



CITY OF CHELSEA, MA
City Council

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August 30, 2023

Ms. Jeannette Cintron White
City Clerk
500 Broadway
Chelsea, MA 02150

Dear Ms. Cintron White,

Please be advised that during the Special Meeting of the Chelsea City Council held on Monday, August 28, 2023, the City Council accepted and filed the following Minutes unanimously under suspension. Please find the complete Minutes attached.

- a. **ID#: 23M25** - Minutes of June 26, 2023- Regular Council Meeting

Sincerely,

Clifford Cunningham
Clerk, Chelsea City Council

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Chelsea City Council
Regular Meeting, June 26th, 2023

SUSPENSION

A regular meeting of the Chelsea City Council was held on June 26th, 2023. The meeting was held at Chelsea City Hall, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150. The following members of the Council were present: Councilors Brown, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recupero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Councilor J. Garcia arrived at 7:08 PM. Councilors De Jesus and Vega were absent. Council President Robinson presided over the meeting. The meeting opened at 7:05 PM.

At 7:06 PM, Councilor Hatleberg made a motion to suspend the rules and allow Mary Aicardi from the Collins Center to address the Council in regards to the City Manager Search Process.

At 7:09 PM, Councilor Hatleberg made a motion to suspend the rules to conduct a Swearing-In and Promotion Ceremony for the Chelsea Police Department.

The following new Officers were sworn-in: Albert Acevedo, Kevin Diaz, Jennifer Herrera and Rodrigo Fuentes.

The following promotions were conducted: Captain David Rizzuto, Lieutenant Joseph Fern and Sergeant Kyle Meehan.

At 7:26 PM, Councilor Robinson moved to take a recess. There were no objections. The meeting resumed at 7:42 PM.

MEMORIALS AND CELEBRATORY RESOLUTIONS:

ID#: 23R25 – The following Resolution was introduced by Councilor Taylor. A motion to adopt unanimously under suspension was made by Councilor Taylor and was adopted.

RESOLUTION
Sarah Jackson

WHEREAS, Sarah Jackson was Director of the Chelsea Public Library from 2014-2023, previously serving as the Children’s Librarian from 2008-2014; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure as Library Director, Sarah oversaw multiple large capital improvement projects, including the Rotunda Dome; and

WHEREAS, Sarah secured federal CARES, ARPA and LSTA grants, state and local grants, the SHRAB Archival grant, and the Moses J. Williams Jr. Trust Endowment to the Friends of the Library; and

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WHEREAS, Sarah launched an adult book club, instituted the Teen Takeover, and created the Teen Center; and

WHEREAS, Attendance for the annual Chelsea Reads Literacy Day quadrupled during her tenure as Library Director; and

WHEREAS, Sarah started the Library of Things, which has since expanded to include activities for adults, teenagers and children, such as lawn games a telescope, hotspots, a podcasting kit, laptops and musical instruments; and

WHEREAS, Sarah is beloved by library staff, trustees and patrons for her dedication to ensuring the Chelsea Public Library continues to play a vital role in the community; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Chelsea City Council, thank Sarah Jackson for her years of service to the Chelsea Public Library and the residents of the City of Chelsea, and wish her the best as she moves on to her new career opportunity.

At 7:48 PM, Councilor Taylor moved to take a short recess. There were no objections. The meeting resumed at 7:55 PM.

Councilor Brown moved to take the following agenda item – being read for the Second Time - out of order and adopt by Roll Call vote. There were no objections. The Order passed 9-0-2-0. Voting “Yes” were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recuperero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

ID#: 23CM62

The Honorable Chelsea City Council
Chelsea City Hall
500 Broadway
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Re: Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Dear Councilors:

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

For appointment to the Conservation Commission, Ms. Emily Van Heukelom, 59 Jefferson Avenue, Chelsea, for the recently vacated three year term expiring on December 15, 2023; and

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For appointment to the Chelsea Housing Authority, Mr. Stanley Troisi, 108 Springvale Avenue, Chelsea, to fill a city-designated position for the recently vacated five year term expiring on September 26, 2026.

I respectfully request your approval of these appointments. Copies of the resumes are attached.

