

City of Somersworth
City Council Meeting Agenda
City Council Chambers
Monday, March 6, 2023
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
 - A. **Ordinance 15-23** – To Amend Chapter 34, Exemptions and Credits, Section 34.2, Veterans' Property Tax Credit
 - B. **Ordinance 16-23** – Supplemental Appropriation for Sidewalk Improvements
5. Comments by Visitors
6. Consent Calendar
 - A. Approve Minutes of the City Council Workshop Presentation by Placework Architects – Public Library Expansion/ADA Improvement Study held on February 21, 2023
 - B. Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on February 21, 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

Nominations Being Introduced for a Council Confirmation Vote:

 - A. Matt Keiser, re-appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustments with a term to expire March 2026

Nominations Requiring a Council Confirmation Vote:

- B. Scott Orzechowski, re-appointment to the Conservation Committee with a term to expire May 2026

14. Lay on the Table

15. Unfinished Business

ORDINANCES

- A. **Ordinance 15-23** – To Amend Chapter 34, Exemptions and Credits, Section 34.2, Veterans' Property Tax Credit
- B. **Ordinance 16-23** – Supplemental Appropriation for Sidewalk Improvements

RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution 31-23** – Vote to Support the City of Somersworth Joining a Statewide Public Transportation Coalition
- B. **Resolution 32-23** – To Notify the City Tax Collector that the City Council Shall Not Accept a Tax Deed on Certain Properties Subject to an Unredeemed Tax Lien
- C. **Resolution 33-23** – To Notify the City Tax Collector that the City Council Shall Not Accept a Tax Deed on Properties Located on Wexford Lane and Blackwater Road Subject to an Unredeemed Tax Lien
- D. **Resolution 34-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to Contract with GMI Asphalt, Inc. of Belmont, NH for Fiscal Year 2023 Road Resurfacing Improvements
- E. **Resolution 35-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to Contract with GMI Asphalt, Inc. of Belmont, NH for Fiscal Year 2023 Sidewalk Repair and Reconstruction Project

16. New Business

ORDINANCES

- A. **Ordinance 17-23** – Supplemental Appropriation for the Replacement of the Dispatch Radio Console at the Somersworth Police Station

RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution 36-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to use funding from the American Rescue Plan Act and Contract with 2-Way Communications of Portsmouth, NH to Replace the Dispatch Radio Console at the Somersworth Police Station
- B. **Resolution 37-23** – To Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Purchase and Sales Agreement with David Baker DBA 261 Main Street, LLC to Purchase the Property Located at 261 Main Street and Accept the Deed for the Sole Purpose of Pursuing a Federal Brownfields Cleanup Grant

OTHER

- A. Vote to Ratify a 3-Year Wage and Working Agreement between the City of Somersworth and Somersworth Public Administrators Association (SPPA)

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: 15-23

TO AMEND CHAPTER 34, EXEMPTIONS AND CREDITS, SECTION 34.2, VETERANS' PROPERTY TAX CREDIT

February 21, 2023

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

Amend Chapter 34, Exemptions and Credits, by deleting Section 34.2, Veterans' Property Tax Credits in its entirety and replace it with the following:

Section 34.2 Veteran's Property Tax Credit

The City adopts the provisions of RSA 72:28, for an optional Veterans' Property Tax Credit. The Veterans' Property Tax Credit shall be \$750, effective April 1, 2023.

Background:

The State of New Hampshire has revised RSA 72:28 to include veterans that continue to serve in the military. Previously, only veterans that have been discharged from the military qualified for the tax credit. The NH Municipal Association and the State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Service have recommended that municipalities re-adopt the tax credit. The City's current tax credit is \$750, the maximum under State law is \$750.

Authorization

Sponsored by Councilors:

David A. Witham
Donald Austin
Matt Gerding
Richard Michaud

Approved:

City Attorney

City of Somersworth – Ordinance 15-23

History			
First Read Date:	2/21/2023	Tabled:	
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Discussion

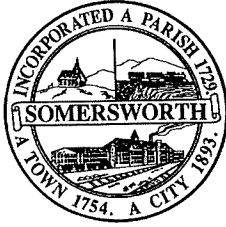
2/21/2023

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Ordinance 15-23.

Ordinance 15-23 will remain in first reading until the call of the Chair.

A Public Hearing is scheduled for the next regular scheduled City Council meeting.

