

## Chelsea, Massachusetts June 3, 2019

A Regular meeting of the Chelsea City Council was held. The meeting was held at the Chelsea City Hall located at 500 Broadway, Chelsea Massachusetts 02150. The following Councilors were present: Councilor Garcia, Vidot, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Perlatonda, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Council President Vidot presided over the meeting. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

# Memoriums and celebratory resolutions:

The following Resolution was received late. No objections. It was introduced by Councilor Vidot and all members of the City Council. A motion from Councilor Robinson to adopt under suspension was adopted.

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, individuals who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (referred to in this resolution as LGBTQ) include individuals from all States and the District of Columbia and all faiths, races, national origins, socioeconomic statuses, education levels, and political beliefs, and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ people in the United States have made, and continue to make, vital contributions to the United States and to the world in every aspect, and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ people in the United States serve, and have served, the United States Army, Coast Guard, Navy, Air Force, and Marines, honorably and with distinction and bravery, and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ people in the United States have fought for equal treatment, dignity, and respect, and have achieved significant milestones, ensuring that future generations of LGBTQ people in the United States will enjoy a more equal and just society, and

WHEREAS, despite being marginalized throughout the history of the United States, LGBTQ people in the United States continue to celebrate their identities, love, and contributions to the United States in various expressions of Pride; and

WHEREAS, the Chelsea LGBTQ Coalition will raise the Pride flag for a fourth year5 in a row in Chelsea, on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, in honor of LGNTQ Pride Month, now therefore, BE IT

RESOLVED, that we the Members of the Chelsea City Council officially recognize June as LGBTQ Pride Month and celebrate and support the LGBTQ Community in Chelsea and beyond.

### **Public Hearing:**

The public hearing on the Proposed FY20 Budget opened at 7:05 p.m. The following came forward to speak:

School Committee Woman Jeannette Velez, spoke in support of the school Budget proposal.

School Committee Woman Rosemary Carlise, spoke in support of the school Budget proposal.

President of the Chelsea Teachers Union, spoke in support

Ms. Dixon 28 Warren Avenue, spoke in support

Supt. of School Mary Bourque, spoke in support of the School Budget.

City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino, spoke in full support of the entire Budget.

The public hearing closed at 7:16 p.m.

#### **Public Speaking:**

The public speaking portion opened at 7:17 and closed at 7:18. No speakers.

The minutes of the City Council Meeting dated May 20, 2019 were approved at the request of Councilor Lopez under suspension.

The minutes of the Special Meeting dated May 28, 2019 were approved at the request of Councilor Garcia under suspension.

## **Communications from the City Manager:**

The following communication was read from City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino. A motion from Councilor Robinson to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150 Re: Notice of Waiver Intent

# **Dear Councilors:**

Pursuant to the Administrative Code Section 1.12.02, I am writing to notify you of my intention to hire Mr. Christopher Maggio, 44 Green Street, Lynnfield Massachusetts for the part –time position of Guitar Instructor and to grant him a waiver from the residency requirement set forth in the Administrative Code, Part IV, Section 1.12.01. There were no other candidates for this position. A copy of Mr. Maggio's resume is attached.

In accordance with Section 1.12.02, I request that you provide me with any comments on the proposed waiver within seven days.

Sincerely, Thomas G. Ambrosino City Manager

The following communication was read from City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino. A motion from Councilor Brown to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway Chelsea Massachusetts 032150

Re: Public Safety Grants

**Dear Councilors:** 

In response to the recent City Council Order requesting information on grants to the Police, Fire and E-911 Departments, I have attached emails from each Department identifying all existing grants including dollar values and expiration dates.

Please let me know if you require any further information on this issue.

Sincerely, Thomas G. Ambrosino City Manager

The following communication was read from City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino. A motion from Councilor Robinson moved the appointments to Boards and Commissions to a second read under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: Appointments to Boards and Commissions

**Dear Councilors:** 

Pursuant to Section 4-2 of the City of Chelsea. I am writing to recommend the following individuals to Boards and Commissions in the City.

For appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals as the Associate Member, Ms. Joan Cromwell, 38 Addison St. Chelsea, to fill the unexpired term of Henry Wilson. This town expires on June 30,2021.

For appointment to the Planning Board, Ms. Sharon Caulfield, 26 Breakwater Cove, Chelsea, to fill the unexpired term of Joan Cromwell. This term expires on February 25,2022.

For appointment to the Planning Board, Mr. Eric Asquith, 20 Willard St. Chelsea to fil the unexpired term of Oliver del Melle, who resigned. This term expires on October 6,2020.

For appointment to the Planning Board Ms. Sara Arman 50 Garfield Avenue, Chelsea, to fill the unexpired term of Indira Alfaro, who resigned. This term expires on September 23,2021.

