

City of Fall River Massachusetts

Office of the City Clerk

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

MEETING: March 11, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, One Government Center

PRESENT: President Joseph D. Camara, presiding;
Councilors Shawn E. Cadime, Michelle M. Dionne, Paul B. Hart,
Bradford L. Kilby, Linda M. Pereira, Cliff Ponte, Andrew J. Raposo
and Laura-Jean Sampson

ABSENT: None

IN ATTENDANCE: None

President Camara called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by a salute to the flag and announced that the meeting may be recorded with audio or video and transmitted through any medium.

PRIORITY MATTERS

1. Mayor and proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Enterprise Fund budgets for Water and Sewer Divisions and proposed ordinances for Fiscal Year 2026 Water and Sewer rates
Councilor Ponte requested that, when the proposed budgets for the Water and Sewer Division are placed on an agenda for the Committee on Finance, that President Camara also include the tabled resolution relating to the Town of Westport and the Watuppa Water Board for discussion as well. Councilor Ponte also requested that the Administrator of Community Utilities provide detailed information to the Committee on Finance regarding the anticipated increases for the water and sewer fees.

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted to refer the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Enterprise Fund budgets for the Water and Sewer Divisions to the Committee on Finance.

On a further motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to refer the proposed ordinances for the Fiscal Year 2026 Water and Sewer Rates to the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation.

2. Mayor and gift order for a donation of 348 memorial flags from the Remember to Remember September 11 organization, to be used during the City's annual ceremony at Battleship Cove in remembrance of September 11, 2001

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

Approved, March 12, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

3. Mayor and appropriation of \$357,175.00 from Fire, Salaries "Retirement Buyout," to Fire, Various Expenses

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

4. Mayor and Fiscal Year 2024 Financial Audit prepared by Roselli, Clark & Associates

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to refer the Fiscal Year 2024 Financial Audit to the Committee on Finance.

5. Mayor and order declaring fourteen (14) police vehicles as surplus property

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

Approved, March 12, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

PRIORITY COMMUNICATIONS

6. Traffic Commission recommending amendments to the traffic ordinances

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to refer the recommendations to the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee on Finance recommending:

Action

7. Order – Appropriating \$1,816,444 from Community Preservation Act funds for Fiscal Year 2026 community projects

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

Approved, March 12, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

Committee on Ordinances and Legislation recommending:

All readings with emergency preamble

8. Proposed Ordinance – Traffic, Handicapped parking
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On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was voted 9 yeas to adopt the emergency preamble. On a further motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted that the proposed ordinance be passed through first reading, second reading, passed to be enrolled and passed to be ordained.

Approved, March 12, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

First Reading

9. Proposed Ordinance – Traffic, Miscellaneous

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Fifteen-minute parking (removal)

- George Street, South side, 48 feet east of Lindsey Street,
Monday – Saturday 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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Section 3

One hour parking

- Brayton Avenue, South side, 46 feet east of Rodman Street
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Section 4

Handicapped parking removals

- Third Street, East, 190 feet north of Branch Street
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- Tuttle Street, East, 52 feet north of Dwelly Street
- Wellington Street, North, 70 feet east of Fulton Street

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted that the proposed ordinance be passed through first reading.

10. **Proposed Ordinance – Fall River Public Library new position of Processing Archivist of Public Library Services**

Vice President Pereira asked for confirmation that this proposed ordinance only included one new position, and the City Clerk confirmed that the proposed ordinance before the City Council was for the position of Processing Archivist of Public Library Services. Vice President Pereira added that the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation tabled the proposed ordinance for the position of Museum Security Guard of Public Library Services and that the Committee should determine whether the tabled ordinance needs to be amended to allow for the hiring of more than one employee. On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Cadime, it was unanimously voted that the proposed ordinance be passed through first reading.

Referral to Corporation Counsel

11. **Resolution – The Committee on Ordinances and Legislation convene with the City Administrator, the Director of City Operations and Corporation Counsel to discuss potential fine amendments relating to illegal dumping of solid waste**

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted that the resolution be referred to Corporation Counsel.

ORDINANCES – None

RESOLUTIONS

12. **Committee on Public Safety convene with a representative from the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority and any other interested parties to discuss potential solutions to reduce noise pollution in the Weaver's Cove Layover area**

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adopt the resolution.

CITATIONS – None

ORDERS – HEARINGS

Curb Removals

13. **Mario Botelho, 220 Stevens Street – Removal of 1 foot, 6 inches for a total opening of 17 feet, 6 inches, at 220 Stevens Street**

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

Approved, March 12, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

14. **Robert Messier, Jr., 232 Stevens Street – Removal of 6 feet, 6 inches for a total opening of 23 feet, 6 inches, at 232 Stevens Street**

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

Approved, March 12, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

Pole Location

15. **Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid – Albion Street – One (1) new pole**

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

Approved, March 12, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

ORDERS – MISCELLANEOUS

16. Police Chief's report on licenses
Taxicab Drivers

Robert Day Michael Diniz Melissa Medeiros

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

17. Auto Repair Shop License Renewals

Michael Carvalho d/b/a County Street Collision and Customizing – 946 County Street
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On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

Approved, March 12, 2025

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18. Light Order – Highcrest Street

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order.

COMMUNICATIONS – INVITATIONS – PETITIONS

19. Claims

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to refer the claims to Corporation Counsel.

20. Letter from Melissa Furtado, 272 Anthony Street, in support of additional property tax abatements for 100% disabled veterans

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted that the letter be accepted and placed on file.

21. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes – January 16, 2025

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted that the minutes be accepted and placed on file.

City Council Minutes

22. Committee on Finance – February 25, 2025

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted that the minutes be approved.

23. Regular Meeting of the City Council – February 25, 2025

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted that the minutes be approved.

BULLETINS – NEWSLETTERS – NOTICES

24. Massachusetts Development Finance Agency Public Hearing to be held on March 11, 2025 re: conduit tax-exempt bond financing for a project being undertaken by Lifespan of Massachusetts, Inc. d/b/a Brown University Health of Massachusetts

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted that the public hearing notice be accepted and placed on file.

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:24 p.m.

List of documents and other exhibits used during the meeting:

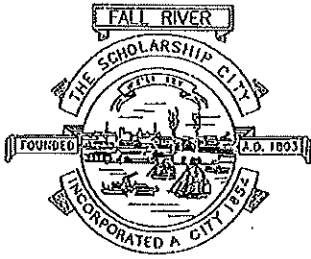
Agenda packet (attached)

A true copy. Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Alison M. Bouchard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'A' and 'B'.

City Clerk

In City Council, March 25, 2025
Approved.



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MEETINGS SCHEDULED
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, ONE GOVERNMENT CENTER
MARCH 11, 2025
AGENDA

5:30 P.M. JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Mayor Paul E. Coogan's State of the City Address

5:55 P.M. PUBLIC HEARINGS (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE IF IT RUNS PAST 5:55 P.M.)

Curb Removals

1. Mario Botelho, 220 Stevens Street, for the removal of curbing as follows:

	Existing Opening	Curbing to be Removed	Curbing to be Added	Combined Opening Proposed After Alteration
220 Stevens Street	16'	1' 6"	0'	17' 6"

The existing parcel is currently serviced by a 16-foot curb opening. The applicant proposes expanding the opening by an additional 1 foot, 6 inches, to the south. The total opening for the location will be 17 feet, 6 inches.

2. Robert Messier, Jr., 232 Stevens Street, for the removal of curbing as follows:

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The existing parcel is currently serviced by a 17-foot curb opening. The applicant proposes expanding the opening by an additional 6 feet, 6 inches, to the north. The total opening for the location will be 23 feet, 6 inches.

ADA Coordinator: Gary P. Howayeck, Esq. 508-324-2650

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- Pole Location
3. Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid for one new pole location as follows:

Albion Street

One (1) new pole

Install one new, solely owned, 40-foot class 3 pole on the sidewalk on the east side of Albion Street. Proposed Pole 12-1 will be located 40 feet northeast of existing Pole 12 and in line with the property line of 222 and 228 Albion Street. Pole 12-1 will be set against curbing in the sidewalk.

In accordance with Plan No. 31110824

6:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON FINANCE MEETING (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARINGS IF THEY RUN PAST 6:00 P.M.)

1. Citizen Input
2. *The Committee on Finance convene with the City Administrator, the Director of City Operations and the Building Inspector to discuss safety concerns regarding the Pearl Street Parking Garage and the Third Street Parking Garage (adopted 1-28-2025)
3. Transfer and appropriation

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE MEETING IF IT RUNS PAST 7:00 P.M.)

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FALL RIVER, MA

March 3, 2025

Honorable Members of the City Council
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

RE: FY26 Budget and Rate Submission
Water and Sewer Division

Dear Members of the City Council:

Please see attached FY 26 Budgets for the Water and Sewer Divisions. Also included are the ordinances for approval of the Water Rate and Sewer Rate to support the approved FY 26 Water and Sewer Budget.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Coogan
Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

Community Utilities: Water and Sewer Divisions

Paul J Ferland EIT
Administrator

Brian Jacob
Director-Maintenance

22 FTE

David Piela
Director-Treatment

18.4 FTE

Thomas Tighe
Director-Administration

10 FTE

Sewer Department

Sewer Commission
Office
8 FTE

Inframark
51 Employees



**COMMUNITY UTILITIES -
WATER - SEWER**
CITY OF FALL RIVER



March 3, 2025

The Honorable Paul E. Coogan
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

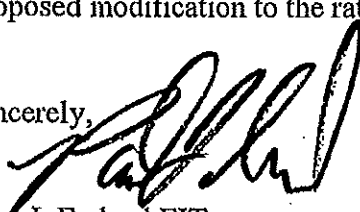
RE: FY26 Budget Submission
Sewer Division

Dear Mayor Coogan:

Please find enclosed the documents for the above referenced submittal. This submittal meets the requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53F ½ for submittal of Enterprise Fund Budgets 120 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. Further, Ordinance Sections 2-183 and 2-184 require that Enterprise Fund Budgets be submitted to the City Council by April 1, and rate proposals by May 1. Both the budget and the rate proposals are included.

The Sewer Division budget and rates are approved by the Sewer Commission. The proposed modification to the rate ordinance is attached.

Sincerely,


Paul J. Ferland EIT
Administrator of Community Utilities

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Fall River, as follows:

That Section 74-134 of Appendix A-Fee Schedule of the Code of the City of Fall River, Massachusetts, 2018, which Section relates to User Charges for Wastewater collection, be amended, as follows:

Section 1.

By striking out in sub-section (1) of said section, "\$8.11", and inserting in place thereof, "\$8.51", and by striking out "July 1, 2024", and inserting in place thereof, "July 1, 2025".