Voting Record		YES	NO
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		
TOTAL VOTES:			
On Ordinance 15-23		PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: 16-23

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

February 21, 2023

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 22-23 is amended as follows:

Appropriate \$40,000 (Forty Thousand dollars) from the special Highway Block Grant funds to the Department of Public Works - Street Maintenance Budget as follows;

Budget	Amendment	Revised Budget
\$ 1,146,450	\$ 40,000	\$ 1,186,450

Approved as to Funding:

Scott A. Smith
Director of Finance and Administration

Recorded by:

Kristen LaPanne
City Clerk

Background:

This Ordinance appropriates funding from the special non-lapsing Highway Block Grant funds for sidewalk improvements. The total contract with GMI Asphalt, Inc. for the sidewalk improvements is \$140,000, with \$100,000 appropriated in the adopted Fiscal Year 22-23 budget, and the additional \$40,000 from this supplemental appropriation.

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

Authorization

Sponsored by Councilors:

David A. Witham
Denis Messier
Martin Pepin
Kenneth S. Vincent

Approved:

City Attorney

City of Somersworth – Ordinance 16-23

History

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Discussion

2/21/2023

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Ordinance 16-23.

Ordinance 16-23 will remain in first reading until the call of the Chair.

A Public Hearing is scheduled for the next regular scheduled City Council meeting.

Voting Record		YES	NO
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		
TOTAL VOTES:			
On Ordinance 16-23		PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 31-23

VOTE TO SUPPORT THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH JOINING A STATEWIDE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COALITION

February 21, 2023

WHEREAS, the City of Somersworth supports and promotes public transit in our Community; and

WHEREAS, the Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST) is leading an effort to start a meaningful dialogue on increasing financial support for public transportation operations throughout the State of New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, a Statewide Coalition of public transit and community-based transportation providers and the communities, businesses, and other organizations they serve is being formed and is known as the Statewide Public Transportation Coalition; and

WHEREAS, the initial policy objective of this Coalition is to increase the State's share of the operating costs of public transit, as the State's per capita contribution to public transit operations according to American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) is by far the lowest in New England and nearly the lowest in the Nation; and

WHEREAS, with Federal emergency relief funding currently provided to public transit system operators expected to be fully expended by 2024, and operating costs having increased significantly due to workforce shortages and inflation, additional State support is urgently needed to avoid deep cuts in the services provided by the State's public transit agencies; and

WHEREAS, there are recently approved Federal funds that will be unavailable to public transit systems in New Hampshire if matching funds are not available from the State. Without increased State support to unlock these new Federal funds, the State's public transit agencies, and the services provided, will need to be significantly reduced by 2024/2025; and

WHEREAS, cuts in services will create adverse impacts to vulnerable members of the Somersworth Community who rely on public transit,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the Mayor and City Council supports the policy objective of significantly increased financial support from the State of New Hampshire and strongly urge that these increased funds be included in the State Fiscal Year 2024/2025 biennial budget. Also, the City Council supports the City of Somersworth joining the Statewide Public Transportation Coalition and will work with the other coalition members to advocate for reasonable State funding levels so that public transit agencies across the State will be able to continue operation into the foreseeable future.

Authorization

Sponsored by:

Mayor Dana S. Hilliard

Approved:

City Attorney

City of Somersworth – Resolution 31-23

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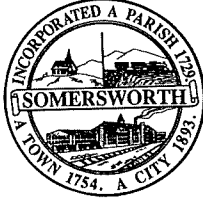
Discussion

2/21/2023

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 31-23.

Resolution 31-23 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	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Messier		
TOTAL VOTES:			
On Resolution 31-23		PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 32-23

TO NOTIFY THE CITY TAX COLLECTOR THAT THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL NOT ACCEPT A TAX DEED ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES SUBJECT TO AN UNREDEEMED TAX LIEN

February 21, 2023

WHEREAS, RSA 80:76 directs the Tax Collector, after 2 years, to execute to the City a deed of the land subject to a real estate tax lien and not redeemed; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of a municipality may refuse to accept a tax deed on behalf of the municipality because in its judgment, acceptance and ownership of the real estate would subject the municipality to undesirable obligations or liability risks, or for any reason that would be contrary to the public interest,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Tax Collector be notified that for those reasons the City shall refuse to accept the tax deeds on property located at the following locations:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Tax Map/Lot</u>
79 Crystal Springs Way	82-43M
124 Sherwood Glen	87-124M
130 Sherwood Glen	87-130M
207 Sherwood Glen	87-207M
208 Sherwood Glen	87-208M
325 Sherwood Glen	87-325M
332 Sherwood Glen	87-332M
409 Sherwood Glen	87-409M
510 Sherwood Glen	87-510M
703 Sherwood Glen	87-703M
4 Ringer Drive	88-2M
5 Ringer Drive	88-10M
10 Ringer Drive	88-5M

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

City of Somersworth – Resolution 32-23

History

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Discussion

2/21/2023

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 32-23.