Sincerely,

Ned Keefe
Acting City Manager

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PUBLIC SPEAKING:

The public speaking portion opened at 8:02 PM.

The following members of the Public spoke:

- David Dayton, Somerville, MA, founder of Clean Energy Solutions, spoke on the MicroGrid Project.
- Sarah Neville, 40 Eleanor Street, spoke on the MicroGrid Project.
- Sari Kayyali, Greenroots staff, spoke on the MicroGrid Project.

The public speaking portion closed at 8:15 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ID#: 23M24 - The minutes of the City Council Meeting dated June 5th, 2023 were approved at the request of Councilor Brown under suspension.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER:

ID#: 23CM68 - The following communication from Acting City Manager Ned Keefe was read. A motion to accept and file the communication unanimously under suspension was made by Councilor Vidot and was approved without objection.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council
Chelsea City Hall
500 Broadway
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Re: *Approval of Donation of Fitness Equipment to Senior Center*

Dear Councilors:

Pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, section 53 A1/2, I am writing to request that the City Council formally approve the donation of fitness equipment to the City. Last week, the owners of the Hilton Homewood Suites Chelsea, Lawrenceville LLC, at Beech Street and Carter Street, offered the fitness equipment as they undertake the closure and year-long renovation of the hotel facility. The approximately 10-pieces of fitness equipment will be utilized at the Senior Center.

Sincerely,
Ned Keefe
Acting City Manager

ID#: 23CM69 - The following communication from Acting City Manager Ned Keefe was read. A motion to accept and file the communication unanimously under suspension was made by Councilor Vidot and was approved without objection.

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Re: *Approval of Donation of Furniture to Police Department*

Dear Councilors:

Pursuant to Section 3-5 of the City of Chelsea Ordinances and M.G.L. c.44, section 53 A1/2, I am writing to request that the City Council formally approve the donation of furniture to the City. Mr. Mustapha Ettaik, the owner of H&H Furniture LLC, 306 Broadway, Chelsea, offered the donation of new furniture to support the fit out of the Chelsea Police Department. The 3-pieces of furniture have an estimated value of \$1,597.00.

Sincerely,
Ned Keefe
Acting City Manager

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS TO THE COUNCIL;

ID#:23C36 – A copy of a communication was received from the Traffic and Parking Commission regarding the agenda items approved at the June 6, 2023 T&P Commission Meeting. A motion to accept and file the communication unanimously under suspension was made by Councilor Recupero and was approved without objection.

ID#:23C37 - A copy of a communication was received from the Collins Center regarding extending the application deadline and adjusting compensation for the City Manager position. A motion to accept and file the communication unanimously under suspension was made by Councilor Hatleberg and was approved without objection.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ID#: 2384 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson. A motion to adopt by Roll Call vote was made by Councilor. The order passed 9-0-2-0. Voting “Yes” were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recupero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

Energy Management Services Agreement

WHEREAS, the City Administration, through the North Suffolk Office of Resilience and Sustainability, has procured and conducted an Investment Grade Audit through MGL c.25A §11i and 225 CMR 19.00 for the purposes of installing and operating battery energy storage systems, solar photovoltaics, and identifying further energy conservation measures; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Investment Grade Audit of city-owned properties was performed by Ameresco Inc., and Ameresco, Inc. has identified the aforementioned measures to provide cost savings to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Administration procured a Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Financing Proposal to finance such energy conservation measures through a Tax-Exempt Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement with Banc of America Public Capital Corp to realize such cost savings; and

WHEREAS, the City Administration desires to enter into a Tax-Exempt Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement with Banc of America Public Capital Corp, or one of its affiliates, to finance such energy conservation measures for a period of 15 years, and said Tax-Exempt Lease/Purchase Financing Proposal has been shared with the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Administration desires to enter into an Energy Services Management Agreement with Ameresco, Inc. to manage the installation of such energy

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conservation measures for a period of 20 years, and said agreement has been shared with the City Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED, that the City Council of the City of Chelsea authorizes the City Manager to enter into the Energy Management Services Agreement with Ameresco, Inc. for the duration of 20 years.