Section 2.

By striking out in paragraph (a) of sub-section (2) of said section, "\$8.11", and inserting in place thereof, "\$8.51", and by striking out "July 1, 2024", and inserting in place thereof, "July 1, 2025".

Section 2.

By striking out in paragraph (b) of sub-section (2) of said section, "\$3.87", and inserting in place thereof, "\$4.06", and by striking out "July 1, 2024", and inserting in place thereof, "July 1, 2025".

Section 4.

By striking out in sub-section (4) of said section, all dollar values and inserting in place thereof, the following:

\$ 280.11
\$ 543.48
\$ 815.98
\$ 1,085.44
\$ 1,356.42
\$ 1,622.84
\$ 1,892.30
\$ 2,157.19
\$ 2,426.64
\$ 2,699.14

and, by striking out in said sub-section (4) "July 1, 2024", and inserting in place thereof, "July 1, 2025".

CITY OF FALL RIVER

MISSION/GOALS/OBJECTIVES FISCAL YEAR 2026

Sewer Division
Department

Paul J. Ferland
Department Head

Mission Statement:

Protect the public health, public safety and the environment.
Protect and improve the sewer and storm water assets.
Perform at the least reasonable cost.

Goals and Objectives:

Comply with Federal/State sewer and storm water NPDES permits.
Comply with Federal CSO Court Order.
Comply with the Federal EPA Administrative Order.
Comply with all applicable regulations.
Minimize sewer and storm water bills as reasonably as possible while meeting the goals and objectives.
Implement the Integrated Sewer/Stormwater Master Plan (IP Plan).

Significant Program Changes:

Implementation of Wastewater Treatment Facility upgrade.
Issuance of Second Draft NPDES Permit for Public comment.
State, Regional and National changes in relation to sludge disposal.

Significant Budgetary Changes:

Eliminating the use of Retained Earnings in the FY budget.
Debt Service for large projects at the WWTP coming online.
Second Draft NPDES permit for public comment.
Increase in Capital Line within the Operating Budget.

FY26 BUDGET SUBMITTAL

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY UTILITIES

SEWER DIVISION

March 3, 2025

The City of FALL RIVER - COMMUNITY UTILITIES FY 2026 Proposed Budget	FY2024 Actual	FY2025 Budget	FY2026 Proposed Budget
SEWER DIVISION			

64400000 SEWER FUND REVENUE	FY24 Actual	FY25	FY26 Proposed
64400000 414200 TAX LIENS REDEEMED	\$91,958	\$200,000	\$200,000
64400000 417150 SEPTAGE INTEREST REVENUE	\$3,489	\$600	\$600
64400000 417300 INTEREST & PENALTY TAX LIEN	\$29,423	\$70,000	\$70,000
64400000 417420 INT & PENALTY SEWER	\$125,709	\$120,000	\$120,000
64400000 417600 INT & PEN ON UTILITY LIENS	\$10,210	\$20,000	\$20,000
64400000 417760 SEWER DEMANDS	\$46,521	\$55,000	\$55,000
64400000 417765 SEWER FINAL DEMAND	\$30	\$30	\$30
64400000 421000 SEWER USAGE CHARGES	\$15,643,300	\$21,086,000	\$22,126,000
64400000 421500 STORMWATER FEE/CHARGE	\$7,380,899	\$7,037,470	\$7,310,498
64400000 422100 SEPTAGE REVENUE	\$868,138	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
64400000 428080 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED		\$0	\$0
64400000 428016 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 16		\$0	\$0
64400000 428017 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2017		\$0	\$0
64400000 428018 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2018		\$0	\$0
64400000 428019 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2019		\$0	\$0
64400000 428020 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2020		\$0	\$0
64400000 428021 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2021		\$0	\$0
64400000 428022 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2022	\$57	\$0	\$0
64400000 428023 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2023	\$1,279,166	\$0	\$0
64400000 428024 UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2024		\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000
64400000 439900 OTHER REVENUE	\$1,035,057	\$700,000	\$800,000
64400000 442900 PERMIT FEE-SEWER	\$39,640	\$89,000	\$89,000
64400000 496800 TRANS FROM STABILIZATION	\$179,588	\$0	\$0
64400000 499300 OFS FREE CASH SURPLUS REVENUE		\$0	\$0
TOTAL SEWER FUND REVENUE	\$26,732,186	\$31,078,100	\$32,991,128

6000 SEWER FUND EXPENSES

64400005 SEWER TREATMENT PLANT OTHER	FY24 Actual	FY25	FY26 Proposed
64400005 596100 TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	\$1,485,000	\$1,485,000	\$1,485,000
64400005 596500 TRANSFERS TO STABILIZATION	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
64400005 596600 TRANSFERS TO TRUST & AGENCY	\$0	\$0	\$0
64400005 596800 TRANSFER GF - HEALTH	\$95,000	\$95,000	\$95,000
64400005 596900 TRANSFER GF PENSIONS	\$90,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
TOTAL SEWER TREATMENT PLANT OTHER	\$1,670,000	\$1,780,000	\$1,780,000

64407191 SEWER PLANT & PROG SALARIES	FY24 Actual	FY25	FY26 Proposed
64407191 511000 SALARIES & WAGES - PERMANENT	\$507,698	\$637,465	\$678,359
64407191 511115 LONGEVITY	\$6,119	\$5,000	\$3,000
64407191 513000 OVERTIME	\$794	\$0	
64407191 514500 HOLIDAY PAY	\$1,900	\$0	\$0
64407191 516900 RETIREMENT BUYOUTS	\$19,937	\$67,648	\$67,648
64407191 517900 MEDICARE MATCH	\$7,155	\$7,200	\$7,200
64407191 519300 UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$3,600	\$4,500	\$4,500
64407191 519400 OTHER STIPENDS	\$6,500	\$12,000	\$16,000
64407191 519700 AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE	\$260		
64407191 519900 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$972	\$65,000	\$81,684
TOTAL SEWER PLANT & PROG SALARIES	\$554,936	\$798,813	\$858,391

64407192 SEWER TREATMENT PLANT EXPENSES			FY24 Actual	FY25	FY26 Proposed
64407192	525000	OFF EQUIP/FURN MAINTENANCE	\$691	\$1,500	\$1,500
64407192	530100	MEDICAL AND DENTAL	\$0	\$130	\$130
64407192	530600	ADVERTISING	\$881	\$3,000	\$3,000
64407192	531000	ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURE SERVI	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
64407192	534100	TELEPHONE	\$0	\$22,000	\$22,000
64407192	538400	COMPUTER SERVICES	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
64407192	551100	EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$1,247	\$3,000	\$3,000
64407192	553800	METER PARTS/P.W. & UTILITIES	\$0	\$65,000	\$65,000
64407192	558600	OTHER SUPPLIES	\$0	\$400	\$400
64407192	570100	WATER/SEWER CSO CHARGE	\$142,711	\$189,000	\$189,000
64407192	571000	IN STATE TRAVEL	\$250	\$500	\$500
64407192	573100	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	\$1,456	\$500	\$500
64407192	578100	CLAIMS & DAMAGES	\$0	\$500	\$500
TOTAL SEWER TREATMENT PLANT EXPENSES			\$147,236	\$345,530	\$345,530

64407202 SEWER TREATMENT PLANT EXPENSES			FY24 Actual	FY25	FY26 Proposed
64407202	521100	ELECTRICITY	\$1,747,371	\$1,900,000	\$1,900,000
64407202	521500	NATURAL GAS FOR HEAT	\$67,333	\$100,000	\$100,000
64407202	528100	OTHER RENTALS & LEASES	\$3,313	\$14,400	\$14,400
64407202	531200	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$7,140,268	\$8,313,429	\$8,288,747
64407202	534300	POSTAGE	\$294	\$34,000	\$34,000
64407202	538500	OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$2,266,281	\$2,631,701	\$2,839,701
64407202	554200	CHEMICALS	\$853,186	\$1,152,585	\$1,322,717
64407202	573400	CONFERENCES	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
64407202	574400	MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE	\$31,030	\$32,000	\$32,000
TOTAL SEWER TREATMENT PLANT EXPENSES			\$12,109,076	\$14,179,115	\$14,532,565

64407204 SEWER TREATMENT PLANT CAPITAL			FY24 Actual	FY25	FY26 Proposed
64407204	584900	OTHER IMPROVEMENTS	\$60,776	\$250,000	\$350,000
TOTAL SEWER TREATMENT PLANT CAPITAL			\$60,776	\$250,000	\$350,000

64409905 STORM WATER DEBT SERVICE			FY24 Actual	FY25	FY26 Proposed
64409905	591000	MAT PRIN ON LONG TERM DEBT	\$7,920,602	\$9,436,957	\$10,386,957
64409905	591500	INTEREST ON LONG TERM DEBT	\$2,991,587	\$3,543,669	\$3,993,669
64409905	592500	INTEREST ON NOTES	\$387,193	\$358,645	\$358,645
64409905	594000	DEBT ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	\$179,903	\$235,371	\$385,371
TOTAL STORM WATER DEBT SERVICE			\$11,479,284	\$13,724,642	\$15,124,642

	FY24 Actual	FY25	FY26 Proposed
TOTAL REVENUES	\$26,732,186	\$31,078,100	\$32,991,128
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$26,021,307	\$31,078,100	\$32,991,128

delta	\$710,879	\$0	\$0
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rates			
sewer per ccf	\$6.06	\$8.11	\$8.51
stormwater per ERU/quarter	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00

Annual Impact on Average Household at 109 GPD.			
Current Rate for sewer/stormwater at 109 GPD			\$629.83
FY26 cost for sewer/stormwater at 109 GPD			\$651.03
delta: Increase from current rate to fy26 per household at 109 GPD			\$21.20

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/ Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-		
Sever Enterprise Fund Salaries						See Salary Summary Sheet
SALARIES & WAGES - PERMANENT	\$ 637,465	\$ 291,952	\$ 678,359			
LONGEVITY	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000			
OVERTIME	\$ -	\$ 257	\$ -			
HOLIDAY	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
RETIREMENT BUYOUT	\$ 67,648	\$ 63,350	\$ 67,648			
MEDICARE MATCH	\$ 7,200	\$ 3,804	\$ 7,200			
UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$ 4,500	\$ 3,600	\$ 4,500			
OTHER STIPEND	\$ 12,000	\$ 7,317	\$ 16,000			
AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE - SALARIES		\$ -				
OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$ 65,000	\$ -	\$ 81,684			
Total Salaries	\$ 798,813		\$ 858,391	7.4583%		
Sever Enterprise Fund Expenses						
OFF EQUIP/FURN MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,500	\$ 104	\$ 1,500			red toner cartridge \$ 750
						calenders/log books \$ 50
						paper \$ 700
						total \$ 1,500
MEDICAL AND DENTAL	\$ 130	\$ -	\$ 130			physicals/drug testing \$ 130
ADVERTISING	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,842	\$ 3,000			Herald News
						chemical bids ad \$ 800
						insurance bids ad \$ 425
						toxicity testing bids ad \$ 425
						RFQ for design \$ 450
						construction public notices \$ 450