Resolution 32-23 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	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Messier		
TOTAL VOTES:			
On	Resolution 32-23	PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 33-23

TO NOTIFY THE CITY TAX COLLECTOR THAT THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL NOT ACCEPT A TAX DEED ON PROPERTIES LOCATED ON WEXFORD LANE AND BLACKWATER ROAD SUBJECT TO AN UNREDEEMED TAX LIEN

February 21, 2023

WHEREAS, RSA 80:76 directs the Tax Collector, after 2 years, to execute to the City a deed of the land subject to a real estate tax lien and not redeemed; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of a municipality may refuse to accept a tax deed on behalf of the municipality because in its judgment, acceptance and ownership of the real estate would subject the municipality to undesirable obligations or liability risks, or for any reason that would be contrary to the public interest,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Tax Collector be notified that for those reasons the City shall refuse to accept the tax deeds on property located at the following locations:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Tax Map/Lot</u>
5 Wexford Lane	35-12A
7 Wexford Lane	35-12B

Note – It is believed that these properties contain contaminated soils and /or buried debris and an uninhabitable mobile home.

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

City of Somersworth – Resolution 33-23

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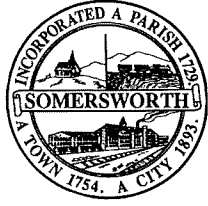
Discussion

2/21/2023

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Voting Record		YES	NO
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		
TOTAL VOTES:			
On	Resolution 33-23	PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 34-23

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH GMI ASPHALT, INC. OF BELMONT, NH FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 ROAD RESURFACING IMPROVEMENTS

February 21, 2023

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 19-23 on November 14, 2022, authorizing the City Manager to prepare and request bids from qualified contractors for road improvements to the following City streets:

Buffumsville Road (River St to New Dam Bridge) shim/overlay
Bourque St. (Down St. to Second St.) shim/overlay
Lee St. (Indigo Hill Rd. to Bourque St.) shim/overlay
Maloney St. (Salmon Falls Rd. to end) reconstruction
First St. reconstruction
Trench patching due to water breaks; and

WHEREAS, the bid package included an alternate bid item for additional road improvements and the bid submitted is such that there is sufficient funding to include the following City streets;

Coombes Road (Lily Pond to Quarry Road) shim/overlay
Quarry Road (West High St to end) shim/overlay
Spence St. (West High to Coombes Road) shim/overlay; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Environment Committee reviewed the results of the bids received with City staff and recommends contracting with GMI Asphalt, Inc. of Belmont, NH to make these road improvements for a cost of \$1,240,107 (One Million Two Hundred Forty Thousand One Hundred Seven dollars); and

WHEREAS, The Public Works and Environment Committee recommends including a contingency in the amount of \$59,893 (Fifty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Three dollars) for the project, and allow the City Manager to increase the contract to an amount not to exceed \$1,300,000 (One Million Three Hundred Thousand dollars) if needed, and it is 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 GMI Asphalt, Inc. of Belmont, NH to make road improvements to the aforementioned City streets for a cost of \$1,240,107 (One Million Two Hundred Forty Thousand One Hundred Seven dollars); and

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT an amount of \$59,893 (Fifty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Three 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 \$1,300,000 (One Million Three Hundred Thousand dollars) if needed, and it is determined to be in the best interest of the City.

City of Somersworth – Resolution 34-23

History

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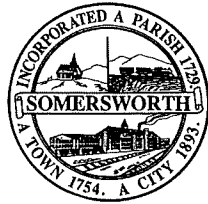
Discussion

2/21/2023

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 34-23.