For appointment to the Human Rights Commission, Ms. Adele F. Schlotzhauer, 9 Admirals Way, Chelsea, for a new three year term commencing on July 1,2019 and expiring in 2022.

For re-appointment to the Cultural Council, Mr. Dakeya Christmas, 67 Cook Ave. Chelsea, for a new three year term expiring 2022.

I respectfully request your approval of these appointment. I have attached resumes for all of the new appointments.

Sincerely, Thomas G. Ambrosino City Manager

The following communication was read from City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino. A motion from Councilor Recupero to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: Gas Usage for Take Home Vehicles

#### Dear Councilors;

In response to the recent City Council Order requesting information on gasoline usage by take home vehicles, I have attached reports from each of the Departments with such vehicles (Police, Fire, E-911, DPW and ISD) identifying the driver and gas usage.

Please let me know if you require any further information on this issue.

Sincerely, Thomas G. Ambrosino City Manager

The following communication was read from City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino. A motion from Councilor Bishop moved the communication to the Sub-Committee on Conference under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council

Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: City Council Approved of PEG Access Funds

**Dear Councilors:** 

I am writing to request several votes that are necessary to continue to expend funds provided annually by Comcast pursuant to its Cable Television Renewal License for public, educational and governmental (PEG) access facilities and operations. These votes are required based upon new are required based upon new statutory requirements implemented by the State Legislature in 2014

Previously, for the past 20+ years, municipalities simply collected funds from their respective cable television licenses for the purpose of operating local cable companies and school and government access channels without need for complicated accounting. Typically, as was the case in Chelsea, all that was required was some type of Memorandum of Understanding between the parties that allowed the funds to flow from the City (upon receipt from the cable company) to the School Dept. and/or local cable access non-profit.

Unfortunately, in 2014, the State Legislature changed these longstanding rules and required that cities and towns either establish an Enterprise Fund (similar to water and sewer) or establish a Special Fund and have their local legislative body budget monies for appropriation each and every year.

Municipalities have been complaining about these unnecessary rules and how the Legislature complicated a previously simple process, for several years. For a time, the Massachusetts Department of Revenue deferred implementation of the new law in the hopes that the Legislature would remedy the problem. However, the Legislature has not done so, and DOR has declined any further delay in implementation. The new rules take effect on July 1, 2019. In order to continue to expend funds provided annually from Comcast for PEG access, including the monies that support the continued operation of Chelsea Community Cable Television, it is imperative that the City proceed under these new guidelines and adopt the necessary votes. (The DOR Guidelines is attached for your review.)

Specifically, I am requesting two votes.

First, that the City Council adopt new M.G.L. c. 44, Section 53F3/4 and establish a PEG Access and Cable Related Fund commencing in Fiscal Year 2020 (July 1,2019). All future Comcast payments under the Renewal License will be paid into this fund. By the terms of our 10 year contract with Comcast, these payments amount to approximately 5% of Gross Annual Revenues.

In order to spend money from this new PEG Access and Cable Related Fund, the City Council must appropriate money annually for the specific PEG Access provided in the City. There are three entities that provide such PEG Access and will be spending money from this Fund on an annual basis; Chelsea Community Cable Television (which historically has been allocated 62.22% of annual revenues); the School Department (historically 22.22% of annual revenues); and the City (historically 15.56% of annual revenues). The City uses its funds for items such as translation services and equipment in the City Council Chambers.

From this point, the City Council must approve an annual fiscal Budget for each of these three entities in order to expend these Comcast funds. Accordingly I am requesting approval of the attached three budgets from Chelsea Community Cable Television, the School Department and the City. The total requested FY20 Budgets for these three entities are as follows; Chelsea Community Cable Television \$264,367.00: School Dept. \$312,000.00; and City \$85,000.00.

For the above reasons, I respectfully request your approval of these attached Orders. In the absence of these votes, all cable related monies will be closed out to the City's Free Cash as of June 30, 2019, thereby ceasing all operations of Chelsea Community Cable Television and School Department programming.

Sincerely, Thomas G Ambrosino City Manager

The following communication was read from City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino. A motion from Councilor Recupero to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: Soundproofing Program

**Dear Councilors:** 

I am writing in response to the two recent Council Orders requesting that I establish a soundproofing program for Chelsea residents and fund it with 50% of the annual mitigation payments from Massport.

I am not opposed to provide funding for soundproofing to residents adversely impacted by airport related noise. Deciding who should qualify for such grants, and how to prioritize areas of the City, might Be a bit challenging. But, I feel that with some time, we can work out those details, together in collaboration with the City Council.