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/ Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-		
ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURE SERVI	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000			RFQ CSO studies \$ 450 total \$ 3,000
						Misc. Engineering MS4 NPDES permit compliance, NEPDES Permit \$ 50,000 total \$ 50,000
TELEPHONE	\$ 22,000	\$ -	\$ 22,000			verizon/T-mobile/answering service \$ 22,000
COMPUTER SERVICES	\$ 10,000	\$ 480	\$ 10,000			RDM Software/MUNIS assistance \$ 10,000
EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$ 3,000	\$ 795	\$ 3,000			Training courses for licenses \$ 3,000
METER PARTS/P.W. & UTILITIES	\$ 65,000	\$ 419	\$ 65,000			AMR (\$133/unit) \$ 13,300 3/4" meters (\$326/unit) \$ 32,600 1" meters (\$426/unit) \$ 8,520 fittings; couplings; ga \$ 10,580 total \$ 65,000
OTHER SUPPLIES	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ 400			flashlights \$ 50 marking paint \$ 60 batteries \$ 50 caution tape \$ 50 tape \$ 20 locksmith/keys \$ 50 binders \$ 30 storage boxes \$ 90 total \$ 400

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/ Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-	
WATER/SEWER CSO CHARGE	\$189,000	\$ 50,059	\$189,000		
					FY23 Qtr. 1 \$47,250
					FY23 Qtr. 2 \$47,250
					FY23 Qtr. 3 \$47,250
					FY23 Qtr. 4 \$47,250
					total \$189,000
IN STATE TRAVEL	\$ 500	\$ 342	\$ 500		
					Boston trips to MA DEP; EPA; CLF; etc.
					MBTA parking- Quincy Adams (10 trips x \$9.00) \$90
					MBTA T-fare-Quincy Adams (10 trips x \$5.50) \$55
					parking direct- Boston (5 trips x \$40.00) \$200
					personal auto use (267 miles x \$0.58) \$155
					total \$500
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	\$ 500	\$ 1,627	\$ 500		
					NEWEA \$380
					MW/PCA \$120
					total \$500
CLAIMS & DAMAGES	\$ 500	\$ 5,176	\$ 500		
					budget to address potential claims due to sewer back ups caused by pipe collapses; pipe blockages; flooding;
Total Treatment Plant Expenses	\$ 345,530	\$	\$ 345,530	0.0000%	

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/ Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-	
ELECTRIC	\$ 1,900,000	\$ 1,047,965	\$ 1,900,000		Power for WWTF; pump stations; CSO facilities including solar credit program
NATURAL GAS FOR HEAT	\$ 100,000	\$ 28,224	\$ 100,000		Heating for all facilities.
OTHER RENTALS & LEASES	\$14,400	\$ -	\$14,400		MBTA Lease - sewer pipe crossings of rail owned by the MBTA. \$4,400
					Equipment Lease \$10,000
					total \$14,400
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$8,313,429	\$ 5,319,640	\$8,288,747		OM&M base contract \$7,618,747
					OM&M repair/maintenance \$650,000
					OM&M-police details \$20,000
					total \$8,288,747
POSTAGE	\$ 34,000	\$ 110	\$ 34,000		pay mailroom for cost of postage for 85,000 utility bills per year (half paid by Water Division). Expect increase with expansion of individual condo

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	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-	
MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE	\$ 32,000	\$ 28,967	\$ 32,000		Estimated insurance for all vehicles.
Total Expenditure	\$ 14,179,115		\$ 14,532,565	2.4928%	
OTHER IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ 350,000		
Total Capital	\$ 250,000		\$ 350,000	40.0000%	<i>Capital Improvement Detail Attached</i>
TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	\$ 1,485,000	\$ 371,250	\$ 1,485,000		Indirect Cost Allocation
TRANSFER GF - HEALTH	\$ 95,000	\$ 55,417	\$ 95,000		Medical, Dental & Basic
TRANSFER GF PENSIONS	\$ 100,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 100,000		Pension Costs
TRANSFER TO STABILIZATION	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000		
TRANSFER TO TRUSEE & AG	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Total Transfers	\$ 1,780,000		\$ 1,780,000	0.0000%	
MAT PRIN ON LONG TERM DEBT	\$ 9,436,957	\$ 8,115,318	\$ 10,386,957		Existing Debt Previously Approved by Col
INTEREST ON LONG TERM DEBT	\$ 3,543,669	\$ 2,533,794	\$ 3,993,669		Existing Debt Previously Approved by Col
INTEREST ON NOTES	\$ 358,645	\$ -	\$ 358,645		Existing Debt Previously Approved by Col
DEBT ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	\$ 235,371	\$ 167,613	\$ 385,371		Existing Debt Previously Approved by Col
Total Debt Service	\$ 13,724,642		\$ 15,124,642	10.2006%	
Total Sewer Expenditure	\$ 31,078,100		\$ 32,991,128	6.1556%	
Total Sewer Ent Fund Budget	\$ 31,078,100		\$ 32,991,128	6.1556%	

Sewer Enterprise Fund
FY2026

Emp#	Last Name	First Name	Job Class Description	FTE	Annual Salary	Step Increase	Sewer Board	Stipends	Longevity	Clothing	Holiday	Total
	COELHO	TREVOR	PROJECT MANAGER	1	\$ 82,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,000
18764	FERLAND	PAUL	ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$ 152,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,500	500	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ 158,900
18764	FERLAND	PAUL	SWR COM BD	B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,125	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,125
2641	GARCIA	JORGE	PROJECT SPECIALIST	1	\$ 86,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 87,000
2192	GONSALVES	COURTNEY	PROJECT SPECIALIST	1	\$ 62,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 63,000
27593	CANDIDO	MICHAEL	WT MT WK I-CDL/BH	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ 47,625
	SAFETY COORDINATOR		PROJECT MANAGER	1	\$ 82,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	500	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ 85,400
25576	ETTRESS	JACOB	ASSET/MANAGE GIS	1	\$ 47,409	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500	-	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ 50,809
	VACANT		DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR	1	\$ 110,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	-	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ 112,900
			PRES SWR	B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000
3660	ALMEIDA	NADILIO	SWR COM BD	B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400
	VACANT		SWR COM BD	B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400
1352	HOWAYECK	ANDREW	SWR COM BD	B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500
22192	TIGHE	THOMAS	SWR COM BD	B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400
	SOUSA	PAUL	SWR COM BD	B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400
4648	ALVES	SCOTT	SWR COM BD	B	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400
				8	\$ 666,134	\$ -	\$ 12,225	\$ 16,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,500	\$ -	\$ 701,859



**COMMUNITY UTILITIES -
WATER - SEWER**
CITY OF FALL RIVER



March 3, 2025

The Honorable Paul B Coogan
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

RE: FY26 Budget Submission
Water Division

Dear Mayor Coogan:

Please find enclosed the documents for the above referenced submittal. This submittal meets the requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53F ½ for submittal of Enterprise Fund Budgets 120 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. Further, Ordinance Sections 2-183 and 2-184 require that Enterprise Fund Budgets be submitted to the City Council by April 1, and rate proposals by May 1. Both the budget and the rate proposals are included.

The Water Division budget and rates are approved by the Watuppa Water Board. The proposed modification to the rate ordinance is attached.

Sincerely,

Paul J. Ferland EIT
Administrator of Community Utilities

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Fall River, as follows:

That Chapter 74 of the Code of the City of Fall River, Massachusetts, 2018, which chapter relates to Utilities, be amended as follows:

By striking out Sec. 74-353 in Appendix A-Fee Schedule, which section relates to Rate for metered water, in its entirety, and inserting in place thereof, the following:

The charge for water supplied by the City as measured by a water meter shall be as follows:

For water billed on or after July 1, 2025, per 100 cu. ft.	\$4.58
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CITY OF FALL RIVER

MISSION/GOALS/OBJECTIVES FISCAL YEAR 2026

Water Division
Department

Paul J Ferland
Department Head

Mission Statement:

Protect the public Health, public Safety and the Environment
Protect and improve the water system assets
Perform at the least reasonable cost

Goals and Objectives:

Comply with Federal/State water permits
Comply with Administrative Order on Lead Compliance and the Revised Lead and Copper Rule
Comply with the Federal Disinfection Byproduct Rule
Comply with all applicable regulations
Minimize water bills as reasonably as possible while meeting the goals and objectives
Implement the 20 year Master Plan

Significant Program Changes:

Lead Administrative Consent Order mandated by DEP
Revised Lead and Copper Rule in effect Oct 2024
Revised Lead and Copper Rule Improved issues by EPA
Water Management Act Regulation changes

Significant Budgetary Changes:

Change in Backflow prevention and Dig safe Program. Added Employee
Eliminating the use of Retained Earnings in the FY budget.
Increase in Materials and Chemicals.