Resolution 34-23 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	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Messier		
TOTAL VOTES:			
On	Resolution 34-23	PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 35-23

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH GMI ASPHALT, INC. OF BELMONT, NH FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 SIDEWALK REPAIR AND RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

February 21, 2023

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 10-23 on September 26, 2022, authorizing the City Manager to prepare and request bids from qualified contractors for repairs and reconstruction of certain City sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, City staff solicited bids from qualified contractors and recommends awarding a contract to GMI Asphalt, Inc. of Belmont, NH; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Environment Committee reviewed the results of the bids received with City staff and recommends contracting with GMI Asphalt, Inc. of Belmont, NH for an amount of \$130,580 (One Hundred Thirty Thousand Five Hundred Eighty dollars) to make repairs and reconstruction to the following sidewalks:

West High St. from Maple St. to Cemetery Road
West High St. by the SAU Building driveway
Bartlett Avenue from Guy St. to High St.; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Environment Committee recommends including a contingency in the amount of \$9,420 (Nine Thousand Four Hundred Twenty dollars) for the project, and allow the City Manager to increase the contract to an amount not to exceed \$140,000 (One Hundred Forty Thousand dollars) if needed, and it is 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 GMI Asphalt, Inc. of Belmont, NH to make sidewalk repairs and reconstruction to the aforementioned City sidewalks for an amount of \$130,580 (One Hundred Thirty Thousand Five Hundred Eighty dollars); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT an amount of \$9,420 (Nine Thousand Four Hundred Twenty dollars) is included with the project total for contingencies and the City Manager is allowed to increase the contract to an amount not to exceed \$140,000 (One Hundred Forty Thousand dollars) if needed, and it is determined to be in the best interest of the City.

Authorization

Sponsored by:

David A. Witham
Denis Messier
Martin Pepin
Kenneth S. Vincent

Approved:

City Attorney

City of Somersworth – Resolution 35-23

History

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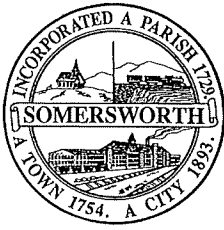
Discussion

2/21/2023

Clerk LaPanne performed a first reading of Resolution 35-23.

Resolution 35-23 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	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Messier		
TOTAL VOTES:			
On Resolution 35-23		PASSED	FAILED



City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: 17-23

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE DISPATCH RADIO CONSOLE AT THE SOMERSWORTH POLICE STATION

March 6, 2023

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 22-23 is amended as follows:

Appropriate \$185,482 (One Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two dollars) from the American Rescue Plan Funds to the Capital Outlay Budget as follows:

Budget	Amendment	Revised Budget
\$ 254,869	\$ 185,482	\$ 440,351

Approved as to Funding:

Scott A. Smith
Director of Finance and Administration

Recorded by:

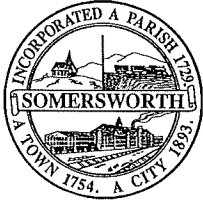
Kristen LaPanne
City Clerk

Background:

This Ordinance appropriates funding from the American Rescue Plan Funds (ARPA) for the replacement of the Dispatch Radio Console at the Somersworth Police Station. There is currently \$626,462 available in ARPA Funds.

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



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **36-23**

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO USE FUNDING FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT AND CONTRACT WITH 2-WAY COMMUNICATIONS OF PORTSMOUTH, NH TO REPLACE THE DISPATCH RADIO CONSOLE AT THE SOMERSWORTH POLICE STATION

March 6, 2023

WHEREAS, the Somersworth Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2024-2029 includes a project to replace the dispatch radio console at the Somersworth Police Station; and

WHEREAS, the manufacturer of the current dispatch radio console is no longer manufacturing replacement parts and the equipment has been deemed at the end of its useful life; and

WHEREAS, the manufacturer of the current dispatch radio console will no longer support the system and replacement of a new dispatch radio console will require some lead time for the installation; and

WHEREAS, City Staff obtained a quote from 2-Way Communications of Portsmouth, NH for an amount of \$168,482 (One Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two dollars) to replace the dispatch radio console; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee reviewed this project with City Staff and determined it is in the best interest of the City to utilize American Rescue Plan Act funds to start this project as soon as possible and recommends awarding a contract to 2-Way Communications for this project; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee also recommends adding an amount of \$17,000 (Seventeen Thousand dollars) to this project for contingencies and to authorize the City Manager to increase the contract to an amount not to exceed \$185,482 (One Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two dollars) if needed and determined to be in the best interest of the City,

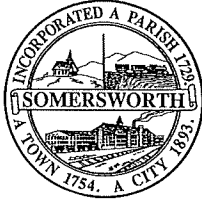
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager may use funding from the American Rescue Plan Act and contract with 2-Way Communications of Portsmouth, NH to replace the dispatch radio console at the Somersworth Police Station for an amount of \$168,482 (One Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two dollars); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT an amount of \$17,000 (Seventeen Thousand dollars) is included with this project for contingencies and the City Manager is authorized to increase the contract to an amount not to exceed \$185,482 (One Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two dollars) if needed and determined to be in the best interest of the City.

