

City of Somersworth  
City Council Meeting Agenda  
City Council Chambers  
Tuesday, June 20, 2023  
7:00 p.m.

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1. Roll Call of Members
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Recognition of Indigenous People – Our Native Ancestral Americans
  - This meeting takes place on N'Dakinna (n-DA-ki-na), which is the unceded traditional ancestral homeland of the Abenaki (a-BEN-a-ki), Pennacook and Wabanaki Peoples past and present. We acknowledge and honor with gratitude the land, waterways, living beings and the Aln8bak (Al-nuh-bak), the people who have stewarded N'dakinna throughout the generations.
4. Public Hearing
  - A. **Ordinance 23-23** – Transfer Between Departments
5. Comments by Visitors
6. Consent Calendar
  - A. Approve Minutes of the City Council Nonpublic Session held on June 5, 2023
  - B. Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on June 5, 2023
7. Comments by City Councilors
8. Communications
9. Presentations of Petitions and Disposal Thereof by Reference or Otherwise
10. Mayor's Report
11. Report of Standing Committees
12. Report of Special Committees, City Officers and City Manager
13. Nominations, Appointments and Election

Mayoral Appointment not Requiring a Council Vote:

- A. Rebecca England, Mayoral appointment to the Somersworth Housing Authority Board of Commissioners with a term to expire June 2028

Nominations Being Introduced for a Council Confirmation Vote:

- B. Doug Haberman, for appointment as an alternate member to the Planning Board with a term to expire June 2026

14. Lay on the Table

15. Unfinished Business

ORDINANCES

A. **Ordinance 23-23** – Transfer Between Departments

RESOLUTIONS

A. **Resolution 46-23** – To Establish a Mental Health and Wellness Committee

B. **Resolution 47-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Lease Agreement Extension with the Pall Corporation of Port Washington, New York to Lease Building Space at the Somersworth Water Treatment Facility

C. **Resolution 48-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to Execute Agreements with Ameresco, Inc. of Framingham, Massachusetts, Operating as Blackwater Road Solar, LLC., to Develop a Solar Project Pursuant to RSA 362-A on the Closed Somersworth Sanitary Landfill Superfund Site on Blackwater Road

D. **Resolution 49-23** – Naming Storage Drive and Assigning Addresses, if Required

E. **Resolution 50-23** – Annual Flag Pole Displays at Citizen’s Place

16. New Business

ORDINANCES

A. **Ordinance 24-23** – To Amend Chapter 29, Administrative Code, Section 29.8.5, Disposal of City Property

RESOLUTIONS

A. **Resolution 52-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to Sign an Application for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to Upgrade the Parking Lot, Install Air Conditioning, New Windows, New Playgrounds, Upgrade Classrooms, and Make Certain Building Structure Improvements at the Somersworth Early Learning Center

B. **Resolution 53-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to Enter into a Purchase and Sales Agreement with the Hawkins Family Revocable Trust to Sell the Former Somersworth Police Station Site Located at 5 Main Street

C. **Resolution 54-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to Enter into a Purchase and Sales Agreement with Chinburg Builders to Sell the Former National Guard Readiness Center Located on Blackwater Road

OTHER

- A. Approve Amendments to the City Manager's Employment Agreement
- B. Vote to Authorize the City's Application to the NH Division of Historical Resources for inclusion of the former Somersworth Municipal Building at 157 Main Street onto the State of NH Registry of Historic Places

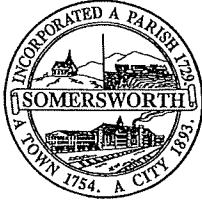
17. Comments by Visitors

18. Closing Comments by Council Members

19. Future Agenda Items

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

21. Adjournment



## City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: 23-23

### TRANSFER BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS

June 5, 2023

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH, pursuant to Section 7.7 (D) of the City Charter, that the following General Fund unencumbered balance transfer be made:

<u>DEPARTMENTS</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
ELECTED LEADERSHIP		
CITY MANAGEMENT		
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION		
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES		
POLICE	200,000	
FIRE		200,000
PUBLIC WORKS		
OTHER EXPENSES ( <i>CONTINGENCY</i> )		
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
INTERGOVT ASSESSMENTS-COUNTY TAX		
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT		
	_____	_____
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	200,000	200,000