However, the Council's proposed funding mechanism is a bit problematic. The annual mitigation payment from Massport, currently at \$600,000 annually (although Massport has not yet agreed to this payment for FY20) cannot be directly utilized for this purpose. The Massport payment is considered by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue as a Pilot payment (Payment in Lieu of Taxes). Accordingly, it is considered, a General Revenue source deposited to the City's General Fund. It cannot be directly appropriated to any purpose. Instead, along with the other PILOT payments to the City, it is a General Revenue source that supports and funds our annual Budget.

If the Council desires to depend upon this Massport payment to help fund a soundproofing program at the level of \$300,000 annually, it must appropriate the \$300,000 separately. It can do that either in an annual Budget line item, or as an isolated appropriation from a source such as Stabilization or Free Cash. My recommendation would be that the City commit to appropriating \$300,000 for this purpose annually from Free Cash whenever available, rather than make it permanent part of the budget. This way,

funding occurs when the City has a surplus. This is similar to how we currently handle the pilot Senior Transportation Program and the pilot Bunker Hill Tuition program. If we proceed in this fashion, funding should be available upon the DOR's Free Cash Certification for the close of Fy19, a determination that the City will likely receive no later than January of 2020. In the meantime, we could work on setting up the program qualifications.

Sincerely, Thomas G. Ambrosino City Manager

The following communication was read from City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino. A motion from Councilor Robinson to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: Year-End Financial Requests

**Dear Councilors:** 

I am writing to request some final votes to address some end-of-year financial matters, including the need for some supplemental appropriations to cover deficits. The details are as follows.

Salary Deficits-Funded by Salary Reserve Transfers-\$85,000.00

There are some salary accounts that have inadequate funding. Some pertain to salary adjustments that were made after submission of the FY19 Budget.

The specific amounts are:

Legislative Dept.-Regular Salary--\$6,400.00.
Auditing Dept.-Overtime--\$2,000.00
Purchasing-Regular Salary--\$150.00
Assessors Dept.-Overtime-\$1,500.00
Treasurers-Regular Salary--\$1,250.00
DPW Streets/Sidewalks-Overtime--\$10,000.00
HHS Admin.-Regular Salary \$2,175.00
Medicare--\$22,756.00

The amount required to fund these salary deficits is \$85,000.00. There are sufficient funds remaining in the FY19 Salary Reserve Account to cover these deficits. Please note that an additional Medicare amount of \$31,244.00 will be requested from Free Cash, as the above noted transfers have exhausted the Salary Reserve balance.

Other Deficits-Funded by Free Cash--\$202,948.00

There are only three operating accounts that are running deficits. Two of the deficits are in snow accounts; Snow Removal Contracts Services-\$71,428.00; and DPW Snow Removal Salt--\$75,276.00. The other deficit is in the Judgement Account, which is short \$25,000.

The final amount requested from Free Cash is to cover the remaining deficit in the Employee Benefits Medicare line item. That line had a total deficit of \$54,000. But, \$22,756. Of this deficit is covered by the Salary Reserve transfer requested above. The balance of \$31,244 is needed from Free Cash.

### Reauthorization of Revolving Funds-No Funding Required

Last year, the Chelsea City Council adopted an Ordinance establishing six revolving funds that allow certain Departments in the City to retain revenues raised by the Department and to use them for department expenditures. However, the Ordinance requires that, each fiscal year, the City Council vote the expenditure limits for these accounts. The accounts established by Ordinance that need new limits for FY20 are as follows

- a. Elder Affairs (Senior Center) Revolving Account -\$1,000
- b. Planning and Development Tax Title Foreclosure Revolving Account-\$100,000
- c. Public Library Revolving Account-\$20,000
- d. Emergency Management Revolving Account-\$30,000
- e. Inspectional Services Revolving Account-\$30,000
- f. Community Schools Revolving Account-\$100,000

In addition to these six revolving funds created by City Ordinance, there is one additional School Department revolving fund that requires annual reauthorization. That is the School Department Non-Resident Student Tuition Revolving Account. We are requesting an expenditure limit of \$250,000 for that account. This account contains tuition payments from other public school systems which use the CPS special education program. The funds are expended for program delivery.

#### Prior Year Expenses—No Funding Required

When the City is unable to effectuate payment to a vendor in the year that the goods or services are provided, Council approval is required to disburse payment from the current year department budget for the prior year obligation. The following School Department items from FY16, FY17 and FY18 require payment in FY19.

Cooling & Heating Specialists-services from FY18 \$6,292.16
Ei-US LLC-Special Ed tutoring Services in FY17 and FY18 \$1,317.25
May Institute –Special Ed Tuition from FY18---\$2,788.50
Patrick J Kennedy & Sons, Inc.-plumbing repairs from FY18---\$5,391.07
Pitney Bowes-lease payments from FY16--\$2,414.34
School Specialty-school supply invoices from FY18---\$1,628.91
Shore Educational Collaborative-Special Ed tuition from FY18--\$11,466.80

The total amount of these payments is \$31,299.03. The School Department has sufficient funds to meet all these outstanding obligations. Therefore, no funds are required. The only action necessary is Council approval to make the payments.