Authorization

Sponsored by:

Approved:



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 37-23

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE AND SALES AGREEMENT WITH DAVID BAKER DBA 261 MAIN STREET, LLC TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 261 MAIN STREET AND ACCEPT THE DEED FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF PURSUING A FEDERAL BROWNFIELDS CLEANUP GRANT

March 6, 2023

WHEREAS, David Baker purchased property located at 261 Main Street in Somersworth, formerly known as Prince's Garage, and demolished the building on-site with the intent of redeveloping the property; and

WHEREAS, during the process of redevelopment it was determined that there was extensive environmental contamination that requires additional assessment and remediation before any redevelopment of the property can occur; and

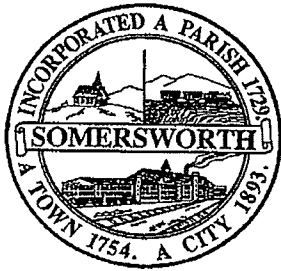
WHEREAS, David Baker approached the City with a proposal that the City purchase the property at 261 Main Street for the sole purpose of pursuing a Federal Brownfields Grant through the Environmental Protection Agency to complete the assessment and remediation of the property; and

WHEREAS, City Staff, with the assistance of the City's Environmental Attorney, have completed a draft purchase and sales agreement with David Baker DBA 261 Main Street, LLC to purchase said property for \$1 (One dollar) with the terms that the City will resell the property back to David Baker DBA 261 Main Street, LLC at the conclusion of a Brownfields cleanup, or at any time for any reason, or no reason at all, for \$1 (One dollar); and

WHEREAS, David Baker will be responsible for any costs associated with the cleanup not covered by a Brownfields Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Environment Committee reviewed this agreement with City Staff and recommends authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to execute a purchase and sales agreement with David Baker DBA 261 Main Street, LLC to purchase the property located at 261 Main Street and accept the deed for \$1 (One dollar) for the sole purpose of pursuing a Federal Brownfields Grant and to take any other actions with this agreement determined to be in the best interest of the City.



City of Somersworth
Boards, Commissions & Committee Application

Instructions: Please complete all information.

Name: MATT KEISER

Telephone: 767-5467 Email: mkeiser@comcast.net

Residence Address: 6 Flynn Street

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Resident of Somersworth for 36 Years Ward 1

Registered Voter: Yes No

Education Level: BS

Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:
ZBA
ELECTION SHERIFFMAN

I am interested in serving on the following Board, Commission or Committee (s):
ZBA

My Background or Interests are: ENGINEER

over



I have served on the following Committee (s) in the past: ZBA, SELECTMAN

SCHOOL BOARD

Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? Yes No

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Signature: 

Date: 2-19-23

**Please submit application to:
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Somersworth, NH 03878**



City of Somersworth
Boards, Commissions & Committee Application

Instructions: Please complete all information.

Name: Scott Orzechowski

Telephone: 603-973-3690 Email: scott.orzechowski@comcast.net

Residence Address: 11 Francoeur Dr.

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Resident of Somersworth for 18 Years Ward 1

Registered Voter: Yes No

Education Level: B.S.

Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:

UNH Mayor's Commission on Preserve Somersworth
Cooperative Ext. Coverts

I am interested in serving on the following Board, Commission or Committee (s):

Renew Conservation Commission

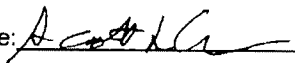
My Background or Interests are: Chair. We have many projects
in the works, including an invasives plan, culvert
plan, soil conservation @ Malley Farm, community wildlife
habitat program, iNaturalist program, over
new Natural Resources Inventory, wild life mgmt plan
@ Lily Pond

I have served on the following Committee (s) in the past: ConCom, Sustain. Committee,
SRPC, Preserve Somersworth, Tree Board

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