ID#: 23F47 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson. A motion to adopt by Roll Call vote was made by Councilor. The order passed 9-0-2-0. Voting “Yes” were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recupero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

**EQUIPMENT LEASE/PURCHASE AGREEMENT
(THE “AGREEMENT”)**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Chelsea, a duly organized and existing as a political subdivision, municipal corporation or similar public entity of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, is authorized by the laws of the Commonwealth to acquire, finance and lease personal property for the benefit of the City of Chelsea and its inhabitants and to enter into contracts with respect thereto;

WHEREAS, the City Council pursuant to Mass. General Laws c. 44, Section 21C, the City Manager recommends a lease purchase financing agreement for the acquisition of equipment that may be acquired through the issuance of debt under G.L. c. 44. Said equipment is for the improvement of the City’s utility and energy services, a capital asset, and that the term of such agreement shall not to exceed 15 years; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Chelsea Administration desires to acquire, finance and lease certain equipment with a cost not to exceed \$ 3,615,699.00 constituting personal property necessary for the City to perform essential governmental functions; and

WHEREAS, in order to acquire such Equipment, the City proposes to enter into that certain Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement (the “*Agreement*”) with Banc of America Public Capital Corp (or one of its affiliates) and the City Council has had the opportunity to review the Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it for the benefit of the residents of the City of Chelsea and for the efficient and effective administration thereof to enter into the Agreement and the other documentation relating to the acquisition, financing and leasing of the Equipment to be therein described on the terms and conditions therein and herein provided;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chelsea as follows:

It is hereby, found and determined that the terms of the Agreement, are in the best interests of the City of Chelsea for the acquisition, financing and leasing of the Equipment and that the form, terms and provisions of the Agreement are hereby approved in substantially the forms presented with such insertions, omissions and changes as shall be approved by the City Manager and/or the City Solicitor of the City of Chelsea;

It is hereby further ordered that the City of Chelsea, pursuant to General Laws Chapter 44, Section 21C, and upon the recommendation of the City Manager, authorizes the lease purchase financing agreements with the Banc of America, for the acquisition of equipment that may be acquired through the issuance of debt under G.L. c. 44 or improvement of a capital asset the improvement of which may be financed by the issuance of debt under G.L. c. 44, the term of such agreement not to exceed the useful life of the equipment or improvement as determined by the City Manager.

It is further hereby ordered, that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute, and the City Solicitor of the City of Chelsea is hereby authorized and directed to attest, the Agreement and any related Exhibits attached thereto and to deliver the Agreement (including such Exhibits) to the respective parties thereto, and the City Clerk of the City of Chelsea is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the City of Chelsea to such documents.

It is further ordered, that the City Administration shall take all action necessary or reasonably required by the parties to the Agreement to carry out, give effect to and consummate the transactions contemplated thereby including the execution and delivery of a Final Acceptance Certificate, an Escrow Agreement, Disbursement Requests and any tax certificate and agreement, as contemplated in the Agreement and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith, including, without limitation, the execution and delivery of any closing and other documents required to be delivered in connection with the Agreement.

It is further ordered, that the City of Chelsea appropriate the sum of \$249,855.89 from Free Cash for the payments required in the first fiscal year of the lease purchase financing agreement authorized by the City under General Laws Chapter 44, Section 21C, for equipment acquisition to improve the City's utility and energy services.

SECOND READINGS:

Councilor Hatleberg moved to consolidate the following 19 Orders – all read for the Second Time - and adopt by Roll Call vote. There were no objections. The Orders passed 9-0-2-0. Voting “Yes” were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recupero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

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ID#: 23F46 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Appropriation from the FY2023 Community Preservation Fund for the CPA Projects

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the awarding of grant funding to the FY2023 community preservation projects, in accordance with MGL Chapter 44B, Section 5(3)(d) and in accordance with the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Chelsea, Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 3, Section 2-330:

Be it further ordered, that the Chelsea City Council appropriate the following amount from the Community Preservation Act Budgetary Reserve (4904) as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee:
1.) \$40,000 for Creekside Commons Skate Spot and Skate Planning (CP23-05)

