

# City of Somersworth City Council Meeting Agenda City Council Chambers Monday March 18, 2024 7:00 p.m.

- 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
- 5. Comments by Visitors
- 6. Consent Calendar
  - A. Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on March 4, 2024
- 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

#### Nominations Being Introduced for a Council Vote:

- A. Bradley Fredette for re-appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustments with a term to expire April 2027
- B. Nancy Mitchell for appointment to the Library Board of Trustees with a term to expire April 2029
- C. Sarah Robbitts-Terry for appointment to the Library Board of Trustees with a term to expire April 2029
- 14. Lay on the Table

#### 15. Unfinished Business

#### RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution 36-24 To Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire Cost Sharing Agreement/Member Services Contract and to Approve the Associated Policies for Risk, Rates, Reserves, and Data Security and Privacy
- B. Resolution 37-24 To Authorize the City Manager to Contract with N. Granese and Sons of Salem, Massachusetts to Construct the Constitutional Way Complete Streets Project
- C. Resolution 38-24 City Council Vote to Authorize a Bond to Construct the Constitutional Way Complete Streets Project
- D. Resolution 39-24 To Authorize the City Manager to Sign a Contract with Wright-Pierce Engineers of Portsmouth, New Hampshire to Provide Resident Inspection and Construction Engineering Services Associated with the Constitutional Way Complete Streets Project

#### 16. New Business

#### **ORDINANCES**

- A. Ordinance 9-24 Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget
- B. Ordinance 10-24 To Amend Chapter 32, Water Ordinance, by Amending Section 16.1.a Titled "Rates, Fees, and Charges" to Increase the Water Utility Rates Effective July 1, 2024, and July 1, 2025
- C. Ordinance 11-24 To Amend Chapter 8A, Sewer Ordinance, by Amending Charges Article XV Section 7.B Titled "Sewer Use Volume Charges" to Increase the Sewer Volume Charges Effective July 1, 2024, and July 1, 2025
- D. Ordinance 12-24 Supplemental Appropriation for Additional Funding Needed for the Water Meter Replacement Program

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

- A. Resolution 41-24 To Authorize the City Manager to use Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act and the Cable Fund to Contract with Brightly Software, Inc. of Cary, North Carolina for SmartGov Software for the Department of Development Services
- B. Resolution 42-24 To Authorize the City Manager to Contract with Fire Tech and Safety of New England of Winthrop, Maine for the Purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for the Fire Department
- 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 Boards, Commissions & Committee Application

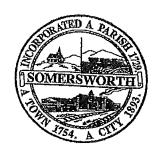
#### Instructions: Please complete all information.

| Name: Bradley Fredette  |
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| Telephone: 603 534 0125 Email: Frede He brad @ amail. com   |
| Residence Address: 3 Blackwater Rd.   |
| Mailing Address (if different):   |
| Resident of Somersworth for 18 Years Ward 3   |
| Registered Voter: Yes No  |
| Education Level: Bachelors +  |
| Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:  20ning Board of Adjustment - Reappointment |
| I am interested in serving on the following Board, Commission or Committee (s):  Respondent to ZBA                          |
| My Background or Interests are: Education, development, community   |
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City of Somersworth Boards, Commissions, Committee Application Adopted: January 8, 2014

| I have served on the following Committee (s) in the past: 23A  |  |  |
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| Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? Yes <u></u> ✓ No  |  |  |
| By submitting this Application you understand that:  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>This application is for consideration and does not mean you will necessarily be<br/>appointed to this Board/Commission; and</li> </ol>              |  |  |
| <ol><li>The Mayor will review your application, may contact you, check your references, and<br/>determine any potential conflict of interests; and</li></ol> |  |  |
| 3. This application will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration.   |  |  |
| 4. Application will be kept on file for one (1) year from date of receipt.   |  |  |
| Signature: B. Mtll Date: 2/29/2024   |  |  |

Please submit application to: City Clerk's Office City Hall, One Government Way Somersworth, NH 03878