Finally there is one prior year payment requested on the City side. This is a payment of \$262.45 to cover an old invoice for Ricoh USA, Inc. for a copier lease payment. The HR Department has sufficient funds to make this payment.

Donations—No Funding Required

Pursuant to M.G.L. C. 44 &53A, the City Council must approve acceptance of any gift to the City. This past year, a gift in the amount of \$1,000 was received by the Chelsea Public Library from MS. Janice Lourie. This gift requires Council approval.

CIP Transfers to Fully Fund Maverick Street Construction—No New Funding

My final year-end financial request to the ongoing Maverick Street Project. That comprehensive utility and road reconstruction project is entering its final stages with sidewalk and asphalt work and should be completed this Summer.

At this point, the City desires to cover a portion of the sewer costs on Maverick Street with funds from five completed CIP Sewer Projects totaling \$228,739.08. Using funds will allow for the City to reduce its sewer borrowing for this project. The surplus sewer money is available in the following existing accounts for completed CIP Sewer Projects; Webster Avenue (\$10,186.08); Tide Gate CH004 Replacement (\$9,989.90); Lash Street Project (\$27,074.30). Gardner Street Project (\$35,201.60); and Forsyth Street Project (\$146,287.20). There is no funding required.

For the reasons set forth in detail above, I respectfully ask that the City Council approve all of these requested actions. The required Orders to effectuate these requests are attached.

Sincerely Thomas G. Ambrosino City Manager

The following late communication was read without objection. A motion from Councilor Robinson to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council Chelsea City Hall 500 Broadway Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: Notice of Waiver Intent

Dear Councilors:

Pursuant to the Administrative Code Section 1.12.02, I am writing to notify you of my intention to hire Ms. Kymberleigh Lamson, 220 University Ave. Lowell, Massachusetts for the position of E911 Dispatcher and to grant her a waiver from the residency requirement set forth in the Administrative Code, Part IV Section 1.12.01. Ms. Lamson has considerable dispatching experience. A copy of Ms. Lamsons's resume is attached.

In accordance with Section 1.12.02, I request that you provide me with any comments on the proposed waiver within seven days.

Sincerely Thomas G. Ambrosino City Manager

### Communications and petitions to the Council:

A copy of a communication was received from City/Parking Clerk Jeannette Cintron White regarding the actions approved at the May 7, 2019 Traffic and Parking Commission meeting. A motion from Councilor Robinson to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

A copy of a communication was received from Chairperson of the Chelsea Community Preservation Committee, Jose Agustin Iraheta Zaldafia, regarding two additional recommendations for grants from the Community Preservation Fund. A motion from Councilor Bishop referred it to the sub-committee on conference under suspension.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

The CIP FY 2020 Loan Order was acted upon under Unfinished Business. Councilor Brown at the May 28, 2019 meeting had amended the Order and it was approved 6-0-5-0. Voting yes were Councilors Vidot, Lopez, Brown, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Absent were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Perlatonda, and Tejada. Councilor Robinson had amended the Order and it was approved 6-0-5-0. Voting yes were Councilors Vidot, Lopez, Brown, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Absent were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Perlatonda, and Tejada. The final amendment offered by Councilor Robison at the May 25, 2019 meeting was defeated 0-6-5-0. Voting no were Councilors Vidot, Lopez, Brown, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Absent were Councilor Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Perlatonda, and Tejada. Under Unfinished Business the June 3<sup>rd</sup> vote on the CIP as amended was approved at the request of Councilor Robinson for roll call 11-0-0-0. Voting yes were Councilors Garcia, Vidot, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Perlatonda, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero.

The amendments offered at the May 28, 2019 meeting were: Presented by Councilor Brown (Adopted) Be it amended

Relative to the FY20 Capital Improvement Plan

Project #45, Upper Broadway Water and Sewer Replacement

Decrease Sewer Utility Borrowing from \$4,000,000 to \$3,000,000, and change financing source to MWRA Infill and Inflation Program (25% Loan, 75% Grant).

Project #11, Municipal Water Meter Project-\$300,000

Change financing source to Enterprise Retained Earnings from Free Cash Water Enterprise Retained Earnings-\$150,000.

Sewer Enterprise Retained Earnings-\$150,000

Project #6 Mary C. Burke Elementary School Roof and Envelope Repair (Phase 2)-\$825,000

Change financing to Free Cash School Stabilization.

## Presented by Councilor Robinson (adopted).

**BE IT AMENDED** 

Relative to the FY20 Capital Improvement Plan, Delete Project #40, Master Plan, \$450,000.

### Presented by Councilor Robinson (Defeated)

BE IT AMENDED

Relative to the FY20 Capital Improvement Plan, Reduce Project #21, Annual Project, by \$175,000.