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

Authorization	
<i>Sponsored by Councilors:</i> David A. Witham Don Austin Matt Gerding Robert Gibson	<i>Approved:</i> City Attorney

City of Somersworth – Ordinance 23-23

**History**

First Read Date:	6/5/2023	Tabled:	
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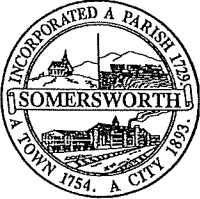
**Discussion**

6/5/2023

*Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Ordinance 23-23.*

*Ordinance 23-23 will remain in first reading until the 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	Gibson		
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	Ordinance 23-23	PASSED	FAILED



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 46-23

### TO ESTABLISH A MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE

June 5, 2023

WHEREAS, there is a need to foster, promote and support mental health and wellness services and opportunities within the City; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council supports the ongoing education of, and outreach to, all City and School employees, students, and citizens of Somersworth to further efforts of wellness and recovery outreach; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Mental Health and Wellness Committee will be to provide an ongoing focus, and to examine, study and implement systems that support mental health, wellness and recovery opportunities within the City that foster community-wide coalitions to aid in the education, outreach and these service goals; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health and Wellness Committee may recommend changes to policies in support of its mission to provide education and outreach to the Community; and

WHEREAS, the City will establish a Mental Health and Wellness Committee consisting of eleven (11) members, said membership established as follows:

- One (1) City Councilor appointed by the Mayor
- One (1) School Board Member appointed by the School Board Chair
- Mayor or designee
- City Manager or designee
- School Superintendent or designee
- One (1) member from the City’s Public Safety Departments appointed by the City Manager
- Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce or designee
- Four (4) additional members representing youth organizations, public health entities, community-based healthcare, and civic organizations appointed by the Committee Chair;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the Mayor and City Council will establish a Mental Health and Wellness Committee to provide ongoing focus, and to examine, study and implement systems that support mental health, wellness and recovery opportunities within the City through the formation of community-wide coalitions that will aid in the education as well as outreach to facilitate these service goals.

<b>Authorization</b>	
<i>Sponsored by:</i> Mayor Dana S. Hilliard	<i>Approved:</i> City Attorney
<i>Sponsored by Councilor:</i> Don Austin	

**City of Somersworth – Resolution 46-23**

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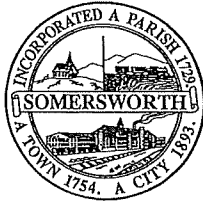
**Discussion**

6/5/2023

*Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 46-23.*

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<b>Voting Record</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Ward 1 Councilor Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor Gibson		
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 46-23	<b>PASSED</b>	<b>FAILED</b>



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 47-23

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT EXTENSION WITH THE PALL CORPORATION OF PORT WASHINGTON, NEW YORK TO LEASE BUILDING SPACE AT THE SOMERSWORTH WATER TREATMENT FACILITY**

June 5, 2023

WHEREAS, the Pall Corporation has a lease agreement with the City of Somersworth to lease building space at the Somersworth Water Treatment Facility that expires on June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Pall Corporation has informed the City they would like to terminate this lease in accordance with the terms and conditions of the lease, but also have requested a one (1) year extension to expire on June 30, 2024 to remove all equipment and fixtures as required by the lease terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, the agreed lease amount for the one (1) year extension is \$1,500 (One Thousand Five Hundred dollars) per month;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to execute a lease extension through June 30, 2024 with the Pall Corporation of Port Washington, New York, for \$1,500 (One Thousand Five Hundred dollars) per month, for building space at the Somersworth Water Treatment Facility under terms and conditions deemed to be in the best interest of the City.

### **Authorization**

*Sponsored by Councilors:*

David A. Witham  
Donald Austin  
Matt Gerding  
Robert Gibson

*Approved:*

City Attorney



City of Somersworth – Resolution 47-23

**History**

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**Discussion**

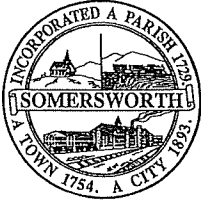
6/5/2023

*Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 47-23.*

*Resolution 47-23 will remain in first reading until the 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 Gibson		
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 47-23	<b>PASSED</b>	<b>FAILED</b>