# City of Somersworth Boards, Commissions & Committee Application

# Instructions: Please complete all information.

| Name: Nancy B Mitchell   |
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| Telephone: 20M - (M) coop  |
| Residence Address: 18 Turgeons Lane  Email: nancybmitchell14e gmail-con  |
| Mailing Address (if different):  |
| Resident of Somersworth for $2^{+}$ Years Ward $5$   |
| Registered Voter: Yes No   |
| Education Level:  Bachelor's + 15  |
| Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:  Library Book Club & Pope Memorial Flomane Society Volunteer,  House of Hope volunteer |
| I am interested in serving on the following Board, Commission or Committee (s):  |
| Library Board of Trustees  |
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| My Background or Interests are: Betired Teacher  |
| Reading, Walking Dogs, Cooking, Photography  |
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City of Somersworth Boards, Commissions, Committee Application Adopted: January 8, 2014

| I have se | erved on the following Committee (s) in the past: this will be the   |
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| first     | if I am selected   |
| Would yo  | ou be able to commit to attending all meetings? Yes No   |
| •         | omitting this Application you understand that:   |
| 1.        | This application is for consideration and does not mean you will necessarily be appointed to this Board/Commission; and                |
| 2.        | The Mayor will review your application, may contact you, check your references, and determine any potential conflict of interests; and |
| 3.        | This application will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration.  |
| 4.        | Application will be kept on file for one (1) year from date of receipt.  |
| Sìgna     | ature: Nave BAT COCC Date: 2/7/24  |

Please submit application to: City Clerk's Office City Hall, One Government Way Somersworth, NH 03878 My name is Nancy Mitchell and I am interested in joining the library board of trustees. The first thing I did when we moved to Somersworth, a little over 2 years ago, was to get a library card and join the book club. As a retired teacher, reading and public libraries have always played a key role in my life. All through high school and college, I worked in my town's library. I was even accepted to Simmons College School of Library Science after I graduated from college but I got married and had a baby instead. Sometimes life intervenes! But to this day, I still get excited when I get to go to the library and pick out new books to read!

I believe in public libraries as the center of the community. It is a place to promote literacy and a love of reading. As a teacher, I encouraged all my students and parents to get a library card and take out books to read. It also provides a place for people to connect to others. Somersworth Public Library is so active and vibrant with all they do through the book club, the reading programs, community centered programs like the gardening series, the cookbook club, movie nights, etc. I would love to take a more active role in helping to guide the library into an even greater future.



# City of Somersworth Boards, Commissions & Committee Application

#### Instructions: Please complete all information.

| Name: Sarah Robbitts-Terry   |
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| Telephone: 609-903-5010 Email: sarah@sarahterry.com  |
| Residence Address: 31 Ginnamon Ridge Road  |
| Mailing Address (if different):  |
| Resident of Somersworth for 10 Years Ward 4  |
| Registered Voter: Yes No   |
| Education Level:  Masters from UNH, in creative writing  |
| Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:  The run summer programs at Lake Memorial Library for the past four years.   |
| I am interested in serving on the following Board, Commission or Committee (s):  Somersworth Public Library's Board of Trustees  |
| My Background or Interests are: I am the Program and Volunteer Coordinator at the Portsmouth  Historical Society, so I have a great deal of experience creating, booking, and running programs   |
| and I manage our group of over 50 volunteers. I have a background in education, and was a  |
| Museum of NH. My undergrad and grad degrees are both in creative writing and I am passionate about promoting literacy.   |
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City of Somersworth Boards, Commissions, Committee Application Adopted: January 8, 2014

| I have served on the following Committee (s) in the past:  |  |  |  |
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| Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? Yes No  |  |  |  |
| By submitting this Application you understand that:  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>This application is for consideration and does not mean you will necessarily be<br/>appointed to this Board/Commission; and</li> </ol>                |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>The Mayor will review your application, may contact you, check your references, and<br/>determine any potential conflict of interests; and</li> </ol> |  |  |  |
| 3. This application will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration.   |  |  |  |
| 4. Application will be kept on file for one (1) year from date of receipt.   |  |  |  |
| Signature: Saut Party Date: 2/9/2024   |  |  |  |

Please submit application to: City Clerk's Office City Hall, One Government Way Somersworth, NH 03878

#### City of Somersworth – Resolution



Resolution No:

36-24

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE COMMUNITY POWER COALITION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COST SHARING AGREEMENT/MEMBER SERVICES CONTRACT AND TO APPROVE THE ASSOCIATED POLICIES FOR RISK, RATES, RESERVES, AND DATA SECURITY AND PRIVACY

