Somersworth resident and one of the leaders at New Frontiers Church, which meets at the Hall at Great Falls each Sunday at 10:00 am. I am writing to you today in support of the Chapter 12 modifications, also known as the Outdoor Features ordinance.

The proposed modifications will provide a process for businesses and property owners to provide important outdoor features such as planters, sales racks, and outdoor dining. I believe these elements will help to create a stronger draw to downtown Somerworth and encourage greater use of the public sidewalks. This, in turn, will help to strengthen small businesses as well as support community development in and around the downtown area.

I ask that you vote to adopt the proposed language to support local businesses and encourage the continued beautification of Somersworth.

Sincerely,

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City of Somersworth - Ordinance

Ordinance No:

1-22

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE NEW FIRE STATION BUILDING PROJECT ON MAPLE STREET

July 12, 2021

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 \$840,000 (Eight Hundred Forty Thousand dollars), with \$240,000 (Two Hundred Forty Thousand dollars) coming from the General Fund unassigned fund balance and \$600,000 (Six Hundred Thousand dollars) coming from funding provided by the Federal American Rescue Plan Act, to the Transfer to Other Capital Funds section of the General Fund Budget as follows:

Original Budget

Amendment

Revised Budget \$ 963,581

\$ 123,581

\$ 840,000

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Approved as to Funding:

Recorded by:

Scott A. Smith

Jonathan Slaven

Director of Finance and Administration

City Clerk

Background:

This Ordinance appropriates funding for the Fire Station Building project. The \$240,000 (Two Hundred Forty Thousand dollars) used from the General Fund unassigned fund balance equals the amount of potential grant funds that have been applied for specific equipment and improvements for the project. Should the City receive the grant funding or a portion thereof, the amount received will be returned to the General Fund. Unassigned fund balance will remain within the City's Fund Balance Policy after this use for this project.

The use of \$600,000 (Six Hundred Thousand dollars) of funding from the American Rescue Plan Act is directed to be used specifically for the ventilation improvements as part of this project so that the system is able to mitigate COVID health concerns as well as any other variant health ventilation related prevention needs.

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.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Authorization	Mark are the area of the second and	_
Sponsored by: David A. Witham Martin Pepin	Approved: City Attorney	

City of Somersworth – Ordinance 1-22

History			
First Read Date:	07/12/2021	Tabled:	07/12/2021
Public Hearing:	07/19/2021	Removed From T	able:
Second Read:	07/12/2021		

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07/12/2021

Councilor Witham made a motion to suspend Council rules to allow for a second reading of Ordinance No. 1-22. The motion was seconded by Councilor Pepin and passed 7-0 by roll call vote. Deputy Clerk Ramsey performed a second reading of Ordinance No. 1-22 by title only.

Councilor Whitham made a motion to table Ordinance No. 1-22. The motion was seconded by Councilor Austin and passed 7-1. Councilor Dumont voted no.

Voting Record		YES	NO
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor	Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor	Dumont		
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham	0 830	
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Paradis		
	TOTAL VOTES:		
On	Ordinance 1-22	PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No:

1-22

VOTE TO AUTHORIZE AN INCREASE IN THE BOND TO CONSTRUCT A NEW FIRE STATION AT THE LOCATION OF THE CURRENT FIRE STATION ON MAPLE STREET

July 12, 2021

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 50-20 to authorize a bond in the amount of \$7,700,000 (Seven Million Seven Hundred Thousand dollars) under the Municipal Finance Act and issue bonds and notes payable within 25 years from their dates; and

WHEREAS, the City has received the Guaranteed Maximum Price required to build the Fire Station and that amount is \$9,000,000 (Nine Million dollars); and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to increase the bond authorization by \$460,000 (Four Hundred Sixty Thousand dollars) to a total bond authorization of \$8,160,000 (Eight Million One Hundred Sixty Thousand dollars) and make such bonds payable within 30 years from their dates; and

WHEREAS, the project costs include architecture, engineering, construction, and any other ancillary costs associated with the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the bond authorization to build a new Fire Station on Maple Street is increased by \$460,000 (Four Hundred Sixty Thousand dollars) to an amount not to exceed \$8,160,000 (Eight Million One Hundred Sixty Thousand dollars); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

- (a.) the City Manager is authorized to borrow up to \$8,160,000 (Eight Million One Hundred Sixty Thousand dollars) total for the project, with \$7,700,000 (Seven Million Seven Hundred Thousand dollars) previously authorized under Resolution 50-20 and with \$460,000 (Four Hundred Sixty Thousand dollars) hereby authorized under the Municipal Finance Act and issue bonds and notes payable within 30 years from their dates, and
- (b.) the City Manager is authorized to issue temporary notes in anticipation of the issue of these bonds or notes, and
- (c.) the City Manager is authorized to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project, and
- (d.) the estimated useful life of this project is expected to exceed 30 years.

