

# SOMERSWORTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Somersworth, NH, through the Office of the City Clerk, hereby announces that a:

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

will be held on **Monday, May 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**  
in **City Council Chambers**, City Hall,  
One Government Way, Somersworth, N.H.

This meeting is open to the Public; however, the Public is encouraged to submit comments in lieu of attending. All meeting attendees are required to wear a mask in accordance with CDC COVID-19 Guidelines. Public comments should be emailed to [jslaven@somersworth.com](mailto:jslaven@somersworth.com) or [bbelmore@somersworth.com](mailto:bbelmore@somersworth.com). Comments must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on the day of the City Council meeting. The meeting can be viewed via the Local Government Cable Access Ch. 22 (Comcast) or via live stream at the City's website [www.somersworth.com](http://www.somersworth.com)

*\*This notice is in accordance with RSA 91-A:2, Revised Statutes Annotated of the State of New Hampshire*

Date Posted: May 11, 2021

Posted by: Jonathan Slaven,  
City Clerk

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City of Somersworth  
City Council Meeting Agenda  
City Council Chambers  
Monday, May 17, 2021  
7:00 p.m.

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1. Roll Call of Members
  2. Pledge of Allegiance
  3. Public Hearing
    - A. **Ordinance No. 15-21** – To Amend Chapter 7, Solid Waste and Recycling, Section 7.4 – Fees
    - B. **Ordinance No. 16-21** – Supplemental Appropriation for an Amendment to the Wright-Pierce Contract for the Engineering and Design of the Main Street and Constitutional Way Complete Streets Projects
  4. Comments by Visitors
  5. Consent Calendar
    - A. Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on May 3, 2021
  6. Comments by City Councilors
  7. Communications
    - A. Presentation by Attorney Katherine Miller, Special Counsel for Cable Franchise Agreements
    - B. Presentation of Financial Statements for year ending June 30, 2020 by Plodzik & Sanderson
  8. Presentations of Petitions and Disposal Thereof by Reference or Otherwise
  9. Mayor's Report
  10. Report of Standing Committees
  11. Report of Special Committees, City Officers and City Manager
  12. Nominations, Appointments and Elections
- Nominations being introduced for Council Confirmation Vote:
- A. Jeremy Rhodes for Reappointment as member to the Planning Board, with a term to expire May 2024

13. Lay on the Table

14. Unfinished Business

ORDINANCES

- A. **Ordinance No. 15-21** – To Amend Chapter 7, Solid Waste and Recycling, Section 7.4 – Fees
- B. **Ordinance No. 16-21** – Supplemental Appropriation for an Amendment to the Wright-Pierce Contract for the Engineering and Design of the Main Street and Constitutional Way Complete Streets Projects

RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution No. 37-21** – To Authorize the City Manager to Amend the Contract with Wright-Pierce Engineers of Portsmouth, NH for Engineering and Design Services for the Main Street and Constitutional Way Complete Streets Project

15. New Business

OTHER

- A. Vote to Ratify Tentative Multi-Year Agreement between the City of Somersworth and Somersworth Firefighters, Local #2320, IAFF, from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023

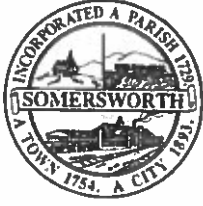
16. Comments by Visitors

17. Closing Comments by Council Members

18. Future Agenda Items

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

20. Adjournment



## City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: **15-21**

### **TO AMEND CHAPTER 7, SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING, SECTION 7.4 - FEES**

May 3, 2021

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

Amend Chapter 7, Solid Waste and Recycling, Section 7.4 – Fees, by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

Section 7.4 – Fees: Effective July 1, 2021, the retail cost of the bags shall be \$2.15 for a 30-gallon bag and \$1.60 for a 15-gallon bag. Ten cents (.10) from the sale of each bag shall be utilized to subsidize the cost to the City for recycling or for any other cost related to solid waste and recycling collection and disposal. The cost to vendors shall be \$.02 cents less to provide financial incentive for selling the bags.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Authorization	
<i>Sponsored by:</i> David A. Witham Donald Austin Martin Pepin Martin Dumont, Sr. Matthew Gerding	<i>Approved:</i> City Attorney