#### March 4, 2024

WHEREAS, the Somersworth City Council adopted Resolution 26-24 on December 11, 2023 to adopt the Somersworth Community Power Aggregation Plan and to authorize the City Manager to submit the plan with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (NHPUC) for review and approval; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2024 the City was notified by the NHPUC that the Somersworth Community Power Aggregation Plan has been reviewed and approved; and

WHEREAS, now that the Somersworth Community Power Aggregation Plan has been approved, the City is required to execute the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire Cost Sharing Agreement/Member Services Contract, and approve the associated policies for risk, rates, reserves, and data security and privacy; and

WHEREAS, the City Council would like to designate Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Scott Smith as the Authorized Officer for Member Service Decisions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to execute the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire Cost Sharing Agreement/Member Services Contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Council approves the associated policies of the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire Cost Sharing Agreement for risk, rates, reserves, and data security and privacy, and to designate Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Scott Smith as the Authorized Officer for Member Service Decisions.

| Authorization      |               |  |
|--------------------|---------------|--|
| Sponsored by:      | Approved:     |  |
| Mayor Matt Gerding | City Attorney |  |
| Councilors:        |               |  |
| David A. Witham    |               |  |
| Denis Messier      |               |  |
| Martin Pepin       |               |  |
| Kenneth S. Vincent |               |  |

# City of Somersworth – Resolution 36-24

| History          |          |                        |  |
|------------------|----------|------------------------|--|
| First Read Date: | 3/6/2024 | Tabled:                |  |
| Public Hearing:  |          | Removed From<br>Table: |  |
| Second Read:     |          |                        |  |

3/6/2024

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 36-24.

Resolution 36-24 will remain in first reading until the call of the Chair.

Mayor Gerding requested to be added to the list of sponsors.

| Voting Record      |                   | YES    | NO     |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Ward 1 Councilor   | Pepin             |        |        |
| Ward 2 Councilor   | Vincent           |        |        |
| Ward 3 Councilor   | Gibson            |        |        |
| Ward 4 Councilor   | Paradis-Catanzaro |        |        |
| Ward 5 Councilor   | Michaud           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Witham            |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Goodwin           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Cameron           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Messier           |        |        |
| TOTAL VOTES:       |                   |        |        |
| On                 | Resolution 36-24  | PASSED | FAILED |

## City of Somersworth – Resolution



Resolution No:

37-24

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH N. GRANESE AND SONS OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS TO CONSTRUCT THE CONSTITUTIONAL WAY COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT

#### March 4, 2024

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 18-18 on December 4, 2017 authorizing the City Manager to contract with Wright-Pierce Engineers to provide engineering services for the design of various complete streets projects including Constitutional Way; and

WHEREAS, the Constitutional Way complete streets project design was completed and bid specifications were prepared and released requesting bids from qualified contractors to construct the project; and

WHEREAS, the City received bids on February 8, 2024, which were reviewed by Wright-Pierce Engineers, and they raised no objections to awarding the contract to N. Granese and Sons of Salem, Massachusetts for an amount of \$2,073,006 (Two Million Seventy-Three Thousand Six dollars); and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has reviewed the bids received with City staff and recommends contracting with N. Granese and Sons of Salem, Massachusetts for an amount of \$2,073,006 (Two Million Seventy-Three Thousand Six dollars); and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee recommends including an amount of \$103,650 (One Hundred Three Thousand Six Hundred Fifty dollars) with the project total for contingencies, and authorize the City Manager to increase the contract to an amount not to exceed \$2,176,656 (Two Million One Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Six dollars) if needed and determined to be in the best interest of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to contract with N. Granese and Sons of Salem, Massachusetts to construct the Constitutional Way complete streets project for an amount of \$2,073,006 (Two Million Seventy-Three Thousand Six dollars); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT an amount of \$103,650 (One Hundred Three Thousand Six Hundred Fifty dollars) is included with the project total for contingencies and the City Manager is authorized to increase the contract to an amount not to exceed \$2,176,656 (Two Million One Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Six dollars) if needed, and it is determined to be in the best interest of the City.

| Authorization            |               |  |
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| Sponsored by Councilors: | Approved:     |  |
| David A. Witham          | City Attorney |  |
| Denis Messier            |               |  |
| Martin Pepin             |               |  |
| Kenneth S. Vincent       |               |  |

## City of Somersworth – Resolution 37-24

| History          |          |                     |  |
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| First Read Date: | 3/6/2024 | Tabled:             |  |
| Public Hearing:  |          | Removed From Table: |  |
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3/6/2024

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 37-24.