This Resolution requires a public hearing and requires a 2/3 majority vote of the City Council after the public hearing subject to Section 7.12 and Section 7.13 of the City Charter.

Authorization		
Sponsored by Councilor: David A. Witham Martin Pepin	52 2	Approved: City Attorney

City of Somersworth – Resolution 1-22					
History					
First Read Date:	07/12/2021	Tabled:	07/12/2021		
Public Hearing:	07/19/2021	Removed from Table:			
Second Read:	07/12/2021				

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07/12/2021

Councilor Pepin made a motion to suspend Council rules to allow for a second reading of Resolution No. 1-22. The motion was seconded by Councilor Whitham and passed 8-0 by roll call vote. Deputy Clerk Ramsey performed a second reading of Resolution No. 1-22 by title only.

Councilor Whitham made a motion to suspend Council rules to allow inquiries from Finance Director Smith and the City's consultants. The motion was seconded by Councilor Dumont and passed 8-0.

Councilor Whitham made a motion to table Resolution No. 1-22. The motion was seconded by Councilor Dumont and passed 8-0.

	YES	NO
Pepin		
Vincent		
Dumont		
Austin		
Michaud		
Witham		
Gerding		
Cameron		
Paradis		
TOTAL VOTES:		
Resolution 1-22	PASSED	FAILED
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City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No:

20-21

TO AMEND CHAPTER 34, EXEMPTIONS AND CREDITS, SECTION 34.1 ELDERLY PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

June 7, 2021

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the Ordinances of the City of Somersworth as amended, be further amended as follows:

Delete section 34.1 A in its entirety and delete section 34.1 B 2, and replace with the following;

Section 34.1 Elderly Property Tax Exemption

A. Amount of Exemption

The elderly exemptions from property tax in the City of Somersworth, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, are as follows, effective April 1, 2022.

- 1. For a person 65 years of age up to 74 years, Sixty-Five Thousand (\$65,000) Dollars.
- 2. For a person 75 years of age up to 79 years, Eighty Thousand (\$80,000) Dollars.
- 3. For a person 80 years of age or older, Ninety Thousand (\$90,000) Dollars.;

And

B. Qualifications

2. The taxpayer must have a net income of not more than Thirty-Five Thousand, (\$35,000) Dollars or, if married, a combined net income of less than Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Authorization	
Sponsored by:	Approved:
David A. Witham Richard Michaud Donald Austin Nancie Cameron Matt Gerding Martin Dumont, Sr.	City Attorney

City of Somersworth - Ordinance 20-21

History					
First Read Date:	06/07/2021	Tabled:			
Public Hearing:		Removed From Table:			
Second Read:	06/21/2021				

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Ordinance No. 20-21 will remain in first read until the call of the Chair. Public Hearing scheduled at the call of the Chair.

06/21/2021

Councilor Witham made a motion to refer Ordinance No. 20-21 to the Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilor Vincent and passed 9-0.

Voting Record		YES	NO
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor	Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor	Dumont		- market
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Paradis		
	TOTAL VOTES:		
On	Ordinance 20-21	PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth - Ordinance

Ordinance No:

2-22

TO AMEND CHAPTER 12, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

July 19, 2021

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the Ordinances of the City of Somersworth as amended, be further amended as follows:

Amend Chapter 12 by adding Sections 12.8 & 12.9 as follows:

Section 12.8 – Outdoor Dining and Sidewalk Sales

PERMIT REQUIRED: A business owner shall obtain a permit to encumber the sidewalk from the Director of Public Works and Utilities, or their designee, to: 1) operate an outdoor seating area on a sidewalk, or on-street parking spaces, for service and consumption of food or drink prepared on premises; or 2) operate a sidewalk sale area for selling other goods subject to the following requirements:

1) The permit Applicant shall:

- a. Provide a Certificate of Insurance naming the City of Somersworth as additional insured. The terms of the Certificate of Insurance shall be in a form and amount acceptable by the City.
- b. Agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Somersworth, New Hampshire from all claims for damage or injury whatsoever, that may arise from the encumbrance, obstruction, occupation, or use of the aforesaid sidewalk.
- 2) The building in which the licensed business operates must share a common boundary with a sidewalk. Sidewalk encumbrances shall allow a minimum four (4) foot-wide unobstructed pedestrian corridor at all times, and at least five (5) feet wide when located along a street corner. Wider pedestrian corridors or increased clearances may be required where warranted by pedestrian traffic or other circumstances, at the discretion of the Director of Public Works and Utilities, or their designee.
- 3) Public on-street parking space(s) encumbrances must provide an accessible path of travel to the area from abutting sidewalks. Such expansions must occupy the area directly in front of the proposed business and may request to expand to be in front of the adjacent properties with abutting property owner and/or business permission.
- 4) Egress from the building must be maintained free of obstruction per the Building Code, NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, and any other applicable Local, State, or Federal Regulations, as amended.
- 5) Permits may only allow encumbrances between April 15 to November 15, and as weather conditions allow.
- 6) The Director of Public Works and Utilities, or their designee, may establish additional permit conditions to protect the City, public safety, and the continued use of the sidewalk by the public.

- 7) The Director of Public Works and Utilities, or their designee, has the authority to deny, revoke, or suspend the permit at his/her discretion at any time for any reason, including but not limited to violating the permit conditions, safety considerations, or due to planned or unplanned City projects, events, or activities.
- 8) The encumbered area must not block access to public street furniture, trash receptacles, street signage, fire hydrants, or other public infrastructure.
- 9) The encumbered area and any furniture or features within the area must be kept in a clean, safe, and sanitary condition, and all trash shall be properly disposed.
- 10) Canopies over any sidewalk café shall not be allowed unless they are completely supported by hardware on the building structure, that is, there shall be no vertical supports in or around the sidewalk café; table umbrellas without logos are allowed but must not extend beyond the Area.
- 11) No improvements or personal property located within the Area shall extend on or over any municipal property located outside the Area.
- 12) No advertising of any kind shall be allowed in the Area.
- 13) All outdoor dining areas where alcohol service is provided shall comply with the following requirements:
 - Outdoor dining establishments shall agree at all times to comply with all laws, rules and regulations of the New Hampshire State Liquor Commission and all other local, state and federal laws.
 - Be separated from the public pedestrian space on the adjacent municipal sidewalk by an enclosure system consisting of heavy-duty decorative materials as approved by the City Manager or designee; special attention shall be paid to the method used to support the enclosure system in order to avoid damage to public property and ensure public safety.
 - The minimum height of the enclosure system shall be 30 inches and the maximum height shall be 36 inches.

The enclosure system, tables and chairs shall be movable/non-permanent.

Permits issued under this section may be revoked at any time by the City for failure to comply with the approved permit, or to deal with emergencies, maintenance of infrastructure, public safety, or any other reason determined to be in the best interest of the City.

Section 12.9 - Decorative Sidewalk Landscaping

PERMIT REQUIRED: A business owner shall obtain a permit to encumber the sidewalk from the Director of Public Works and Utilities, or their designee, to display decorative landscaping features in front of their business within the City right-of-way. The permit shall specify the area, use, and arrangement of any features or furniture within the encumbered area, and is subject to the following requirements;

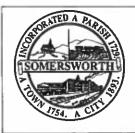
- 1) The program is active April 15 to November 15 each year.
- 2) Decorative sidewalk landscaping may be placed within 5 feet to either or both side(s) of your front door entrance.

- 3) Landscaping features shall allow a minimum four (4) foot wide unobstructed pedestrian corridor at all times, and at least five (5) feet wide when located along a street corner. Wider pedestrian corridors or increased clearances may be required where warranted by pedestrian traffic or other circumstances, at the discretion of the Director of Public Works and Utilities, or their designee.
- 4) Landscaping features should sit directly on the sidewalk, and be no larger than 3 feet long by 3 feet wide by 42 inches (3.5 feet) tall.
- 5) Landscaping features shall not be directly attached to (e.g., bolts, nails, screws) or damage the underlying sidewalk in any way.
- 6) No unmaintained features, or dead flowers, will be allowed.
- 7) Damaged flowers and/or containers must be removed immediately.
- 8) The applicant is responsible for cleaning/repairing any damage or staining to the sidewalks. The permit must be renewed each year. New applications and renewals are reviewed on an annual basis and should be submitted to the City no later than March 15 of each year. Permits are valid from April 15 to November 15 as conditions allow.