FY26 BUDGET SUBMITTAL

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY UTILITIES

WATER DIVISION

March 3, 2025

WATER DIVISION		FY24 Actual		FY25 Budget		FY26 Budget	
REVENUE							
645000000	414200	TAX LIENS REDEEMED	\$38,565	\$100,000	\$100,000		
645000000	417300	INTEREST & PENALTY TAX LIEN	\$11,023	\$40,000	\$40,000		
645000000	417310	INT & PEN ON UTILITY WATER	\$61,701	\$65,000	\$65,000		
645000000	417600	INT & PEN ON UTILITY LIENS	\$5,923	\$6,000	\$6,000		
645000000	417761	WATER DEMANDS	\$44,382	\$50,000	\$50,000		
645000000	417765	WATER FINAL DEMAND	\$60	\$20	\$20		
645000000	418000	WATER OVER/SHORT					
645000000	421000	WATER USAGE CHARGES	\$11,824,397	\$13,116,958	\$14,201,839		
645000000	422000	OTHER WATER CHARGES	\$154,949	\$150,000	\$150,000		
645000000	427000	BASE METER FEE	\$1,287,157	\$1,289,270	\$1,289,270		
645000000	427100	LUMBER REVENUE	\$1,810	\$900	\$900		
645000000	427200	TOWER RENTAL	\$106,679	\$200,000	\$200,000		
645000000	427300	BULK SALES	\$63,461	\$50,000	\$50,000		
645000000	427400	APPLICATIONS AND TESTING	\$2,300	\$6,500	\$6,500		
645000000	428000	UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED					
645000000	428016	UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2016					
645000000	428017	UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2017					
645000000	428018	UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2018					
645000000	428019	UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2019					
645000000	428020	UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2020					
		UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2021					
		UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2022	\$16				
		UTILITY LIENS REDEEMED 2023	\$663,523	\$550,000	\$550,000		
645000000	439900	OTHER REVENUE	\$181,371	\$150,000	\$150,000		
645000000	488000	INSURANCE RECOVERY	\$0	\$0	\$0		
645000000	499900	OTHER FINANCING SOU (retained earnings)	\$0	\$398,446	\$0		
TOTAL WATER REVENUE			\$14,447,316	\$16,173,094	\$16,859,529		

Water Rate Per CCF	\$3.77	\$4.24	\$4.58
Base Meter fee for 5/8" per quarter			
Base Meter fee for 3/4" per quarter	\$14	\$14	\$14
Base Meter fee for 1" per quarter	\$16	\$16	\$16
Base Meter fee for 1.5" per quarter	\$30	\$30	\$30
Base Meter fee for 2" per quarter	\$50	\$50	\$50
Base Meter fee for 3" per quarter	\$150	\$150	\$150
Base Meter fee for 4" per quarter	\$200	\$200	\$200
Base Meter fee for 6" per quarter	\$300	\$300	\$300
Base Meter fee for 8" per quarter	\$400	\$400	\$400
Base Meter fee for 10" per quarter	\$500	\$500	\$500

64507241 WATER ADMINISTRATION SALARIES		FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	FY26 Budget
64507241	511000 - SALARIES & WAGES - PERMANENT	\$471,836	\$507,734	\$531,977
64507241	511115 LONGEVITY	\$5,200	\$7,400	\$5,400
64507241	511300 SUMMER HOURS	\$0	\$0	\$0
64507241	513000 OVERTIME	\$22,857	\$500	\$500
64507241	514500 HOLIDAY PAY	\$1,875	\$0	\$0
64507241	516900 RETIREMENT BUYOUTS	\$0	\$0	\$0
64507241	517900 MEDICARE MATCH	\$33,644	\$4,000	\$4,000
64507241	519300 UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$2,700	\$2,700	\$2,700
64507241	519400 OTHER STIPENDS	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$4,000
64507241	519700 AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE	\$845	\$0	\$0
64507241	519900 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$0	\$20,000	\$35,778
TOTAL WATER ADMINISTRATION SALARIES		\$541,476	\$544,834	\$584,355

64507242 WATER ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES				FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	FY25 Proposed Budget
	54507242	525000	OFF EQUIP/FURN MAINTENANCE	\$322	\$1,000	\$1,000
	54507242	525600	R & M METERS	\$0	\$14,000	\$14,000
	54507242	528100	OTHER RENTALS & LEASES	\$637	\$4,660	\$4,660
	54507242	530100	MEDICAL AND DENTAL	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
	54507242	530600	ADVERTISING	\$1,931	\$5,550	\$5,550
	54507242	531200	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$46,142	\$82,000	\$82,000
	54507242	534100	TELEPHONE	\$28,084	\$30,000	\$40,000
	54507242	534300	POSTAGE	\$43,963	\$30,000	\$50,000
	54507242	534400	OTHER COMMUNICATIONS	\$0	\$300	\$300
	54507242	538400	COMPUTER SERVICES	\$77	\$1,000	\$1,000
	54507242	538500	OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
	54507242	542500	OTHER OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$0	\$200	\$200
	54507242	551100	EDUCATION SUPPLIES	\$61	\$2,000	\$2,000
	54507242	553800	METER PARTS	\$706	\$13,000	\$13,000
	54507242	570100	WATER/SEWER CSO CHARGE	\$18,640	\$28,000	\$28,000
	TOTAL WATER ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES			\$140,563	\$213,710	\$243,710

64507244 WATER ADMINISTRATION CAPITAL				FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	FY25 Proposed Budget
	64507244	584900	OTHER IMPROVEMENTS	\$225,274	\$250,000	\$350,000

64507245 WATER ADMINISTRATIVE AND INDIRECT COSTS				FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	FY25 Proposed Budget
	64507245	596100	TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000
	64507245	596500	TRANSFERS TO STABILIZATION	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
	64507245	596600	TRANSFERS TO TRUST & AGENCY			
	64507245	596800	TRANSFER GF - HEALTH	\$725,238	\$725,238	\$725,238
	64507245	596900	TRANSFER GF PENSIONS	\$731,603	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
	TOTAL WATER ADMINISTRATIVE AND INDIRECT COSTS			\$2,756,841	\$3,125,238	\$3,125,238

64507251 WATER MAINT & DISTRIB SALARIES				FY24	FY25	
				Actual		
					Budget	Budget
64507251	511000	SALARIES & WAGES - PERMANENT		\$734,492	\$1,148,591	\$1,170,730
64507251	511115	LONGEVITY		\$4,351	\$4,600	\$4,400
64507251	513000	OVERTIME		\$72,739	\$100,000	\$100,000
64507251	514500	HOLIDAY PAY		\$2,814	\$0	\$0
64507251	514600	SERVICE OUT OF RANK		\$2,000	\$0	\$0
64507251	516900	RETIREMENT BUYOUTS		\$21,178	\$10,000	\$20,000
64507251	517100	WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION		\$43,879	\$60,046	\$40,000
64507251	517900	MEDICARE MATCH		\$0	\$14,000	\$20,000
64507251	519300	UNIFORM ALLOWANCE		\$11,700	\$18,900	\$19,800
64507251	519400	OTHER STIPENDS		\$13,900	\$23,400	\$34,200
64507251	519900	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS		\$2,663	\$50,000	\$84,935
TOTAL WATER MAINT & DISTRIB SALARIES				\$909,716	\$1,429,537	\$1,494,065

64507252 WATER MAINT & DISTRIB EXPENSES			FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	FY25 Variance
64507252	521100	ELECTRICITY	\$26,337	\$25,000	\$25,000
64507252	521500	HEATING FUEL	\$9,942	\$35,000	\$35,000
64507252	524100	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	\$2,350	\$8,000	\$8,000
64507252	524600	R & M VEHICLES	\$19,332	\$35,000	\$45,000
64507252	525000	R & M OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$3,530	\$5,000	\$5,000
64507252	525800	OTHER REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$2,826	\$3,000	\$3,000
64507252	525900	WATER PIPE REPLACE, REPAIR, RE	\$0	\$16,000	\$16,000
64507252	527400	CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$12,520	\$8,000	\$8,000
64507252	527800	COMMUNICATION LINES & EQUIP RE	\$0	\$1,000	\$0
64507252	529400	OTHER PROPERTY RELATED SERVICE	\$0	\$1,500	\$0
64507252	530100	WORKERS COMP. MEDICAL BILLS	\$18,508	\$30,000	\$30,000
64507252	538500	OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$6,428	\$15,000	\$17,500
64507252	541100	GASOLINE	\$53,098	\$75,000	\$75,000
64507252	542100	PAPER	\$869	\$1,500	\$1,500
64507252	542800	R & M CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	\$7,805	\$20,000	\$20,000
64507252	543900	BUILDING & MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	\$3,994	\$3,000	\$5,000
64507252	545100	CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$999	\$3,000	\$4,000
64507252	546100	TOOLS	\$7,281	\$10,000	\$10,000
64507252	548100	MOTOR OIL AND LUBRICANTS	\$12,392	\$6,000	\$0
64507252	548500	PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	\$27,632	\$35,000	\$49,000
64507252	550100	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	\$0	\$200	\$0
64507252	551100	EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$6,908	\$5,000	\$5,000
64507252	553100	CONCRETE/CEMENT	\$51,364	\$70,000	\$70,000
64507252	553200	CORPS/STOPS/TUBING	\$9,894	\$20,000	\$20,000
64507252	553400	LUMBER	\$273	\$1,000	\$1,000
64507252	553600	SAND AND GRAVEL	\$0	\$1,500	\$1,500
64507252	553900	PIPE AND FITTINGS	\$26,851	\$31,000	\$56,000
64507252	554000	HYDRANTS/HYDRANT PARTS	\$15,204	\$46,000	\$46,000
64507252	554100	STOP BOXES	\$8,593	\$16,000	\$20,000
64507252	554400	ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES	\$137	\$500	\$500
64507252	558600	OTHER SUPPLIES	\$4,807	\$7,000	\$7,200
64507252	574400	MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE	\$44,003	\$45,000	\$50,000
64507252	578100	CLAIMS & DAMAGES	\$8,301	\$500	\$500
TOTAL WATER MAINT & DISTRIB EXPENSES			\$392,179	\$599,700	\$634,700

64507261 WATER TREATMENT PLANT SALARIES				FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	Variance Range
64507261	511000	SALARIES & WAGES - PERMANENT		\$846,089	\$1,044,364	\$1,069,697
64507261	511115	LONGEVITY		\$4,505	\$3,600	\$3,600
64507261	513000	OVERTIME		\$163,400	\$120,000	\$150,000
64507261	514500	HOLIDAY PAY		\$4,776	\$0	\$0
64507261	514300	SHIFT PREMIUM		\$12,020	\$16,640	\$16,640
64507261	516900	RETIREMENT BUYOUTS		\$6,639	\$7,000	\$7,000
64507261	514600	SERVICE OUT OF RANK		\$973	\$0	\$0
64507261	517100	WORKMEN COMPENSATION		\$11,346	\$0	\$0
64507261	517900	MEDICARE MATCH		\$0	\$12,400	\$12,400
64507261	519300	UNIFORM ALLOWANCE		\$12,658	\$16,200	\$16,200
64507261	519400	OTHER STIPENDS		\$16,186	\$21,500	\$30,000
64507261	519700	AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE		\$5,940	\$7,200	\$7,200
64507261	519900	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS		\$0	\$50,000	\$111,929
TOTAL WATER TREATMENT PLANT SALARIES				\$1,084,532	\$1,298,904	\$1,424,666