## Adopted June 3rd as Amended

City of Chelsea Massachusetts Fiscal Year 202 Capital Improvement Program Loan Order

BE IT ORDERED: That the various capital projects and equipment purchases shown under the heading of Grant Funding on the Schedule attached hereto (the "Schedule"), and consisting of: Miscellaneous Grants (\$1,360,000) MWRA Sewer Grant (\$2,250,000) and Chapter 90 (\$596,000), for a total of \$4,206,000, shall be undertaken and financed by grants or other funds as shown on the Schedule, such grants to be expended under the direction of the City Manager and that the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to apply for, accept and expend any state or federal grants that are or may become available for these purposes; and

That the total sum of \$3,365,000 be and hereby is appropriated to pay the costs of various capital projects and equipment purchases, show on the schedule under the headings; General Obligation Bonds, (\$1,165,000); Sewer Fund Borrowing (\$550,000) and Water Fund Borrowing (\$1,650,000) including the payment of any and all design, engineering, construction and installation costs associated therewith, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto; and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the City Manager, is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$3,365,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 and 8, of the General Laws, as amended, Chapter 44A of the General Laws, as amended or pursuant to any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor; and

That the sum of \$2,000,000, be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of water system improvements eligible for financial assistance through the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority's Local Water System Assistance Program (LWSAP), including the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related thereto; and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the City Manager, is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$2,000,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 and 8, of the General Laws,

as amended, Chapter 44A of the General Laws, as amended or pursuant to any other enabling authority and to tissue bonds or notes of the City therefore; and

That the sum of \$750,000, be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of sewer system improvements eligible for financial assistance through the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority's Community Infiltration/Inflow Local Financial Assistance Program, including the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related thereto; and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the City Manager, is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$650,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 and 8, of the General Laws, as amended, Chapter 44A of the General Laws, As amended or pursuant to any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor; and

That the sum of \$4,765,459 be and hereby is appropriated from Free Cash to pay the costs of various capital project purchases, shown on the Schedule under the heading, Free Cash; and

That the sum of \$150,000 be and hereby is appropriated from Retained Earnings in the Water Enterprise Fund to pay the costs of the municipal water replacement project, shown on the Schedule under the heading, Free Cash; and

That the sum of \$150,000 be and hereby is appropriated from Retained Earnings in the Sewer Enterprise Fund to pay the costs of the municipal sewer replacement project, shown on the Schedule under the heading, Free Cash; and

That the sum of \$2,350,000 be and hereby is appropriated from School Stabilization to pay the costs of two projects named as the Williams School Roof and Envelope Repairs Project and the MCB School Playground Project shown on the Schedule under the heading School Stabilization, with said funds for the school projects to be available upon approval of the Loan Order; and

Ordered: That the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "Commonwealth") to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all bonds of the City authorized pursuant to this Order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as such officials of the Commonwealth may require in connection therewith. Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this Loan Order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs if issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this Loan Order in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

The Annual Operating City Budget for the FY'20 was brought to the floor for adoption by Councilor Robinson under suspension. The amendments offered to the Budget prior to the overall budget were:

Offered by Councilor Perlatonda, passed 7-3-1-0. Voting yes were Councilors Garcia, Lopez, Perlatonda, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Voting no were Councilors Avellaneda, Rodriguez, and Brown. Councilor Vidot recused herself.

Amendment: to decrease the expenditure appropriation of Emergency Management Department (0123052) in the amount of \$1,300 from \$1,541,137 to \$1,539,837.

The following amendment offered by Councilor Vidot was defeated 5-6-0-0. Voting yes were Councilors Vidot, Rodriguez, Lopez, Bishop, and Recupero. Voting no were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Brown, Perlatonda, Tejada, and Robison.

Amendment: to decrease the salary appropriation of Planning and Development (0117551) in the amount of \$80,000.

The following amendment offered by Councilor Vidot was defeated 3-7-0-1. Voting yes were Councilors Vidot, Lopez, and Bishop. Voting no were Councilors Garcia, Rodriguez, Brown, Perlatonda, Tejada, Robinson, and Recupero. Councilor Avellaneda recused himself.

Amendment: to decrease the salary appropriation of Fire Department (0122051) in the amount of \$50,000.

The following amendment offered by Councilor Perlatonda was defeated 4-7-0-0. Voting yes were Councilors Brown, Perlatonda, Robinson, and Recupero. Voting no were Councilors Garcia, Vidot, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Tejada, and Recupero.

Amendment: to decrease the salary appropriation of Emergency Management Department (0123051) in the amount \$100,000 from \$1,393,137 to \$1,293,137.

The following amendment offered by Councilor Vidot was defeated 4-7-0-0. Voting yes were Councilors Vidot, Rodriguez, Lopez, and Bishop. Voting no were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Brown, Perlatonda, Tejada, Robinson, and Recupero.