Permits issued under this section may be revoked at any time by the City for failure to comply with the approved permit, or to deal with emergencies, maintenance of infrastructure, public safety, or any other reason determined to be in the best interest of the City.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Authorization		
Sponsored by Councilor:	Approved:	
Crystal Paradis	City Attorney	



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No:

2-22

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A LEASE/PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FIRE PUMPER APPARATUS

July 19, 2021

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Adopted Budget contains an appropriation for a down payment toward the purchase of a Fire Pumper Apparatus; and

WHERAS, City staff solicited quotes for financing this purchase through a lease/purchase agreement and recommends entering into an agreement with BciCapital; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee for the City of Somersworth reviewed this 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 enter into a seven-year lease/purchase agreement with BciCapital for the acquisition of a Fire Pumper Apparatus.

Authorization		
Sponsored by Councilors:	Approved:	
David A. Witham Donald Austin Martin Dumont, Sr. Martin Pepin	City Attorney	

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City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No:

3-22

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH ALLEGIANCE FIRE AND RESCUE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PIERCE ENFORCER RESCUE PUMPER WHICH WILL BE FUNDED BY A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

July 19, 2021

WHEREAS, the City of Somersworth's approved FY2020-2021 budget provides funding through a lease purchase agreement for the purchase of a Fire Rescue Pumper; and

WHEREAS, City staff solicited proposals for the purchase of a Fire Rescue Pumper and recommends awarding the contract to Allegiance Fire and Rescue for a Pierce Enforcer Rescue Pumper for a cost of \$736,782 (Seven Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Two dollars); and

WHEREAS, Allegiance Fire and Rescue included in their proposal an option to remit a prepayment for the Rescue Pumper within 15 (fifteen) days of a fully executed contract and reduce the cost to \$714,058 (Seven Hundred Fourteen Thousand Fifty-Eight dollars), which the City may consider; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has reviewed the recommendation to award the contract to Allegiance Fire and Rescue with 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 contract with Allegiance Fire and Rescue for a Pierce Enforcer Rescue Pumper for a cost not to exceed \$736,782 (Seven Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Two dollars) which will be funded through a lease purchase agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH that the City Manager is authorized to consider the option to remit a prepayment for the Rescue Pumper in the amount of \$714,058 (Seven Hundred Fourteen Thousand Fifty-Eight dollars), which will be funded through a lease purchase agreement, and is authorized to exercise this option if it is determined to be in the best interest of the City.

Authorization		
Sponsored by Councilors:	Approved:	
David A. Witham Donald Austin Martin P. Dumont, Sr. Martin Pepin	City Attorney	

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City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No:

CITY COUNCIL VOTE TO CONTINUE A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILOT) AGREEMENT WITH THE SOMERSWORTH HOUSING AUTHORITY

July 19, 2021

4-22

WHEREAS, the Somersworth Housing Authority (SHA) is a public Housing Authority created under RSA 203 to provide permanent housing for low-income Somersworth residents; and

WHEREAS, the SHA owned and operated property located on Bartlett Avenue, Franklin Street, and Washington Street consisting of a total of 169 apartments; and

WHEREAS, a new federal program known as the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) allows Housing Authorities to modernize and renovate apartments using funding sources in the private sector; and

WHEREAS, the SHA intends to utilize the RAD program to modernize and renovate the 169 apartments located on Bartlett Avenue, Franklin Street, and Washington Street, and in doing so has transferred ownership of these properties to a new entity in the form of a Partnership formed by the SHA; and

WHEREAS, the SHA will maintain day-to-day control of the Partnership and the project and will be entitled to exercise its rights under the right of first refusal to obtain full direct ownership of the RAD project after a 15-year compliance period; and

WHEREAS, the SHA has made a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) payment to the City of Somersworth for over 40 years as part of a PILOT agreement dated April 9, 1980; and

WHEREAS, the City and the SHA, or related entity, wish to leave in place the PILOT agreement dated April 9, 1980, whereby the continuation of this tax arrangement will assure continuation of low-income housing for Somersworth residents in safe and sanitary housing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City and the Somersworth Housing Authority, or related entity, shall continue the payment in-lieu of taxes agreement dated April 9, 1980.

Authorization	
Sponsored by Councilors:	Approved:
David A. Witham Donald Austin Martin P. Dumont, Sr. Martin Pepin	City Attorney