64507262 WATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPENSES			FY24 Actual	FY25 Budget	
64507262	521100	ELECTRICITY	\$640,780	\$850,000	\$900,000
64507262	521500	HEATING FUEL	\$53,293	\$60,000	\$65,000
64507262	524100	BUILDING & GROUNDS MAINT	\$5,882	\$30,000	\$35,000
64507262	524200	RESERVATION HQ O&M	\$25,703	\$45,000	\$50,000
64507262	524400	WATER PUMPING STATION MINT	\$68	\$15,000	\$15,000
64507262	524800	R & M CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	\$24,250	\$15,000	\$15,000
64507262	525000	OFF EQUIP/FURN MAINTENANCE	\$4,989	\$1,000	\$1,500
64507262	525100	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000
64507262	527400	CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$0	\$700	\$700
64507262	529400	OTHER PROPERTY RELATED SERVICE	\$0	\$700	\$1,000
64507262	530100	WORKERS COMP. MEDICAL BILLS	\$0	\$500	\$500
64507262	531200	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$63,745	\$60,000	\$60,000
64507262	531300	LAB TESTING SERVICES	\$31,707	\$50,000	\$45,000
64507262	531301	LAB SUPPLIES	\$6,487		\$10,000
64507262	538500	OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$52	\$2,500	\$2,500
64507262	545100	CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$1,196	\$1,000	\$1,000
64507262	546100	TOOLS	\$788	\$3,000	\$3,000
64507262	551100	EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$5,736	\$5,000	\$5,000
64507262	553100	CONCRETE/CEMENT	\$0	\$100	\$500
64507262	553400	LUMBER	\$0	\$500	\$1,000
64507262	554200	CHEMICALS	\$902,263	\$950,000	\$950,000
64507262	558600	OTHER SUPPLIES	\$0	\$200	\$200
64507262	560000	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	\$165,830	\$84,000	\$98,000
TOTAL WATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPENSES			\$1,932,768	\$2,189,200	\$2,274,900

Water Enterprise Fund - Water Administration

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/ Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-	
Water Administration - Utilities					
SALARIES & WAGES - PERMANENT	\$507734	\$277835	\$531977		See Detail by Personnel
LONGEVITY	\$7400	\$3400	\$5400		
SUMMER HOURS	\$-	\$-	\$-		
OVERTIME	\$500	\$14102	\$500		
HOLIDAY	\$-	\$-	\$-		
RETIREMENT BUYOUTS	\$-	\$-	\$-		
MEDICARE MATCH	\$4000	\$15277	\$4000		
UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$2700	\$2700	\$2700		
OTHER STIPENDS	\$2500	\$3500	\$4000		
AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE	\$-	\$-	\$-		
OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$20000	\$-	\$35778		
Total Salaries	\$544834		\$584355	7.2538%	
Water Administration - Operations					
OFF EQUIP/FURN MAINTENANCE	\$1000	\$238	\$1000		office equipment repairs; equipment purchases.
R & M METERS	\$14000	\$14000	\$14000		restock inventory
					3/4" meters (\$326/unit)
					1" meters (\$426/unit)
					inserts and rebuild kits
					total
					\$14000
OTHER RENTALS & LEASES	\$4660	\$637	\$4660		MBTA leases
					water pipe crossings of rail owned by the MBTA.
					location
					Locust St.
					Penn St.
					Cory/Almy St.
					Copiers
					total
					\$4660
MEDICAL AND DENTAL	\$1000	\$-	\$1000		drug testing-Advantage, physicals; accident screens-Southcoast

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/ Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-	
ADVERTISING	\$5550	\$-	\$5550		Herald News
					chemical bids ad
					insurance bids ad
					meter bid ad
					water main p22 construction bid
					Lead service PSA
					Lead Service Replacement
					1873 ps construction bid ad
					sawdy pond dam construction bid ad
					SCADA bid ad
					lab bid ad
					total
					\$5,550
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$82000	\$47145	\$82000		Outside Consultant
					RDM Software-MUNIS support
					Neptune.-software support
					Asset Management
					total
TELEPHONE	\$30000	\$14554	\$40000		verizon/nexel/answering service
POSTAGE	\$30000	\$41450	\$50000		pay mailroom for cost of postage for 85,000 utility bills per year (half paid by Sewer Division). Expect increase with expansion of individual condo billing program. Costs for Fedex; UPS and/or other mail delivery services.
OTHER COMMUNICATIONS	\$300	\$-	\$300		Directories
					Forms
					total
COMPUTER SERVICES	\$1000	\$-	\$1000		Tyler Tech-utility bill revisions; Computer hardware repairs

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/ Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-		
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$1000	\$-	\$1000			scanning delicate historical records/plans.
OTHER OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$200	\$-	\$200			office supplies; file boxes; binders; folders; paper.
EDUCATION SUPPLIES	\$2000	\$1785	\$2000			Training courses for licenses
METER PARTS	\$13000	\$10555	\$13000			restock inventory
						AMR (\$133/unit)
						fittings; couplings; gaskets; blanks
						total
						utility
SEWER CSO CHARGE	\$28000	\$9653	\$28000			FY23 Qtr. 1
						FY23 Qtr. 2
						FY23 Qtr. 3
						FY23 Qtr. 4
						total
	\$213710		\$243710	14.0377%		\$28000
OTHER IMPROVEMENTS	\$250000	\$23499	\$350000			See Detailed Attached
	\$250000		\$350000	40.0000%		
TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	\$1300000	\$325000	\$1300000			Indirect Cost Allocation
TRANSFERS TO STABILIZATION	\$100000	\$-	\$100000			
TRANSFER GF - HEALTH	\$725238	\$423056	\$725238			Medical, Dental & Basic
TRANSFER GF PENSIONS	\$1000000	\$250000	\$1000000			Pension costs
Total Transfers	\$3125238		\$3125238	0.0000%		
MAT PRIN ON LONG TERM DEBT	\$4701401	\$4242129	\$4893372			Existing Debt Previously Approved by Council
INTEREST ON LONG TERM DEBT	\$1124493	\$869356	\$1252360			Existing Debt Previously Approved by Council
INTEREST ON NOTES	\$621726	\$6931	\$522364			Existing Debt Previously Approved by Council
DEBT ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	\$44350	\$41558	\$64350			Existing Debt Previously Approved by Council
	\$6521970		\$6732446	3.2272%		
	\$10018708		\$10451394	4.3188%		
Total Water Administration	\$10586642		\$11035749	4.2422%		



Water Enterprise Fund - Water Administration

Employee	Last Name	First Name	Job Class	Description	FTE	Annual Salary	Step Increase	Longevity	Stipend	Clothing	Total	FTE
16633	FARIA	LOUIS	WT MT WK I	CDL/BI	1	\$ 51,114	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 1,000	\$ 900	\$ 53,514	1
19119	GERALDE	ARMAND	HD ADM	CKL	1	\$ 51,890	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 52,390	1
8554	MELLO	ADAM	WTR SER	IN	1	\$ 51,114	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ 900	\$ 53,514	1
27394	MOTA	HOLLY	HEAD	CLK	1	\$ 42,349	\$ 5,387	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47,736	1
1813	POWERS	SHEILA	PROJ	SPEC	1	\$ 65,500	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 67,500	1
23731	RAPOZA	JUDITH	HD ADM	CLK	1	\$ 46,536	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 46,536	1
23829	PAVAO	JODI	HEAD	CLK	1	\$ 46,536	\$ 671	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47,207	1
22192	TIGHE	THOMAS	DIRECTOR		1	\$ 73,229	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 73,429	1
2567	WALSH	CAROL	HD ADM	CLK	1	\$ 46,537	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,537	1
21033	WARHALL	MARK	WT MT WK I	CDL/BI	1	\$ 51,114	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ 1,500	\$ 900	\$ 53,714	1
10						\$ 525,919	\$ 6,058	\$ 5,400	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,700	\$ 544,077	10

Water Enterprise Fund - Water Maintenance

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-	
Water Maintenance Fund Salaries					
SALARIES & WAGES - PERMANENT	\$1148591	\$449236	\$1170730		See Detail by Personnel
LONGEVITY	\$4600	\$2462	\$4400		
OVERTIME	\$100000	\$39016	\$100000		
HOLIDAY	\$-	\$-	\$-		
SERVICE OUT OF RANK	\$-	\$-	\$-		
RETIREMENT BUYOUTS	\$10000	\$15657	\$20000		
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	\$60046	\$22604	\$40000		
UNEMPLOYMENT PAYMENTS	\$-	\$-	\$-		
MEDICARE MATCH	\$14000	\$-	\$20000		
UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$18900	\$13500	\$19800		
OTHER STIPENDS	\$23400	\$11758	\$34200		
AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE	\$-	\$-	\$-		
OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$50000	\$-	\$84935		
Total Salaries	\$1429537		\$1494065	4.5139%	
Water Maintenance Fund Expenditures					
ELECTRICITY	\$25000	\$8645	\$25000		Power for Distribution Maintenance Bldg. and Maintenance Garage.
HEATING FUEL	\$35000	\$1502	\$35000		Fuel for heat for Distribution Maintenance Bldg. and Maintenance Garage.
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	\$8000	\$644	\$8000		hardware, sediment cartridges, water heater repairs, heating system repairs
R & M VEHICLES	\$35000	\$18536	\$45000		Year Vehicle Make Model
					2015 FORD EXPLORER Annual Cost \$1,000
					2015 FORD TRANSIT \$1,000
					2014 FORD F-150 \$1,000
					2000 FORD F-350 \$3,000
					2006 STERLING L8500 \$5,000
					2012 FORD (treatment) F-150 \$3,000

	FY 2025	FY 25 thru 01/16/25	FY 2026 Projection	Percent +/-	Support/Calculations	
	Budget					
					2005 FORD RANGER	\$3,000
					2006 FORD VAN	\$3,000
					2012 FORD F-250	\$3,000
					2011 FORD F-350	\$3,000
					2014 CHEVROLET Sonic	\$1,000
					2019 FORD F550 CRAIN	\$2,000
					2007 NEWHOLLAND	\$4,400
					2019 FORD F550 DUMP	\$1,000
					Boston Whaler (WTP)	\$500
					1974 FORD FARM TRACTOR 3000	\$3,000
					2014 FORD F-550	\$3,000
					2005 FORD (Res HQ) F350 w/dump	\$4,000
					2014 Freightliner	\$5,000
					2001 INTERNATIONAL 400SER	\$5,000
					2006 STERLING L8500	\$5,000
					2015 Polaris off-road UTILITY	\$500
					2014 Roller, paving	\$500
					Trailers	
					2000 CARRY utility trailer	\$500
					2000 CURRAHEE Trailer	\$500
					2000 ARROW BOARD	\$500
					2004 EHWA	\$200
					2005 EAGER utility trailer	\$200
					2013 WRIGHT	\$200
					2000 AIR COMPR TRAILER	\$500
					1987 MILLER Bobcat	\$500
					1975 FLAT BED TRAILER	\$900
					2017 Integrity trailer	\$100
					total (Also see Object Code 5485)	\$55,000
R & M OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$5000	\$2725	\$5000		office equipment repairs; equipment purchases; copier leases.	
OTHER REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$3000	\$-	\$3000		maintenance/repairs - hoses; gaskets; tap machine repairs; welding supplies.	
WATER PIPE REPLACE, REPAIR, RE	\$16000	\$-	\$16000		private contractor repairs - average emergency repair by private contractor is \$8,000.	