Resolution 37-24 will remain in first reading until the call of the Chair.

| Voting Record      |                   | YES    | NO     |
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| Ward 1 Councilor   | Pepin             |        |        |
| Ward 2 Councilor   | Vincent           |        |        |
| Ward 3 Councilor   | Gibson            |        |        |
| Ward 4 Councilor   | Paradis-Catanzaro |        |        |
| Ward 5 Councilor   | Michaud           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Witham            |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Goodwin           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Cameron           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Messier           |        |        |
|                    | TOTAL VOTES:      |        |        |
| On                 | Resolution 37-24  | PASSED | FAILED |



#### City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No:

38-24

# CITY COUNCIL VOTE TO AUTHORIZE A BOND TO CONSTRUCT THE CONSTITUTIONAL WAY COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT

March 4, 2024

WHEREAS, the City requested and received bids for the construction of the Constitutional Way Complete Streets Project; and

WHEREAS, the project costs include construction of water infrastructure, sewer infrastructure, drainage infrastructure, sidewalk and roadway improvements, lighting and other streetscaping improvements, construction engineering and inspection, and any other ancillary costs associated with the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT an amount not to exceed \$2,367,256 (Two Million Three Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Six dollars) is appropriated to construct the Constitutional Way Complete Streets Project; and

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

- (a.) the City Manager is authorized to borrow up to \$2,367,256 (Two Million Three Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Six dollars) under the Municipal Finance Act and to issue bonds and notes payable within 15 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 15 years.

| Authorization            |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Sponsored by Councilors: | Approved:     |
| David A. Witham          | City Attorney |
| Denis Messier            |               |
| Martin Pepin             |               |
| Kenneth S. Vincent       |               |

# City of Somersworth – Resolution 38-24

| History          |          |                     |  |
|------------------|----------|---------------------|--|
| First Read Date: | 3/6/2024 | Tabled:             |  |
| Public Hearing:  |          | Removed From Table: |  |
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3/6/2024

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 38-24.

Resolution 38-24 will remain in first reading until the call of the Chair.

| Voting Record      |                   | YES    | NO       |
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| Ward 1 Councilor   | Pepin             |        |          |
| Ward 2 Councilor   | Vincent           |        |          |
| Ward 3 Councilor   | Gibson            |        |          |
| Ward 4 Councilor   | Paradis-Catanzaro |        |          |
| Ward 5 Councilor   | Michaud           |        |          |
| At Large Councilor | Witham            |        |          |
| At Large Councilor | Goodwin           |        |          |
| At Large Councilor | Cameron           |        |          |
| At Large Councilor | Messier           |        |          |
|                    | TOTAL VOTES:      |        |          |
| On                 | Resolution 38-24  | PASSED | FAILED . |

#### City of Somersworth – Resolution



Resolution No:

39-24

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH WRIGHT-PIERCE ENGINEERS OF PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE TO PROVIDE RESIDENT INSPECTION AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL WAY COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT

#### March 4, 2024

WHEREAS, Wright-Pierce Engineers of Portsmouth, New Hampshire have provided the City with preconstruction services such as engineering, design, and development of bid specifications for the Constitutional Way complete streets project; and

WHEREAS, the City has received bids from qualified contractors for the construction of the Constitutional Way complete streets project and will require resident inspection and construction engineering services associated with the construction of this project; and

WHEREAS, Wright-Pierce Engineers have provided a proposal in the amount of \$190,600 (One Hundred Ninety Thousand Six Hundred dollars) to provide resident inspection and construction engineering services for this project;

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has reviewed the proposal with City staff and recommends contracting with Wright-Pierce Engineers for resident inspection and construction engineering services associated with the construction of this project for an amount of \$190,600 (One Hundred Ninety Thousand Six Hundred dollars);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to sign a contract with Wright Pierce Engineers of Portsmouth, New Hampshire to provide resident inspection and construction engineering services associated with the construction of the Constitutional Way complete streets project for an amount not to exceed \$190,600 (One Hundred Ninety Thousand Six Hundred dollars), and to take any other action related to this contract determined to be in the best interest of the City.

| Authorization            |               |  |
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| Sponsored by Councilors: | Approved:     |  |
| David A. Witham          | City Attorney |  |
| Denis Messier            |               |  |
| Martin Pepin             |               |  |
| Kenneth S. Vincent       |               |  |

# City of Somersworth – Resolution 39-24

| History          |          |                     |  |
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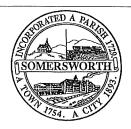
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3/6/2024

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 39-24.