City of Somersworth – Resolution



Resolution No: 48-23

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH AMERESCO, INC. OF FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS, OPERATING AS BLACKWATER ROAD SOLAR, LLC., TO DEVELOP A SOLAR PROJECT PURSUANT TO RSA 362-A ON THE CLOSED SOMERSWORTH SANITARY LANDFILL SUPERFUND SITE ON BLACKWATER ROAD**

June 5, 2023

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 27-22 authorizing the City Manager to negotiate agreements, subject to the approval of the City Council, with Ameresco, Inc. of Framingham, Massachusetts to develop a solar project on the closed Somersworth Sanitary Landfill Superfund Site on Blackwater Road; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager negotiated agreements with Ameresco, Inc. for the design, installation, maintenance, and decommission of a community solar project pursuant to the New Hampshire Group Net Metering statute, RSA 362-A and locate it on the closed Somersworth sanitary landfill superfund site on Blackwater Road; and

WHEREAS, the Agreements consist of a Purchase Power Agreement (PPA), a Ground Lease, and a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement by and between the City of Somersworth and Blackwater Road Solar, LLC.;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to execute Agreements with Ameresco, Inc. of Framingham, Massachusetts, operating as Blackwater Road Solar LLC., to develop a solar project pursuant to RSA 362-A on the closed Somersworth Sanitary Landfill Superfund site on Blackwater Road and take any and all other such actions relative to this project determined to be in the best interest of the City.

**Authorization**

*Sponsored by Councilors:*

David A. Witham  
Donald Austin  
Matt Gerding  
Robert Gibson

*Approved:*

City Attorney

City of Somersworth – Resolution 48-23

**History**

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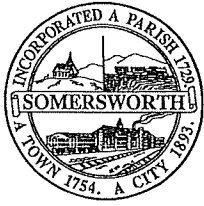
**Discussion**

6/5/2023

*Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 48-23.*

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<b>Voting Record</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor	Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor	Gibson		
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 48-23	PASSED	FAILED



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **49-23**

### **NAMING STORAGE DRIVE AND ASSIGNING ADDRESSES, IF REQUIRED**

June 5, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the following road be named and addresses assigned, if required;

#### NAME

#### EXPLANATIONS

“STORAGE DRIVE”

- 1) Name suggested by Developer of the Tara Fields Self Storage Facility and approved by the Rollinsford Planning Board in August 2022 as the property is in Rollinsford, however access is off of Royal Drive in Somersworth.
- 2) The E-911 Street Name and Address Committee recommended and approved the street name at their May 18, 2023 Committee meeting.
- 3) The Street name is required to be in compliance with E-911 standards due to the size and location of the storage units.
- 4) Storage Drive is a private road.
- 5) Developer is required to install a street sign and a “Private Way” sign per City condition of name acceptance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT this action is in accordance with RSA 231:133; RSA 231:133-a; RSA 106-H; State of NH, Department of Safety, Division of Emergency Communications Addressing Standards, and Chapter 19, Section 23, City of Somersworth Ordinances.

#### **Authorization**

*Sponsored by:*  
Councilor Martin Pepin

*Approved:*  
City Attorney

City of Somersworth – Resolution 49-23

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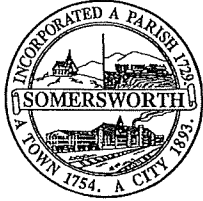
**Discussion**

6/5/2023

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<b>Voting Record</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
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At Large Councilor	Witham		
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At Large Councilor	Messier		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			
On	Resolution 49-23	PASSED	FAILED



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **50-23**

### **ANNUAL FLAG POLE DISPLAYS AT CITIZEN’S PLACE**

June 5, 2023

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 2-19 adopting a policy for flag raising at Citizen’s Place that authorizes the Mayor to manage the flag pole displays at Citizen’s Place; and

WHEREAS, Citizen’s Place has become a focal point which celebrates and embraces Somersworth’s rich history and commitment to cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, the flag poles located on Citizen’s Place are reserved for the City of Somersworth and its Citizens, for use by any person, group or organization that promotes benevolence, tolerance and diversity; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is important to establish an annual flag pole display in an effort to raise awareness for certain events that closely demonstrates the City’s rich history and cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has identified a list of annual flag pole displays that promote the history and cultural diversity within the City of Somersworth with a display schedule as follows:

MONTH	FLAG RAISED	DATE CELEBRATED
January	Coexist Flag	All Month
March	Flag of Ireland	March 17 <sup>th</sup>
March	Flag of Greece	March 25 <sup>th</sup>
April	Earth Day Flag	April 22 <sup>nd</sup>
April	Flag of England	April 23 <sup>rd</sup>
April	Arbor Day Flag	April 24 <sup>th</sup>
April	POW Flag	Memorial Day
May	Police Memorial Flag	On Police Memorial Day – Week Recognition
May	EMS/Stewarts Ambulance Flag	On EMS Recognition Week

May	Firefighters Flag	On Firefighters' Recognition Week
May	Merchant Navy / Merchant Marines Flag	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>
June	Pride Flag	All Month
June	US Army Flag	June 14 <sup>th</sup>
June	Juneteenth Flag	June 19 <sup>th</sup>
June	Flag of Quebec	June 24 <sup>th</sup>
August	Coast Guard Flag	August 4 <sup>th</sup>
September	US Air Force Flag	September 18 <sup>th</sup>
September	Recovery Flag	All Month
October	US Navy Flag	October 13 <sup>th</sup>
November	US Marines Flag	November 10 <sup>th</sup>
November	Abenaki and Pennacook Indigenous People Flag	All Month
December	Peace Flag	All Month
December	Space Force Flag	December 20 <sup>th</sup>

AND, WHEREAS, other flags may be flown in addition to the aforementioned schedule, however, these requests will require a special permit and permission from the Mayor to be displayed at Citizens Place;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City will hereby display flags identified in this Resolution at the dates designated by the City Council at Citizen's Place.

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

City of Somersworth – Resolution 50-23

**History**

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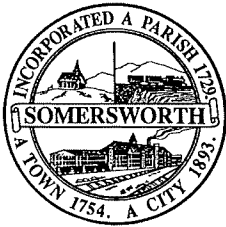
6/5/2023

*Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 50-23.*

*Resolution 50-23 will remain in first reading until the call of the Chair.*

<b>Voting Record</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
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At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Messier		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			
On	Resolution 50-23	PASSED	FAILED





## City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: **24-23**

### **TO AMEND CHAPTER 29, ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, SECTION 29.8.5, DISPOSAL OF CITY PROPERTY**

June 20, 2023

THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH ORDAINS THAT the Ordinances of the City of Somersworth, as amended, be further amended as follows:

Amend Chapter 29, Administrative Code, by deleting Section 29.8. 5. Disposal of City Property in its entirety and replace it with the following:

#### 29.8.5 Disposal of City Property

Where an item is surplus to the needs of a department, it shall be made available to other departments in the City for their use. Transfer of equipment between departments shall be recorded in the general Fixed Assets Group of Accounts (if applicable).

#### Property Valued at Less than \$5,000 other than Real Estate

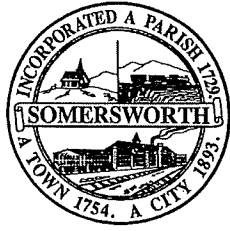
Upon request of the proper department head, the City Manager may authorize the sale of any surplus municipal supplies, materials and equipment valued at less than \$5,000 and no longer required by any City Department. The method of disposal may include sealed bid, auction, trade-in, or any other method deemed appropriate to include worldwide auction sites such as EBay and/or other available mediums.

#### Property Valued at \$5,000 or More and Real Estate

No municipal supplies, materials and equipment valued at \$5,000 or more and no real estate whatsoever shall be offered for sale unless and until the City Council so orders. Any such sale authorized by the City Council may be conducted by competitive bidding, public auction, or any other means authorized by the City Council. The City may reject any and all bids or auction offers.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Authorization	
<i>Sponsored by Councilors:</i> David A. Witham Don Austin Matt Gerding Robert Gibson	<i>Approved:</i> City Attorney



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **52-23**

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN APPLICATION FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) TO UPGRADE THE PARKING LOT, INSTALL AIR CONDITIONING, NEW WINDOWS, NEW PLAYGROUNDS, UPGRADE CLASSROOMS, AND MAKE CERTAIN BUILDING STRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE SOMERSWORTH EARLY LEARNING CENTER**