**City of Somersworth – Ordinance 15 - 21**

**History**

First Read Date:	05/03/2021	Tabled:	
Public Hearing:		Removed From Table:	
Second Read:			

**Discussion**

05/03/2021

*Ordinance No. 15-21 will remain until first read. Public Hearing scheduled at 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	Dumont		
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Paradis		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			
On //2021	Ordinance 15-21	<b>PASSED</b>	<b>FAILED</b>



## City of Somersworth – Ordinance

Ordinance No: 16-21

### **SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE WRIGHT-PIERCE CONTRACT FOR THE ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF THE MAIN STREET AND CONSTITUTIONAL WAY COMPLETE STREETS PROJECTS**

May 3, 2021

THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH ORDAINS THAT pursuant to Section 7.7(A) of the City Charter:

The annual budget for the City of Somersworth for Fiscal Year 20-21 is amended as follows:

Appropriate \$98,500 (Ninety-Eight Thousand Five Hundred dollars) from the Water Fund budget, and

Appropriate \$98,500 (Ninety-Eight Thousand Five Hundred dollars) from the Sewer Fund budget,

Water Fund Original Budget \$ 2,178,516	Amendment \$ 98,500	Revised Water Fund Budget \$ 2,277,016
Sewer Fund Original Budget \$ 2,343,470	Amendment \$ 98,500	Revised Sewer Fund Budget \$ 2,441,970

Approved as to Funding:

Scott A. Smith  
Director of Finance and Administration

Recorded by:

Jonathan Slaven  
City Clerk

Background:

This Ordinance appropriates funding to amend the current Wright-Pierce contract for engineering and design services for the Main Street and Constitutional Way Complete Streets projects.

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

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

#### Authorization

*Sponsored by:*

David A. Witham  
Martin Dumont, Sr.  
Martin Pepin  
Donald Austin  
Matt Gerding

*Approved:*

City Attorney

## City of Somersworth – Ordinance 16-21

### History

First Read Date:	05/03/2021	Tabled:	
Public Hearing:		Removed From Table:	
Second Read:			

### Discussion

05/03/2021

*Ordinance No. 16-21 will remain until first read. Public Hearing scheduled at the call of the Chair.*

Voting Record		YES	NO
Ward 1 Councilor	Pepin		
Ward 2 Councilor	Vincent		
Ward 3 Councilor	Dumont		
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Paradis		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			
On //2021	Ordinance 16-21	<b>PASSED</b>	<b>FAILED</b>



## City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 37-21

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH WRIGHT-PIERCE ENGINEERS OF PORTSMOUTH, NH FOR ENGINEERING AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE MAIN STREET AND CONSTITUTIONAL WAY COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT**

May 3, 2021

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 18-18 authorizing the City Manager to contract with Wright-Pierce Engineers to provide engineering services for various complete streets projects including Main Street and Constitutional Way; and

WHEREAS, the City has been notified that these projects may be eligible for Federal funding; and

WHEREAS, the City has requested a proposal from Wright/Pierce for any additional funding required to get the engineering and design complete so the project is “shovel ready” this year in an effort to increase the opportunity to obtain Federal funding; and

WHEREAS, Wright-Pierce Engineers has provided the City a quote in the amount of \$197,000 (One Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand dollars); and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Environment Committee reviewed this quote with City staff and recommends amending the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee reviewed this quote with City staff and recommends amending the contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to amend the contract for engineering and design service for the Main Street and Constitutional Way Complete Streets projects with Wright-Pierce Engineers by \$197,000 (One Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand dollars) 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  
Martin P. Dumont, Sr.  
Martin Pepin  
Donald Austin  
Matt Gerding

*Approved:*

City Attorney



**City of Somersworth – Resolution 37-21**

**History**

First Read Date:	05/03/2021	Tabled:	
Public Hearing:		Removed from Table:	
Second Read:			

**Discussion**

05/03/2021

*Resolution No. 37-21 will remain in first read 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	Dumont		
Ward 4 Councilor	Austin		
Ward 5 Councilor	Michaud		
At Large Councilor	Witham		
At Large Councilor	Gerding		
At Large Councilor	Cameron		
At Large Councilor	Paradis		
<b>TOTAL VOTES:</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>On //</b>	<b>Resolution 37-21</b>	<b>PASSED</b>	<b>FAILED</b>