	FY 2025	FY 25	FY 2026	Percent	Support/Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-	
CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$8000	\$2554	\$8000		saws; pumps; compactors; rental of equipment from local vendors; cut off saws; compactors; pumps
COMMUNICATION LINES & EQUIP RE	\$1000	\$-	\$-		phone repairs; data drops.
OTHER PROPERTY RELATED SERVICE	\$1500	\$19			bacterial testing at contract lab; food for staff on extended emergency repairs, Access control and CCTV Maintenance
WORKERS COMP MEDICAL BILLS	\$30000	\$8855	\$30000		physicals; drug testing-Advantage & physicals; accident screens-Southcoast - Direct payment of medical bills
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$15000	\$5979	\$17500		police details; soils disposal.
GASOLINE	\$75000	\$31713	\$75000		fuel gasoline and diesel fuel; fuel vehicles at DCM and billed monthly by DCM.
PAPER	\$1500	\$539	\$1500		paper; calendars; log books.
R & M CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	\$20000	\$1814	\$20000		backhoe repairs
					Year Model Vehicle Make
					2015 410L JOHN DEERE \$5,000
					2018 410L JOHN DEERE \$5,000
					1998 410E JOHN DEERE \$10,000
					total \$20,000
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	\$3000	\$3871	\$5000		poison ivy killer; waders; safety equipment; clothing
CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$3000	\$225	\$4000		hand soap; bleach; floor wax; toilet paper; paper towels, surface cleaners; dish soap; spic & span, hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes.
TOOLS	\$10000	\$5514	\$10000		saws; cutting blades; paint; drill bits; screws; concrete/asphalt multi blades; chains, ladders; tools.
MOTOR OIL AND LUBRICANTS	\$6000	\$5442	\$-		maintain stock of oil, transmission fluid, tires.
PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	\$35000	\$18349	\$49000		see breakdown by vehicle in org 524600.
MEDICAL SUPPLIES	\$200	\$-	\$-		band aids; first aid supplies.
EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$5000	\$2857	\$5000		NEWWA courses
					Distribution Systems-D2/D4 Licenses \$2,500
					Distribution Systems-D1 License \$1,500
					Backhoe Training \$500
					Excavation Safety \$500
					total \$5,000
CONCRETE/CEMENT	\$70000	\$39563	\$70000		flowable fill to comply w/ordinance.
CORPS/STOPS/TUBING	\$20000	\$15810	\$20000		service boxes (95 x \$144) \$13,680
					1 inch curb stops 844-444 (20 x \$118.15) \$2,363
					2 inch curb stops b44-777 (1 x \$397.40) \$397
					1 inch corp. F1000-4 (35 x \$58.07) \$2,032

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Water Enterprise Fund - Water Maintenance

Employee	Last Name	First Name	Job Class Description	FTE	Annual Salary	Step Increase	Workers Comp	Longevity	License Stipend	Clothing	Total
26953	CABRALDO	ZACHERY	CHF WTR INSP BF	1	\$ 48,559	\$ 636	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000	\$ 900	\$ 53,095
17981	CARREIRO	MARC	WT MT WK I	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ 900	\$ 47,125
25393	COMBS	CJ	SR ENGINEER AIDE	1	\$ 54,648	\$ 716	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500	\$ 900	\$ 58,764
	DENNMEAD	MANUEL	WT MT WK I GC	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 2,500	\$ 900	\$ 48,625
26527	DESMARAIS	NOAH	WT MT WK I-CDL/BH	1	\$ 51,114	\$ 624	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 900	\$ 54,638
1967	DESOTO	KIMBERLY	PROJ SPECIALIST	1	\$ 65,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 67,400
18699	JACOB	BRIAN	DIR WTR DIST & MAINT	1	\$ 81,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 1,500	\$ 900	\$ 83,900
7279	MILLERICK	MAURICE	ASW 1	1	\$ 51,114	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 53,014
18121	MORAIS	JEFFREY	WT MT WK I SUP/ADE	1	\$ 68,152	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,700	\$ 900	\$ 70,752
1618	PEREZ	HECTOR	WT MT WK I	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 45,625
26489	PLEISS	EMILY	WT MT WK I	1	\$ 39,573	\$ 519	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 41,492
673	REED	PAUL	WORKERS COMP	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,213	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,213
21041	SHEPARDSON	WILLIAM	ADVANCED BH	1	\$ 55,374	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ 1,000	\$ 900	\$ 57,474
22282	SOARES	NORBERT	ADVANCED BH	1	\$ 55,374	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ 2,000	\$ 900	\$ 58,474
20087	TAVARES	PAUL	ADVANCED BH GC	1	\$ 55,374	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 1,500	\$ 900	\$ 58,274
27778	WHITTLE	RICHARD	WT MT WK I	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500	\$ 900	\$ 47,125
	SOSA	RICARDO	WT MT WK I	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 900	\$ 46,625
	NIEVES-AMAD	EMANIZAEL	WT MT WK I	1	\$ 42,489	\$ 494	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 43,883
	REGO	SHAWN	WT MT WK I-CDL/BH	1	\$ 48,559	\$ 519	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500	\$ 900	\$ 52,478
NEW	VACANCY		CHF WTR INSP	1	\$ 48,559	\$ 636	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000	\$ 900	\$ 53,095
	VACANCY		WT MT WK I SUP/ADE	1	\$ 64,745	\$ 832	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 900	\$ 68,477
	VACANCY		WT MT WK I-CDL/BH	1	\$ 55,374	\$ 624	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500	\$ 900	\$ 59,398
	VACANCY		WT MT WK I-CDL/BH	1	\$ 55,374	\$ 624	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500	\$ 900	\$ 59,398
					22	\$ 1,164,506	\$ 6,224	\$ 32,213	\$ 4,400	\$ 34,200	\$ 1,261,343

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/Calculations
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-		
WATER TREATMENT PLANT						
SALARIES & WAGES - PERMANENT	\$1044364	\$490573	\$1069897			See Detail by Personnel
LONGEVITY	\$3600	\$1300	\$3600			
SUMMER HOURS	\$-	\$-	\$-			
OVERTIME	\$120000	\$80265	\$150000			
SHIFT PREMIUM	\$16640	\$7860	\$16640			
HOLIDAY	\$-	\$3725	\$-			
RETIREMENT BUYOUTS	\$7000	\$-	\$7000			
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	\$-	\$-	\$-			
SERVICE OUT OF RANK	\$-	\$2847	\$-			
MEDICARE MATCH	\$12400	\$-	\$12400			
UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	\$16200	\$15200	\$16200			
OTHER STIPENDS	\$21500	\$21389	\$30000			
AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE	\$7200	\$3600	\$7200			
OTHER PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$50000	\$-	\$111929			
WATER TREATMENT PLANT	\$1298904		\$1424666	9.6822%		
WATER TREATMENT PLANT						
ELECTRICITY	\$850000	\$362740	\$900000			Power for WTF; pump stations.
HEATING FUEL	\$60000	\$29373	\$65000			Fuel for Boiler/Heat and Emergency Generator.
BUILDING & GROUNDS MAINT	\$30000	\$5473	\$35000			acetylene/ propane cylinders; hydrant wrenches; hydrant flush boxes; meter calibration; lab instrument calibration; lab repairs; pipe locaters; electrical supplies; plumbing supplies; heat pump; ice melt;
RESERVATION HDQT'S OPS & MAINT	\$45000	\$14083	\$50000			Site improvements
						\$17,950
						Mower/Tractor Repairs
						\$3,050
						Chain Saws + Repairs
						\$2,000
						Nuts; Bolts; Tarps
						\$500
						Paint
						\$500
						Lumber
						\$2,000
						Concrete
						\$500
						Cleaning supplies
						\$500
						gravel for fire lanes
						\$4,000
						rental: stump grinders; chippers
						\$6,000
						gate steel
						\$2,000
						Tractor attachments
						\$11,000
						total
						\$50,000

		FY 25	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/Calculations	
		Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-			
WATER PUMPING STATION MNT		\$15000	\$4462	\$15000			Generator Maintenance	\$4,000
							Hoses/Plumbing supplies	\$1,500
							Diving Services	\$1,000
							Raw water pump repairs	\$1,000
							Finish water pump repairs	\$1,000
							Commerce Drive pump station	\$1,500
							Howe St. pump station	\$2,000
							Hood St. pump station	\$1,500
							Wilson Road Pump	\$1,500
							total	\$15,000
R & M CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT		\$15000	\$10077	\$15000			Tractor/mower repairs	
OFF EQUIP/FURN MAINTENANCE		\$1000	\$428	\$1500			office supplies; file boxes; binders; folders; paper.	
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE		\$15000	\$185	\$15000			SCADA maintenance	
CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT RENTAL		\$700	\$-	\$700			coring machine; carpet cleaner.	
OTHER PROPERTY RELATED SERVICE		\$700	\$-	\$1000			Fire extinguisher inspection/replacement. Safety signs.	
WORKERS COMP MEDICAL BILLS		\$500	\$-	\$500			Direct payment of workers comp medical bills	
OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		\$60000	\$16099	\$60000			electrician contract	\$25,000
							forklift maintenance	\$2,000
							hoist inspections	\$2,000
							Operator private contractor	\$25,000
							Lab Equipment Maintenance and Calibration	\$6,000
							total	\$60,000
LAB TESTING SERVICES		\$50000	\$13531	\$45000			Lead Testing due to ALE	\$13500
LAB SUPPLIES			\$2998	\$10000			Total Coliform 1187 per year x \$12/test	\$14244
							Inorganics 2 per year x \$180/test	\$360
							Nitrates 2 per year x \$12/test	\$24
							Nitrites 2 per year X \$12/test	\$24
							Secondary Contaminants 1 per year \$180	\$180
							SOCs 1 per year x \$700/test	\$700
							THMs S4 per year X \$35/test	\$1890
							HAAs 32 per year X \$75/test	\$2400
							VOCs 2 per year x \$65/test	\$130
							SVOCs 1 per year x \$100/test	\$100
							Total Metals 2 per year x \$10/test	\$20
							Dissolved Metals 2 per year x \$10/test	\$20
							Perchlorate 2 per year x \$140/test	\$280
							TOC 21 per year x \$29/test	\$609
							Lead and Copper 80 per year x \$12/test	\$960