Be it further ordered, that the Chelsea City Council appropriate the following amount from the Community Preservation Act Budgetary Reserve (4904) as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee:
2.) \$400,000 for Senior Rental Assistance (CP23-06)

Be it further ordered, that the Chelsea City Council appropriate the following amount from the Community Preservation Act Budgetary Reserve (4904) as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee:
3.) \$350,000 for Forsyth Pocket Park (CP23-07)

ID#: 23F47 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

FY2024 Community Preservation Committee Operating Budget

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the FY2024 Community Preservation budget, in accordance with MGL Chapter 44B, Section 6, and reserve for appropriation the following amounts from estimated FY2024 receipts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee:

- 1.) \$109,511 – 10% of estimated revenues for the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space;
- 2.) \$109,511 – 10% of estimated revenues for the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historical resources;

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- 3.) \$109,511 – 10% of estimated revenues for the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing;
- 4.) \$711,827 – 65% of estimated revenues to the Budgeted Reserve.

And appropriate from FY2024 estimated revenues:

- 5.) \$54,755 – 5% of estimated revenues for CPC Administrative Expenses

ID#: 23F48 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

FY2024 PEG Access Budget

Ordered, that pursuant to M.G.L c. 44, Section 53F3/4, the Chelsea City Council approves the FY2024 PEG Access Budget as follows:

- 1.) \$213,045 for Chelsea Cable Television;
- 2.) \$85,000 for Chelsea Public Schools;
- 3.) \$130,000 for the City of Chelsea

ID#: 23F52 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that pursuant to Section 3-5 of the City of Chelsea Code of Ordinances, and pursuant to Chapter 44 sec 53A of the Massachusetts General laws, the Chelsea City Council hereby accepts the gift to the Chelsea Senior Center in the amount of \$5,000 from Cohen-Friedberg Associates.

ID#: 23F53 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council hereby accepts and approves the grant from the Mass Center for the Book in the amount of \$2750.00 to support the Gateways to Reading Program for Family Literacy in Chelsea.

ID#: 23F54 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

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Ordered, that pursuant to Section 3-5 of the City of Chelsea Code of Ordinances, and pursuant to Chapter 44 sec 53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Chelsea City Council hereby accepts gifts to the Chelsea Public Library pursuant to the following:

- 1.) Literacy Day:
 - a. \$250.00 from Metro Credit Union
 - b. \$500.00 from Gulf Oil Company

- 2.) In memory of Ann Marie Leonard:
 - a. \$100.00 from Century 21
 - b. \$100.00 from Joseph Marino
 - c. \$25.00 from Joan Szymanski
 - d. \$100.00 from Ann-Marie Hallacy

- 3.) In memory of Francis J. Zecha, Jr:
 - a. \$100.00 from Terrance Murphy
 - b. \$125.00 from Anonymous

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ID#: 23F55 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$60,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Emergency Management Department – Emergency Housing Account #0123052-538000.

ID#: 23F56 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

- Ordered,** that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the following Free Cash appropriations:
- 1.) \$700.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Legislative Department – Advertising Account #0111052-522100.
 - 2.) \$500.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Legislative Department – Printing Account #0111052-522200.
 - 3.) \$10,000 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Fire Department – Gasoline Account #01222052-545100.
 - 4.) \$15,000 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Fire Department Lighting Account #0122052-521200.

- 5.) \$102,647.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 DPW Snow Removal – Contract Services Account #0142352-530600 to provide supplemental funds for final snow and ice operations.
- 6.) \$96,426.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 DPW Snow Removal – Salt Account #0142352-546300 to provide supplemental funds for final snow and ice operations.
- 7.) \$18,000 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 DPW Structures and Grounds – Telephone Lines Account #0147052-522400.