June 20, 2023

WHEREAS, a public hearing will be held on July 10, 2023,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Council authorizes the City Manager to sign an application for a CDBG grant to upgrade the parking lot, install air conditioning, new windows, new playgrounds, upgrade classrooms, and make certain building structure improvements at the Somersworth Early Learning Center. The estimated cost of the improvements is up to \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand dollars) and the City Council authorizes the following:

1. Authorizes the Granite YMCA to continue as the Authorized Agent of the City of Somersworth in all matters relating to Community Development for this project until it is completed.
2. Authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with the Strafford Regional Planning Commission for the administration and supervision of this project until it is completed.
3. Authorizes the City Manager to execute any and all other documents with the State of New Hampshire, Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA), which will be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Council hereby adopts the 2023 Housing and Community Development Plan and the 2023 Somersworth Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan.

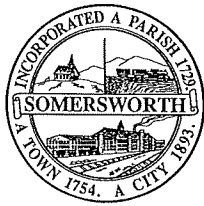
### Authorization

*Sponsored by Councilors:*

David A. Witham  
Don Austin  
Matt Gerding  
Robert Gibson

*Approved:*

City Attorney



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **53-23**

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AND SALES AGREEMENT WITH THE HAWKINS FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST TO SELL THE FORMER SOMERSWORTH POLICE STATION SITE LOCATED AT 5 MAIN STREET

June 20, 2023

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee met on May 24, 2023 and voted unanimously to contract with Heather Kretschmar of the Bean Group for the marketing and sale of the former Police Station Site located at 5 Main Street; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee met on May 30, 2023 and voted unanimously to contract with Heather Kretschmar of the Bean Group for the marketing and sale of the former Police Station Site located at 5 Main Street; and

WHEREAS, the City received three offers to purchase the property and Ms. Kretschmar presented those offers to the Economic Development Committee and suggested the City accept the offer from the Hawkins Family Revocable Trust to purchase the property for \$205,000 (Two Hundred Five Thousand dollars); and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee reviewed the offers received and recommends to sell the property to the Hawkins Family Revocable Trust for \$205,000 (Two Hundred Five Thousand dollars);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to enter into a purchase and sales agreement with the Hawkins Family Revocable Trust to sell the former Police Station Site located at 5 Main Street for \$205,000 (Two Hundred Five Thousand dollars), and to take any other actions determined to be in the best interest of the City to sell this property.

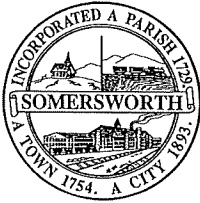
### Authorization

*Sponsored by Councilors:*

Donald Austin  
Robert Gibson  
Matt Gerding  
Richard Michaud

*Approved:*

City Attorney



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **54-23**

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AND SALES AGREEMENT WITH CHINBURG BUILDERS TO SELL THE FORMER NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER LOCATED ON BLACKWATER ROAD

June 20, 2023

WHEREAS, the City Council voted on January 30, 2023 to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the acquisition and redevelopment of the former National Guard Readiness Center located on Blackwater Road; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 30-23 on February 21, 2023 to provide guidance to qualified developers in submitting proposals for reuse of the National Guard Readiness Center on Blackwater Road; and

WHEREAS, City Staff developed and issued an RFP utilizing the guidance provided in Resolution 30-23 requesting proposals to be submitted on May 26, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City received one proposal from Chinburg Builders to purchase the property for \$200,000 (Two Hundred Thousand dollars), selecting Option B, whereby the existing baseball field and related infrastructure will remain in its current location; and

WHEREAS, the proposal also contains the following conditions that will require City support and/or action:

- To rezone the site to allow for the construction of four-story multifamily buildings with accessory commercial uses
- Tax relief under Chapter 31 – Community Revitalization Tax Relief Incentive
- City support in applying for demolition grant funds made available through InvestNH for housing projects; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee reviewed the offer received and supports entering into a purchase and sales agreement to sell the property to Chinburg Builders for \$200,000 (Two Hundred Thousand dollars) with the aforementioned conditions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to enter into a purchase and sales agreement with Chinburg Builders to sell the former National Guard Readiness Center on Blackwater Road for \$200,000 (Two Hundred Thousand dollars), and to take any other actions determined to be in the best interest of the City to sell this property.

### Authorization

*Sponsored by Councilors:*

Donald Austin  
Robert Gibson  
Matt Gerding  
Richard Michaud

*Approved:*

City Attorney