Amendment: to decrease the salary appropriation of Chelsea Police Department (0121051) in the amount of \$100,000.

The following amendment offered by Councilor Perlatonda was defeated 3-7-0-1. Voting yes were Councilors Avellaneda, Brown, and Perlatonda. Voting no were Councilors Garcia, Rodriguez, Lopez, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Councilor Vidot recused herself.

Amendment: to decrease the salary appropriation of the Water Enterprise Fund (601051) in the amount of \$163,600, from \$415,970 to \$252,370.

The following amendment offered by Councilor Perlatonda was defeated 2-8-0-1. Voting yes were Councilors Brown, and Perlatonda. Voting no were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Councilor Vidot recused herself.

Amendment: to decrease the operations and maintenance appropriation of the Water Enterprise Fund (601052) in the amount of \$65,500, from \$7,201,696 to \$7,136,196.

The following amendment offered by Councilor Perlatonda was defeated 2-8-0-1. Voting yes were Councilors Brown and Perlatonda. Voting no were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Councilor Vidot recused herself.

Amendment: to decrease the capital appropriation of the Water Enterprise Fund (601058) in the amount of \$546,500 from \$1,867,404 to \$1,320,904.

The following amendments offered by Councilor Perlatonda were defeated on one roll call 1-9-0-1. Voting yes was Councilor Perlatonda. Voting no were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Councilor Vidot recused herself.

Amendment: to decrease the salary appropriation of the Sewer Enterprise Fund (600051) in the amount of \$163,600 from \$415,970 to \$252,370.

Amendment: to decrease the operations and maintenance appropriation of the Sewer Enterprise Fund (600052) in the amount of \$65,500, from \$11,876,401 to \$11,810,901

Amendment: to decrease the capital appropriation of the Sewer Enterprise Fund (600058) in the amount of \$546,500 from \$1,809,732 to \$1,263,232.

The **General Budget** in the amount of \$181,486,465.00 was voted on as mended by Councilor Robinson and approved 8-3-0-0. Voting yes were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Tejada, Robinson and Recupero. Voting no were Councilors Vidot, Perlatonda, and Bishop.

Introduced by Councilor Brown. Passed 11-0-0-0. Voting yes were Councilors Garcia, Vidot, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Perlatonda, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero.

Order Concerning Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019

Ordered, that the City appropriations and assessments in the General Fund are to be financed in part by Certified Free Cash of the City of Chelsea as follows:

Free cash \$694,418

Introduced by Councilor Brown. Passed 9-1-0-1. Voting byes were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Voting no was Councilor Perlatonda. Recused Councilor Vidot.

Order concerning appropriations for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019
Ordered that the following sums, designated as appropriations, are hereby appropriated in the Water Enterprise Fund of the City of Chelsea as follows:

Water Enterprise Salaries Appropriations \$ 415.970

Operations Maintenance \$7,201,696 Capital Appropriations \$1,867.404 Total \$9,485,070

Introduced by Councilor Brown. Passed 9-1-0-1. Voting yes were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Perlatonda, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Voting no was Councilor Perlatonda. Recused Councilor Vidot.

Order concerning Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019
Ordered that the following sums, designated as appropriations, are hereby appropriated in the Sewer Enterprise Fund of the City of Chelsea as follows:

**Sewer Enterprise** Salaries Appropriations \$415,970

Operations and Maintenance \$11,876,401 Capital Appropriations \$1,809,732 Total \$14,102,103

Introduced by Councilor Brown Passed 9-1-0-1. Voting yes were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop and Recupero. Voting no Councilor Perlatonda. Recused Councilor Vidot.

Order Concerning Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019
Ordered, that the City appropriations and assessments in the Water Enterprise Fund are to be financed in part by Certified Retained Earnings-Water Fund of the City of Chelsea as follows:

Retained Earnings-Water Fund \$775,600

Introduced by Councilor Brown. Passed 9-1-0-1. Voting yes were Councilors Garcia, Avellaneda, Rodriguez, Lopez, Brown, Tejada, Robinson, Bishop, and Recupero. Councilor Perlatonda voted no. Recused Councilor Vidot.

Order Concerning Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019
Ordered that the City appropriations and assessments in the Sewer Enterprise Fund are to be financed in part by Certified Retained Earnings-Sewer Fund of the City of Chelsea as follows:

Retained Earnings-Sewer Fund

\$775,600

#### **New Business:**

The following Orders were introduced by Councilor Brown. Councilor Brown moved all of the orders to a second reading under suspension.

ORDERED, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$6,400.00 from

the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019 Legislative

- Regular Salary Account #0111051-510200.

ORDERED, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$2,000.00 from

the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019 Auditing

Department – Overtime Account #0113551-510400.