	FY 25	FY 25	FY 26	Percent	Support/Calculations	
	Budget	thru 01/16/25	Projection	+/-		
					Calcium 45 per year x \$18/test	\$810
					Aluminum 12 per year x \$18/test	\$324
					TSS 12 per year x \$5/test	\$60
					COD 12 per year x \$8/test	\$96
					E. Coli 18 per year x \$45/test	\$810
					Turbidity 12 per year x \$15/test	\$180
					Fluoride 24 per year x \$17/test	\$408
					PFAS Once per a Quarter x \$600/test	\$2400
					total	\$40529
OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$2500	\$-	\$2500		printer maintenance; outside printing; mobile pump unit supplies.	
CLEANING SUPPLIES	\$1000	\$232	\$1000		hand soap; bleach; floor wax; toilet paper; paper towels. surface cleaners; dish soap; spic & span.	
TOOLS	\$3000	\$85	\$3000		saws; cutting blades; paint; drill bits; screws; power washer repairs.	
EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$5000	\$4379	\$5000		NEWWA courses	
					T1-T4 Treatment License Training	\$4,000
					D1-D4 Distribution License Training	\$1,000
					total	\$5,000
CONCRETE/CEMENT	\$100	\$-	\$500		concrete for minor building/masonry/wall repairs.	
LUMBER	\$500	\$-	\$1000		wood for minor building repairs	
CHEMICALS	\$950000	\$441135	\$950000		25% NaOH (230,000 gals)	\$249000
					PAC (800,000#)	\$189000
					Liquid CO2 (345 tons)	\$100000
					Fluoride (75,000#)	\$90000
					NaClO (110,000 gals)	\$182000
					NaClO carboys (1,200 gals)	\$4200
					total	\$814200
OTHER SUPPLIES	\$200	\$-	\$200		Flashlights; marking paint, caution tape	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	\$84000	\$57266	\$98000		DEP/Town Tax	
					MA DEP WTF annual fee	\$39,000
					Freetown land charges	\$6,000
					Westport land charges	\$20,000
					Tiverton land charges	\$15,000
					Dartmouth land charges	\$18,000
					total	\$98,000
	\$2189200		\$2274900	3.9147%		
	\$3488104		\$3699566	6.0624%		
WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES						
TOTAL WATER TREATMENT EXPENSES						



Water Enterprise Fund - Water Filtration
FY2025

Emp#	Last Name	First Name	Job Class Description	Shifts	FTE	Annual Salary	Step Increase	Shift Premium	Longevity	Auto Allowance	Clothing	Supends	Total
1421	PIELA	DAVID	DIR WTR TR		1	\$ 86,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,400	\$ 900	\$ 2,000	\$ 92,300
8803	GRIFFIN	MICHAEL	WTR QUAL MGR		1	\$ 74,542	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 600	\$ 2,400	\$ 900	\$ 4,000	\$ 82,442
8614	MEDEIROS	THOMAS	WTR TRT 04	8AM-4PM	1	\$ 66,023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 1,500	\$ 68,423
27653	CHARETTE	DAVID	WTR TRT 04	12MD-8AM	1	\$ 66,023	\$ -	\$ 2,600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 4,000	\$ 73,523
7666	YOUSSEF	SAMEH	WTR TRT 04	4PM-12MD	1	\$ 66,023	\$ -	\$ 2,600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 4,000	\$ 73,523
26883	HIERPIE	ERIC	WTR MAIN FLOATER	7AM-3PM	1	\$ 66,023	\$ -	\$ 2,080	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 4,000	\$ 73,003
20097	BORDEN	JEFFERY	WWW ADVANCE	RES	1	\$ 55,374	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 1,000	\$ 57,474
24443	LARSON	CURT	WTR MAIN WKR I	RES	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 1,000	\$ 46,625
27412	BARBOSA	SUSANA	ATTNWATCH	11PM-7AM	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ 2,600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 1,000	\$ 48,325
22768	FILLION	JONATHAN	ATTNWATCH	SWNG	1	\$ 43,848	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 1,000	\$ 45,748
VACANT			ATTNWATCH	8AM-4PM	1	\$ 42,349	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 1,000	\$ 44,748
26852	PERRY	COURTNEY	WTR-TREAT G2-LAB		1	\$ 84,000	\$ 5,387	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89,387
27318	O'CONNOR	KATHLEEN	HEAD CLK		1	\$ 59,633	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 600	\$ 2,400	\$ 900	\$ 1,000	\$ 63,533
10666	LABOSSIERE	MICHAEL	PROI MGR	RES.	1	\$ 44,725	\$ -	\$ 2,080	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ 48,705
23851	POWER	KENNETH	TREATMENT MECHANIC		1	\$ 50,112	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ 51,012
VACANCY			ATTNWATCH	11PM-7AM	1	\$ 66,023	\$ -	\$ 2,080	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 4,000	\$ 73,003
VACANCY			WTR MAIN WKR I CDL	RES	1	\$ 12,584	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 1,500	\$ 14,984
COUTURIER	ALEXANDER	WTR TRT 04	MAIN/FLOA		0.4	\$ 1,064,310	\$ 5,387	\$ 16,640	\$ 3,600	\$ 7,200	\$ 16,200	\$ 30,000	\$ 1,143,338
VACANCY			PT WTR TRE 04		18.4								

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PAUL E. COOGAN
Mayor

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CITY CLERK _____
FALL RIVER, MA

March 3, 2025

Council President
Members of the Honorable Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Dear Council President and Members of the Honorable Council,

Attached please find a request from Chief Jeffrey Bacon, Fire Chief, to accept a donation of 348 flags to be used in the city's 911 Ceremonies. We ask for your every consideration with this request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

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City of Fall River, In City Council

ORDERED, that under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53A, the City of Fall River be, and the same is hereby authorized to accept a gift of 348 memorial flags, from the Remember to Remember September 11 organization, to be used during the City's annual ceremony at Battleship Cove in remembrance of September 11, 2001.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF FALL RIVER

March 3, 2025

Honorable Mayor Coogan,

I have been contacted through the Fire Chief's Association of Massachusetts by an organization called *Remember to Remember September 11*. They are a group that donates memorial flags to fire departments across the country for use in memorial ceremonies for the 9/11 tragedy (the flags measure 12"x19" with a 24" wooden pole). I am seeking your approval to accept a donation of 348 flags (343 firefighters perished on 9/11, plus 5 extra flags) to be used during our annual ceremony at Battleship Cove.

Respectfully,

Chief Bacon

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FALL RIVER, MA

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Jeffrey P. Bacon • Fire Chief
140 Commerce Drive • Fall River, MA 02720
TEL (508) 324-2740 • FAX (508) 672-5993 • EMAIL firechief@frfd.org



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Office of the Mayor**

PAUL E. COOGAN
Mayor

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CITY CLERK _____
FALL RIVER, MA

March 6, 2025

The Honorable City Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Dear Honorable Council Members:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, I recommend the following appropriations to your Honorable Body.

- 1: \$357,175.00 That the sum of \$357,175.00 be, and the same is, hereby appropriated
FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENSES from FIRE DEPARTMENT
SALARIES "RETIRMENT BUYOUTS".

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please feel free to contact me.

Best Regards,

Paul Coogan
Mayor

City of Fall River, In City Council

March 11, 2025

ORDERED:

That the sum of \$357,175.00 be, and the same is, hereby appropriated to Fire, Various Expenses, from Fire, Salaries "Retirement Buyout."



FIRE DEPARTMENT

CITY OF FALL RIVER

February 25, 2025

Mayor Coogan,

I am proposing, for your approval, a transfer of \$357,175.00 from salaries to expenses in my FY 2025 budget. The excess funds are available from our "Retirement/Buyout" line item as several members who we anticipated would retire this year have decided to remain after the arbitration ruling last year. The funds are requested for the following purposes. The first two expenses are unexpected, and the last two are designed to enhance our efficiency and delivery of service to the public:

- **\$263,175.00 for Training Tower Repairs**
 - The tower has not been inspected in over 20 years, and a recent inspection identified several items needing repair. The tower also needs to be painted to protect the exterior. As of the receipt of this report, the tower is essentially out-of-service until these repairs can be completed.
- **\$75,000.00 for Platform 1 engine & charge-air-cooler replacement**
 - During routine maintenance, corrosion was discovered inside of the engine of P1. It was determined that engine replacement was required. At the same time, it was discovered that the charge-air cooler required replacement.
- **\$4,000.00 for PSTrax**
 - PSTrax is a cloud-based platform for tracking everything from daily inspections of apparatus & SCBA to cleaning supplies and station maintenance. The use of this technology will save countless hours of manually tracking expiration dates for firefighting gear, eliminate the loss of paperwork, and improve communication and duplication of efforts with building and apparatus repair.
- **\$15,000.00 to install Knox Box key safes on all front-line apparatus**
 - We are purchasing key safes through the Knox company for each front-line apparatus in our fleet to better serve the citizens of the city by allowing for secure access to commercial and any residential buildings equipped with a Knox Box. The system requires an access pin for removal of the key and tracks each time the key is removed and replaced via a Wi-Fi connection. This will provide for the highest level of accountability for the Knox keys since the implementation of the program over 30 years ago.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Jeffrey Bacon

Jeffrey P. Bacon • Fire Chief

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FY25 Appropriation/Transfer Number Analysis

Line	Original/Revised Appropriation	Amount Transferred	Adjusted Balance
Fire Salaries "Retirement Buyout"	\$ 900,000.00	\$ (357,175.00)	\$ 542,825.00
Fire Expenses	\$ 1,128,591.64	\$ 357,175.00	\$ 1,485,766.64

I certify that there are sufficient funds available for these transfers.

Mark Ford
 City Auditor
 3/3/2025

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PAUL E. COOGAN
Mayor

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CITY CLERK _____
FALL RIVER, MA

March 5, 2025

City Council President
Member of the Honorable Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Dear Councilor President and Members of the Honorable Council:

Attached please find the audited financial statements of the City of Fall River for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 to be presented to the City Council.

Thank you and if additional information is needed on this or any other matter please contact my office.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

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**DIRECTOR OF
FINANCIAL SERVICES**
CITY OF FALL RIVER

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March 5, 2025.

The Honorable Paul E. Coogan
Mayor of the City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, Massachusetts 02721

Mayor Coogan,

Please find attached the audited financial statements of the City of Fall River for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, as well as the related correspondence from Roselli, Clark & Associates. We are requesting to have the audited statements presented to the City Council.