ID#: 23F57 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Revolving Funds

WHEREAS, Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, section 53E1/2, 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 BE IT RESOLVED,

1.) Chelsea Community Schools (#4407):

- a. Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$100,000 in a single fiscal year;
- b. All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$100,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

2.) Elder Affairs Revolving Fund (#3802)

- a. Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$1,000 in a single fiscal year;
- b. All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$1,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

3.) Emergency Management Hazardous Material Revolving Fund (#4615)

- a. Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$30,000 in a single fiscal year;
- b. All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$30,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

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

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- a. Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$30,000 in a single fiscal year;
- b. All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$30,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

5.) Tax Title Foreclosure Properties Revolving Fund (#4631)

- a. Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$100,000 in a single fiscal year;
- b. All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$100,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

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

- a. Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$20,000 in a single fiscal year;
- b. All money received after the fund has reached a balance of \$20,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;

ID#: 23F58 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

**Authorization of a Revolving Account
For the School Department Non-Resident Student Tuition Revolving Fund**

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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.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, 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/□ 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, 2024.

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ID#: 23F59 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the following appropriations of Free Cash:

- 1.) **\$12,839.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 City Clerk – Regular Salary Account #0116151-510200.**
- 2.) **\$15,800.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 City Clerk – Overtime Account #0116151-510400.**
- 3.) **\$3,283.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Licensing – Regular Salary Account #0116551-510200.**
- 4.) **\$15,824.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Housing and Community Development – Regular Salary Account #0118051-510200.**
- 5.) **\$17,224.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Emergency Management – Regular Salary Account #0123051-510200.**
- 6.) **\$43,933.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Emergency Management – Overtime Account #0123051-510400.**

- 7.) \$5,625.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Emergency Management – Language Stipend Account #0123051-510700.
- 8.) \$12,489.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 DPW Snow Removal – Overtime Account #0142351-510400.
- 9.) \$3,585.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Elder Affairs – Regular Salary Account #0154151-510200.
- 10.) \$900.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Elder Affairs – Clothing Allowance Account #0154151-515500.
- 11.) \$1,800.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Elder Affairs – Unused Sick Leave Bonus Account #0154151-519100.
- 12.) \$19,700.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Employee Benefit – Medicare Account #0191051-517600.

ID#: 23F60 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the following transfers from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000:

- 1.) \$6,859.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2023 Auditing – Regular Salary Account #0113551-510200.
- 2.) \$2,433.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2023 Auditing – Overtime Account #0113551-510400.
- 3.) \$3,453.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2023 Purchasing – Regular Salary Account #0113851-510200.
- 4.) \$10,528.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2023 Treasurer – Regular Salary Account #0114551-510200.
- 5.) \$1,579.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2023 Treasurer – Overtime Account #0114551-510400.
- 6.) \$300.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2023 Treasurer – Longevity Account #0114551-515600.

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7.) \$4,848.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2023 City Clerk – Regular Salary Account #0116151-510200.

ID#: 23F61 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44, Section 64, payment of bills incurred in excess of appropriations, whereby costs incurred in FY22 were not paid and are owed, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current FY23 budget, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the expenditure of \$24,530.00 and appropriate this amount from Free Cash to the FY23 Personnel Department Medical Services Account #0115252-531200 to satisfy the unpaid costs to Cambridge Health Alliance from the prior year.

ID#: 23F66 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$301,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 DPW Streets and Sidewalks – Road Improvements Account #0142258-583100.

ID#: 23F67 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$126,209.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Police Department – Contract Services Account #0121052-530600.

ID#: 23F68 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$50,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2023 Personnel Department – Education Assistance Account #0115251-519200 for the continuation of the employee educational assistance program.

ID#: 23F50 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time. A motion to adopt by Roll Call vote was made by Councilor Hatleberg. The

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order passed 9-0-2-0. Voting "Yes" were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recuperero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

**Establishment of the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund
And Dedication of Revenue**

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has reached settlements with several pharmaceutical companies to receive Municipal Opioid Abatement payments; and

WHEREAS, The Opioid Settlement funds have specific uses as outlined in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts State-Subdivision agreement wherein all the recoveries must be used to fund prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery programs; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Chelsea desires to capitalize and realize the benefit of these funds;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Chelsea City Council hereby adopts an Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40 Section 5B, in full accordance with the statute, which may be expended for all the purposes allowed by law; dedicate to such fund, without further appropriation, 100% of all opioid litigation settlement funds received by the City; and directs the City Manager to take any and all action necessary to accomplish this task.