ORDERED, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$150.00 from

the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019

Procurement Department - Regular Salary Account #0113851-510200.

ORDERED,	that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$1,500.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019 Assessors Department – Overtime Account #0114151-510400.
ORDERED,	that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$1,250.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019 Treasurers Department — Regular Salary Account #0114551-510200.
ORDERED,	that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019 DPW Streets & Sidewalks Department – Overtime Account #0142251-510400.
ORDERED,	that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$38,769.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019 DPW Snow Removal Department – Overtime Account #0142351-510400.
ORDERED,	that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$2,175.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019 HHS Admin Department – Regular Salary Account #0151051-510200.
ORDERED,	that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$22,756.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY 2019 Employee Benefit – Medicare Account #0191051-517600.

# **Revolving Funds**

WHEREAS, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §53E½, the City has adopted a new Ordinance, Section 2-200, authorizing six revolving funds; and

WHEREAS, each year, the Ordinance requires the City to annually vote on or before July 1 on the amount that may be spent from each of these revolving funds during the upcoming fiscal year;

Now, therefore, IT IS ORDERED:

# Chelsea Community Schools (#4407):

Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$100,000 in a single fiscal year;

All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$100,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

# Elder Affairs Revolving Fund (#3802)

Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$1,000 in a single fiscal year;

All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$1,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

### **Emergency Management Hazardous Material Revolving Fund (#4615)**

Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$30,000 in a single fiscal year;

All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$30,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

#### Vacant, Unsafe Buildings and Nuisance Properties Revolving Fund (#4627)

Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$30,000 in a single fiscal year;

All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$30,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

Tax Title Foreclosure Properties Revolving Fund (#4631)

Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$100,000 in a single fiscal year;

All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$100,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

### Chelsea Public Library Revolving Fund (#4201)

Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$20,000 in a single fiscal year;

All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$20,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

Be it ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Chelsea, as follows:

Pursuant to Section 3-5 of the City of Chelsea Ordinances, and pursuant to Chapter 44 sec 53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the City Council hereby accepts the gift to the Chelsea Public Library to support the Library operations in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Janice R. Lourie.

AN ORDER TRANSFERING PROCEEDS OF A BORROWING THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT FOR WHICH THEY WERE ORIGINALLY BORROWED, TO PAY COSTS OF AN ALTERNATIVE CAPITAL PROJECT, AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 44, SECTION 20 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Ordered:

That in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$10,186.08 representing the unexpended portion of the \$400,000.00 borrowed under the Fiscal Year 2011 Capital Improvement Plan for sewer improvements — Webster Avenue Sewer Replacement Project 55401109-584503 but which is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$10,186.08 to supplement sewer improvements for the FY19 Maverick Street Improvement Project — Account 55451929 series.

AN ORDER TRANSFERING PROCEEDS OF A BORROWING THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT FOR WHICH THEY WERE ORIGINALLY BORROWED, TO PAY COSTS OF AN ALTERNATIVE CAPITAL PROJECT, AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 44, SECTION 20 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Ordered:

That in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$9,989.90 representing the unexpended portion of the \$60,000.00 borrowed under the Fiscal Year 2011 Capital Improvement Plan for sewer and drainage improvements – Tide Gate CH004 Replacement Project 55451196-584503 but which is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$9,989.90 to supplement sewer improvements for the FY19 Maverick Street Improvement Project – Account 55451929 series.

AN ORDER TRANSFERING PROCEEDS OF A BORROWING THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT FOR WHICH THEY WERE ORIGINALLY BORROWED, TO PAY COSTS OF AN ALTERNATIVE CAPITAL PROJECT, AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 44, SECTION 20 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Ordered:

That in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$27,074.30 representing the unexpended portion of the \$311,000.00 borrowed under the Fiscal Year 2013 Capital Improvement Plan for sewer improvements —

Lash Street Improvement Project 554511310-584503 but which is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$27,074.30 to supplement sewer improvements for the FY19 Maverick Street Improvement Project – Account 55451929 series.

AN ORDER TRANSFERING PROCEEDS OF A BORROWING THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT FOR WHICH THEY WERE ORIGINALLY BORROWED, TO PAY COSTS OF AN ALTERNATIVE CAPITAL PROJECT, AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 44, SECTION 20 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Ordered:

That in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$35,201.60 representing the unexpended portion of the \$650,000.00 borrowed under the Fiscal Year 2014 Capital Improvement Plan for sewer improvements – Gardner Street Improvement Project 554511410-584503 but which is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$35,201.60 to supplement sewer improvements for the FY19 Maverick Street Improvement Project – Account 55451929 series.