Resolution 39-24 will remain in first reading until the call of the Chair.

| Voting Record      |                   | YES    | NO     |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Ward 1 Councilor   | Pepin             |        |        |
| Ward 2 Councilor   | Vincent           |        |        |
| Ward 3 Councilor   | Gibson            |        |        |
| Ward 4 Councilor   | Paradis-Catanzaro |        |        |
| Ward 5 Councilor   | Michaud           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Witham            |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Goodwin           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Cameron           |        |        |
| At Large Councilor | Messier           |        |        |
|                    | TOTAL VOTES:      |        |        |
| On                 | Resolution 39-24  | PASSED | FAILED |



### City of Somersworth - Ordinance

Ordinance No: 9-

9-24

#### FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET

#### March 18, 2024

THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH ORDAINS THAT BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR SHALL BE:

| DEPARTMENT                       |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| GENERAL FUND                     | BUDGET       |
| Elected Leadership               | \$230,220    |
| City Management                  | 614,050      |
| Finance and Administration       | 1,919,546    |
| Development Services             | 1,082,786    |
| Police                           | 5,180,374    |
| Fire                             | 2,838,771    |
| Public Works                     | 3,572,794    |
| Other Expenses                   | 1,391,000    |
| Capital Outlay                   | 45,000       |
| Intergovt Assessments - County   | 3,169,922    |
| School Department                | 31,319,747   |
| TOTAL GENERAL FUND               | 51,364,210   |
| ENTERPRISE FUNDS                 |              |
| Wastewater Department            | 3,619,635    |
| Water Department                 | 2,873,558    |
| Solid Waste                      | 676,169      |
| TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUNDS           | 7,169,362    |
| SPECIAL REVENUE FUND             |              |
| Cable Fund                       | 69,513       |
| TOTAL FY 2024-2025 APPROPRIATION | \$58,603,085 |

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

| Authorization             |               |  |
|---------------------------|---------------|--|
| Sponsored by Request:     | Approved:     |  |
| Councilor David A. Witham | City Attorney |  |
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#### City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: 10-24

TO AMEND CHAPTER 32, WATER ORDINANCE, BY AMENDING SECTION 16.1.a TITLED "RATES, FEES, AND CHARGES" TO INCREASE THE WATER UTILITY RATES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024, AND JULY 1, 2025

March 18, 2024

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

Amend Chapter 32, Section 16.1.a titled "Rates, Fees, and Charges", by deleting the second paragraph in its entirety and replace it with the following:

All water users will be charged at a rate of \$5.94 per 100 cubic feet of water used beginning July 1, 2024; \$6.53 per 100 cubic feet of water used beginning July 1, 2025;

#### Background:

By passage of this Ordinance the City Council is increasing the Water Use Volume Charge 10% effective July 1, 2024, and 10% effective July 1, 2025.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

| Authorization            |               |  |
|--------------------------|---------------|--|
| Sponsored by Councilors: | Approved:     |  |
| David A. Witham          | City Attorney |  |
| Denis Messier            |               |  |
| Martin Pepin             |               |  |
| Kenneth S. Vincent       |               |  |



#### City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: 11-24

TO AMEND CHAPTER 8A, SEWER ORDINANCE, BY AMENDING CHARGES ARTCILE XV SECTION 7.B TITLED "SEWER USE VOLUME CHARGES" TO INCREASE THE SEWER VOLUME CHARGES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024, AND JULY 1, 2025

March 18, 2024

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

Amend Chapter 8A, Article XV, Section 7.B Titled "Sewer Use Volume Charges", by deleting it in its entirety and replace it with the following:

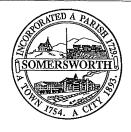
All sewer users will be charged at a rate of \$8.83 per 100 cubic feet of water used beginning July 1, 2024; \$9.75 per 100 cubic feet of water used beginning July 1, 2025;