ID#: 23F51 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson and read for the second time. A motion to adopt by Roll Call vote was made by Councilor Hatleberg. The order passed 9-0-2-0. Voting "Yes" were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recuperero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

Ordered, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$231,524.36 from Free Cash to the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund, which is equal to the amount received by the City from opioid litigation settlements in FY23.

NEW BUSINESS:

ID#: 2393 – The following Order was introduced by Councilor Judith Garcia. A motion to withdraw the Order was made by Councilor J. Garcia and was approved without objection.

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Ordered, that the Traffic and Parking Commission, and/or any relevant departments, develop and execute a roadway safety plan for truck routes in residential neighborhoods (Beacon, Mulberry, Chestnut and all adjacent streets).

ID#: 23F69 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson. Councilor Vidot moved to adopt by Roll Call vote. The order passed 9-0-2-0. Voting “Yes” were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recupero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

Ordered, that pursuant to Section 3-5 of the City of Chelsea Code of Ordinances, and pursuant to Chapter 44 sec 53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Chelsea City Council hereby accepts the donation from Lawrenceville LLC – the owners of the Hilton Homewood Suites Hotel in Chelsea – of fitness equipment to the Chelsea Senior Center.

ID#: 2394 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson. Councilor Hatleberg moved to refer to Sub-Committee on Conference. Councilor Vidot requested a suspension of the rules to allow the City Solicitor to provide clarification on the proposed Order. After comments by the City Solicitor, Councilor Hatleberg withdrew his motion without objection and moved to adopt the Order by Roll Call vote. The Order passed 9-0-2-0. Voting “Yes” were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recupero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

WHEREAS, On January 9, 2023, pursuant to Section 4-5 of the Chelsea City Charter, this Council voted to appoint Edward Keefe Interim City Manager; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-5 of the Chelsea City Charter restricts the appointment of an Interim City Manager to “a term not to exceed three months; provided however that a renewal not to exceed an additional three months may be provided,”; and

WHEREAS, The Chelsea City Council anticipated the need for an extension after the first three month period, and entered into a contract with Mr. Keefe which ends in August; and

WHEREAS, The Chairman of the City Manager Screening Committee does not anticipate completing the search process until after the City’s contact with Mr. Keefe expires; and

WHEREAS, The Chelsea City Council does not have the authority, pursuant to the Charter, to extend Mr. Keefe’s tenure as Acting City Manager any longer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Keefe is not a resident of Chelsea;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, That the Chelsea City Council hereby appoints Edward Keefe City Manager for a term not to exceed two years and will immediately expire upon the City Council's selection of a successor City Manager; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the Chelsea City Council authorizes Council President Leo Robinson to negotiate and enter into a further employment agreement to end two months after a subsequent City Manager is appointed as recommended by the City Solicitor, or her delegate, with Mr. Keefe; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the Chelsea City Council waives the residency requirement pursuant to powers granted to it in Paragraph four (4) of Section 4-1 of the Chelsea City Charter.

ID#: 2395 – The following Order was introduced by Council President Robinson. A motion to adopt by Roll Call vote was made by Councilor Vidot. The Order passed 9-0-2-0. Voting "Yes" were Councilors Brown, J. Garcia, T. Garcia, Lopez, Robinson, Recupero, Vidot, Hatleberg and Taylor. Absent were Councilors De Jesus and Vega.

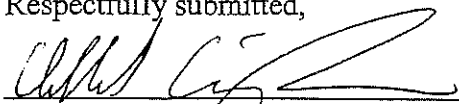
Ordered, that pursuant to Section 3-5 of the City of Chelsea Code of Ordinances, and pursuant to Chapter 44 sec 53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Chelsea City Council hereby accepts the gift to the Chelsea Police Department of three (3) new couches valued at \$1,597.00 from Mr. Mustapha Ettaik, H&H Furniture LLC, 306 Broadway.

ID#: 2396 – The following Late Order was introduced by Councilor Recupero. A motion to withdraw the Order was made by Councilor Recupero and was approved without objection.

Ordered, that the Acting City Manager provide an update to the City Council on the DPW Public Hearing regarding the FY24 Trash/Sewer/Water Rates – specifically what methods were used to inform the community and City Council about the meeting..

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Clifford Cunningham
Clerk, Chelsea City Council

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