AN ORDER TRANSFERING PROCEEDS OF A BORROWING THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT FOR WHICH THEY WERE ORIGINALLY BORROWED, TO PAY COSTS OF AN ALTERNATIVE CAPITAL PROJECT, AS AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 44, SECTION 20 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

Ordered:

That in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$146,287.20 representing the unexpended portion of the \$550,000.00 borrowed under the Fiscal Year 2014 Capital Improvement Plan for sewer improvements – Forsyth Street Improvement Project 554511411-584503 but which is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$146,287.20 to supplement sewer improvements for the FY19 Maverick Street Improvement Project – Account 55451929 series.

ORDERED,

that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$25,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2019 Judgements – Claims/Judgements Account # 0194152-521200.

ORDERED,

that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$71,428.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2019 DPW Snow Removal – Contract Services Account # 0142352-530600, to provide supplemental funds for final snow and ice operations.

ORDERED,

that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$75,276.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2019 DPW Snow Removal – Salt Account # 0142352-546300, to provide supplemental funds for final snow and ice operations.

ORDERED,

that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$31,244.00 from Free Cash to the FY 2019 Employee Benefit – Medicare Account #0191051-517600.

ORDERED, that in accordance with M.G.L Ch. 44, Section 64, budget management procedures, whereby costs incurred in FY'16 were not paid and is owed to the vendor, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY'19 budget, that Council authorize the expenditure of \$2,414.34 from the School Department expenditure line to satisfy the unpaid Office Equipment Lease costs owed to Pitney Bowes.

ORDERED, that in accordance with M.G.L Ch. 44, Section 64, budget management procedures, whereby costs incurred in FY'17 and FY'18 were not paid and are owed to the vendor, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY'19 budget, that Council authorize the expenditure of \$1,317.25 from the School Department expenditure line to satisfy the unpaid special education tutoring service costs owed to Ei-US LLC.

ORDERED, that in accordance with M.G.L Ch. 44, Section 64, budget management procedures, whereby costs incurred in FY'18 were not paid and are owed to the vendor, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY'19 budget, that Council authorize the following expenditures from the School Department expenditure line to satisfy the unpaid balance from the prior year, as follows:.

Cooling & Heating Specialists

Cooling & Heating services

\$ 6,292.16

May Institute (The)

Special Ed Tuition

\$ 2,788.50

Patrick J. Kennedy & Sons, Inc. Plumbing repairs \$ 5,391.07

School Specialty School Supply invoices \$ 1,628.91

Shore Educational Collaborative Special Ed Tuition from 11,466.80

ORDERED, that in accordance with M.G.L Ch. 44, Section 64, budget management procedures, whereby costs incurred in FY'18 were not paid and are owed to the vendor, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY'19 budget, that Council authorize the expenditure of \$262.45 from the Human Resources Department expenditure line to satisfy the unpaid copier lease costs owed to Ricoh USA, Inc.

### **Authorization of a Revolving Account**

## For the School Department Non-Resident Student Tuition Revolving Fund

WHEREAS, Section 71F of Chapter 71 of the General Laws authorizes cities and towns to accept and establish departmental revolving funds subject to certain budgetary restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chelsea School Committee adopted and implemented a tuition fee to be charged to other public school systems wishing to use the Chelsea Public Schools' special education programs and further voted to establish a Non-Resident Student Tuition revolving fund for the receipt and disbursement of said tuition and fees collected by Chelsea Public Schools.

**THEREFORE**, subject to the following conditions, the City Council hereby authorizes the establishment of a revolving fund for the School Department in accordance with the provisions of Section 71F of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Only proceeds received by the City, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 71 section 71F shall be credited to the fund;
- 2) Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$250,000 in a single fiscal year;
- 3) All proceeds received in a single year after the fund has reached a balance of \$250,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;
- 4) Expenditures from this fund shall be authorized by the School Committee or their designee and shall not exceed the available balance of the revolving fund;

5) Such funds shall be expended only for purposes directly associated provisions of M.G.L. c. 71 Section 71F;

6) No expenditure may be made from such revolving fund for the purposes of paying

full or part-time employee's wages or salaries unless the revolving fund is also charged for the costs

of fringe benefits associated with the wages or salaries so paid;

7) The School Department shall provide a report including all receipts and expenditures of this fund to the City Manager on a quarterly basis and to the City Council on an annual basis in

accordance with the provisions of Section 53E1/2 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws;

8) This revolving fund requires authorization for each ensuing fiscal year, and

9) This fund is hereby authorized until June 30, 2020.

The following order was introduced by Councilor Recupero and Robinson. Councilor Recupero moved to adopt under suspension and it was adopted.

Ordered, that a Subcommittee be held with Veterans Agent Francisco Toro to discuss Veterans Services.

The following order was introduced by Councilor Robinson. A motion from Councilor Robinson to adopt under suspension was adopted.

ORDERED, that the City Manager provide an update on the status of marijuana establishments that are looking to open in Chelsea.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul G. Casino

Clerk of the Chelsea City Council

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