#### Background:

By passage of this Ordinance the City Council is increasing the Sewer Use Volume Charge 10% effective July 1, 2024, and 10% effective July 1, 2025.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

| Authorization            |               |  |
|--------------------------|---------------|--|
| Sponsored by Councilors: | Approved:     |  |
| David A. Witham          | City Attorney |  |
| Denis Messier            |               |  |
| Martin Pepin             |               |  |
| Kenneth S. Vincent       |               |  |



### City of Somersworth - Ordinance

Ordinance No: 12-24

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING NEEDED FOR THE WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

March 18, 2024

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 2023-2024 is amended as follows:

Appropriate \$75,000 (Seventy-Five Thousand dollars) from the Water Fund budget; and

Appropriate \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand dollars) from the Sewer Fund budget as follows:

Water Fund Original Budget

Amendment

Revised Water Fund Budget

\$ 3,236,505

\$ 75,000

\$ 3,311,505

Sewer Fund Original Budget \$ 4,183,996 Amendment

Revised Sewer Fund Budget

\$ 50,000

\$ 4,233,996

Approved as to Funding:

Recorded by:

Scott A. Smith

Director of Finance and Administration

Kristen LaPanne City Clerk

Background:

This Ordinance appropriates additional funding to complete the Residential meter replacement program.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

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            |               |
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| Sponsored by Councilors: | Approved:     |
| David A. Witham          | City Attorney |
| Denis Messier            |               |
| Martin Pepin             |               |
| Kenneth S. Vincent       |               |

# SOMERSWORTH 154, A CITY

#### City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No:

41-24

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO USE FUNDING FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT AND THE CABLE FUND TO CONTRACT WITH BRIGHTLY SOFTWARE, INC. OF CARY, NORTH CAROLINA FOR SMARTGOV SOFTWARE

#### March 18, 2024

WHEREAS, the Somersworth Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2025-2030 includes a project to provide on-line permitting software for use by the Department of Development Services; and

WHEREAS, City Staff researched qualified companies and requested and received demonstrations from a number of these software companies that provide similar products; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing products available, City Staff determined that SmartGov by Brightly Software of Cary, North Carolina provides a platform that best meets the needs of the City with an initial cost of \$48,386 (FortyEight Thousand Three Hundred EightySix dollars); and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee reviewed this recommendation with City Staff and recommends the City contract with Brightly Software for SmartGov Software for an amount not to exceed \$48,386 (Forty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Six dollars); and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee also recommends the City fund this contract using available funding from the American Rescue Plan Act and the Cable Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to use funding from the American Rescue Plan Act and the Cable Fund to contract with Brightly Software for SmartGov Software for an amount not to exceed \$48,386 (Forty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Six dollars) and take any and all other actions relative to this purchase determined to be in the best interest of the City.

| Authorization            |               |  |
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| Sponsored by Councilors: | Approved:     |  |
| David A. Witham          | City Attorney |  |
| Denis Messier            |               |  |
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# SOMERSWORTH I

#### City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No:

42-24

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH FIRE TECH AND SAFETY OF NEW ENGLAND OF WINTHROP, MAINE FOR THE PURCHASE OF SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

#### March 18, 2024

WHEREAS, the Somersworth Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2024-2029 contains a recommendation to replace all self-contained breathing apparatus used by the Fire Department over a 4-year period; and

WHEREAS, the fiscal year 2023-2024 adopted budget contains an appropriation for the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus representing the first year of this program; and

WHEREAS, Fire Tech and Safety of New England is a certified vendor for self-contained breathing apparatus on the Massachusetts State Bid List; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus from Fire Tech and Safety of New England utilizing the Massachusetts State Bid list at a cost not to exceed \$108,000 (One Hundred Eight Thousand dollars); and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee reviewed this recommendation with City Staff and recommends the City contract with Fire Tech and Safety of New England for an amount not to exceed \$108,000 (One Hundred Eight Thousand dollars); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to contract with Fire Tech and Safety of New England of Winthrop, Maine for the purchase of self-contained breathing apparatus for the Fire Department at an amount not to exceed \$108,000 (One Hundred Eight Thousand dollars) and take any and all other actions relative to this purchase determined to be in the best interest of the City.

| Authorization            |               |  |
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