Sincerely,

Emily Arpke
Interim Director of Financial Services



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March 25, 2025

The Honorable Mayor and City Council,
City of Fall River, Massachusetts

We have audited the financial statements of the City of Fall River (the "City") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards (and, if applicable, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance), as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated July 1, 2024. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the City are described in the notes to the basic annual financial statements. The significant accounting policies used by the City are described in Note II to the basic financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during 2024. We noted no transactions entered into by the City during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the City's financial statements were:

- Net pension liability, which is actuarially-determined. We audited the fiscal year 2024 Fall River Contributory Retirement System financial statements (as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023) and issued an unmodified report on those financial statements dated July 17, 2024. In connection with that audit, we evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the net pension liability in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.
- Net OPEB liability, which is actuarially determined. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used by the City to develop the net OPEB liability in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

- Management's estimate of the allowance for doubtful accounts is based on historical revenues, historical loss levels, and an analysis of the collectibility of individual accounts. The most significant allowances pertain to the allowance reported in the City's enterprise funds as well as the allowance for uncollectible parking ticket and mortgage receivables. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the allowance in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.
- The financial position and results of operations of the Fall River Redevelopment Authority, a legally separate entity, were audited by others. We did not audit these balances or amounts; we relied on the audit of the other auditors. Due to its nature and significance of its relationship to the City, the Fall River Redevelopment Authority is presented as a discretely-presented component unit in the City's government-wide financial statements. Additionally, significant disclosures related to the Fall River Redevelopment Authority are included in the notes to the basic financial statements.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements pertained to the estimates described above and can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. A schedule summarizing uncorrected misstatements of the financial statements has been previously provided to management. Management has determined that their effects are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated January 30, 2025.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the City's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditors' opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the City's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

In addition to our more detailed discussions with management, we bring the following matters to your attention:

- 1) ***New Accounting Pronouncement for Compensated Absences*** – The City is required to adopt a new accounting standard relative to the reporting of compensated absences in its fiscal year 2025 audited financial statements for its government-wide and proprietary funds financial statements. Under existing accounting guidance, a compensated absence is generally reported for earned paid time off only to the extent that the compensation may be paid. For example, if City policy prohibits payouts for earned but unused sick time, even though employees can roll over unused sick time to the following fiscal year, accruals related to this earned benefit would not be required to be reported in the City's compensated absences balances. Under the new guidance, all forms of compensation earned but unpaid are generally subject to inclusion in the compensated absence reporting.

As a result, the City must analyze its compensation benefits for all employees to determine each type of earned but unused compensation that exists as of June 30, 2025. This accumulated compensation benefit will then be measured at the employee's pay rate as of June 30, 2025 (not the effective hourly/daily rate on July 1, 2025).

We discussed this new accounting standard with both the City's Human Resources Department and the Chief Financial Officer of the Fall River Public Schools, each of whom have agreed to compile the appropriate information for the City's fiscal year 2025 financial statements.

- 2) ***Excessive School Lunch Balance*** – As previously reported to management of the School district, federal school lunch regulations require that "net cash resources to an amount that does not exceed 3 months average expenditures." The fund balance in the City's school lunch revolving fund exceeded \$8.3 million, which represents a net cash reserve of more than eight (8) months. Note that the City is not alone in this matter as many Massachusetts cities and towns have seen significant growth in this fund balance due to a variety of factors including the Commonwealth's decision to fully fund school lunch. The School district must develop a written plan to address this surplus and operate to this plan to reduce this excessive balance.

- 3) *City's Share of Health Insurance Trust* – The City's share of the self-insured health insurance trust ("HIT") went negative at June 30, 2024. The City increased its contributions to the HIT by approximately 3% in fiscal year 2024, which apparently was insufficient as the City's share of the HIT fund balance decreased from approximately \$2.7 million to a deficit of nearly \$0.2 million. A \$2.5 million free cash transfer was made on January 28, 2025 to bolster this account. The pricing of employee/employer health insurance premiums should be closely monitored in future fiscal periods and close attention paid to timing of reinsurance (i.e., stop-loss insurance) applications.
- 4) *Employee Turnover* – Turnover in key financial and accounting positions over the past several years presents a greater opportunity for incidents of theft and fraud to go undetected by the City. We have discussed these risks with the City's current financial leadership.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the budgetary comparison, pension and OPEB schedules, which are required supplementary information ("RSI") that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the information and use of the City Council and management of the City and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,



Roselli, Clark & Associates
Certified Public Accountants
Woburn, Massachusetts

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City of Fall River
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CITY CLERK _____
FALL RIVER, MA

PAUL E. COOGAN
Mayor

March 5, 2025

City Council President
Member of the Honorable Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Dear Councilor President and Members of the Honorable Council:

Attached please find a request dated March 5, 2025, from Rebekah A. Pontes, Assistant Treasurer/Purchasing Agent, to have the list of properties attached be declared surplus properties for purposes of conducting a public online surplus auction.

Thank you and if additional information is needed on this or any other matter please contact my office.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

PC/amos

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

ORDERED, that the Purchasing Agent be, and the same is hereby authorized to sell at auction the following list of fourteen (14) surplus, decommissioned police vehicles:

Vehicles

PD355 2005 Ford 500
PD367 2006 Ford F150
PD405 2009 Ford Explorer
PD406 2009 Ford Explorer
PD417 2010 Ford Explorer
PD483 2015 Ford Explorer
PD541 2018 Ford Explorer
PD413 2010 Ford Crown Vic
PD481 2015 Ford Explorer
PD206 1997 Ford Econoline
PD525 2010 Ford Expedition
PD374 2007 Ford Explorer
PD369 2007 Ford Taurus
PD368 2007 Ford Taurus

VIN

1FAFP23135G167558
1FTRF12W26NB77476
1FMEU73E19UA29647
1FMEU73EX9UA29646
1FMEU7DE9AUA48594
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1FM5K8AR8FGA16017
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PURCHASING
CITY OF FALL RIVER

March 5, 2025

Mayor Paul E. Coogan
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Dear Honorable Mayor Coogan,

Pursuant to Chapter 2. Administration, ARTICLE VIII. Public Property, § 2-972. Surplus property: I seek your assistance to solicit council approval to conduct a public online surplus auction to aid in the disposal of the used Police vehicles on the attached listing breakdown through our continued partnership with Auctions International.

In my capacity as Purchase Agent, I will coordinate this effort in conjunction with Lt. John Martins, and Sergeant Peter Daluz of the Fall River Police Department, who will act as the administrative agents of Chief Kelly Furtado.

These vehicles are decommissioned due to either major accidents or repairs that prohibit them from passing inspections. In the case of operational vehicles, the cost of repairs is too costly for a continued investment. Any autobody and major drivetrain parts that were salvageable from the cruisers have been repurposed and reused on other vehicles that are still in service. All logo, emergency equipment, and Fall River Police identifiers will be removed or indiscernible prior to the auction process. Full inspection reports for all vehicles being auctioned will be provided to you upon request. There is no interdepartmental interest in these vehicles. The estimated value is under \$10,000.00. Auction proceeds would be considered general fund.

§ 2-972 Surplus Property; Surplus property determined by the Purchasing Agent to be no longer useful for any municipal purpose shall be sold or disposed of under such terms and conditions as the City Council shall by order determine. Surplus property, which is not bid on or claimed within a reasonable amount of time may be disposed of by the Purchasing Agent in a manner he deems to be in the best interest of the City, with documentation.

Sincerely,

Rebekah A. Pontes, MCPPO
Assistant Treasurer/Purchase Agent

Chief,

I am respectfully requesting that the following vehicles be sent to auction. Below is a brief description of why these vehicles are no longer in service and are being sent for auction. I have included photos of each vehicle, along with the necessary form for the online auction.

PD355 Ford 500:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to the continuous need for extensive repairs to remain operational. It has dents, scratches, cracked windows, and significant rust on the floorboards and quarter panels. Given the cost of repairs, it is not worth investing further. It is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2005
- Miles: 97,369
- VIN: 1FAFP23135G167558

PD367 Ford F150:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair needs, including a bad rear differential, high mileage, and rust. Repairing it is not cost-effective, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2006
- Miles: 203,181
- VIN: 1FTRF12W26NB77476

PD405 Ford Explorer:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair needs, including a new engine control module and significant rust. It is not cost-effective to invest in repairs, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2009
 - Miles: 155,917
 - VIN: 1FMEU73E19UA29647
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PD406 Ford Explorer:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair needs, including a failing transmission and significant rust. Repairing it is not cost-effective, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2009
 - Miles: 156,664
 - VIN: 1FMEU73EX9UA29646
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PD417 Ford Explorer:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair requirements, including a failing transmission and significant rust. Repairing it is not cost-effective, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2010
 - Miles: 80,321
 - VIN: 1FMEU7DE9AUA48594
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PD483 Ford Explorer:

This vehicle was involved in an accident, resulting in front-end damage. The cost of repairs exceeds its value, making it not worth the investment.

- Year: 2015
 - Miles: 116,007
 - VIN: 1FM5K8ARXFGA16021
-

PD541 Ford Explorer:

This vehicle was involved in an accident and sustained extensive damage. All usable parts have been salvaged for other vehicles.

- Year: 2018
 - Miles: 82,357
 - VIN: 1FM5K8AR3JGB92160
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PD413 Ford Crown Vic:

This vehicle has a blown transmission and engine, requiring extensive repairs.

- Year: 2010
 - Miles: 122,174
 - VIN: 2FABP7BVXAX102128
-

PD481 Ford Explorer:

This vehicle was involved in an accident and sustained extensive damage. All usable parts have been salvaged for other vehicles.

- Year: 2015
 - Miles: 124,041
 - VIN: 1FM5K8AR8FGA16017
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PD206 Ford Econoline:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair requirements, including extensive work to the break lines, fuel lines and significant rust. Repairing it is not cost-effective, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 1997
 - Miles: 53,226
 - VIN: 1FTJS34L1VHA53416
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PD525 Ford Expedition:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair requirements, including extensive break line work and significant rust. Repairing it is not cost-effective, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2010
 - Miles: 140,779
 - VIN: 1FMJU1G56AEB20658
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PD374 Ford Explorer:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair requirements, including extensive brake line work and significant body and chassis rust. Repairing it is not cost-effective, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2007
 - Miles: 111,120
 - VIN: 1FMEU73E47UA52532
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PD369 Ford Taurus:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair requirements, including extensive brake line work, holes in flooring of vehicle and significant body and chassis rust. The vehicle has electrical issues and will not start or run. Repairing it is not cost-effective, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2007
 - Miles: 87,622
 - VIN: 1FAFP53U27A181775
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PD368 Ford Taurus:

This vehicle has been removed from service due to extensive repair requirements, holes in flooring of vehicle and significant body and chassis rust. Repairing it is not cost-effective, and it is unable to pass Massachusetts inspection.

- Year: 2007
- Miles: Unknown
- VIN: 1FAFP53U97A181787

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CITY OF FALL RIVER
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Traffic & Parking Division



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Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

Stephanie MacArthur
Director of Traffic & Parking

CITY CLERK
FALL RIVER, MA

February 21, 2025

The Honorable City Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02720

Honorable Council Members:

At a meeting of the Traffic Board Commission held on Wednesday, February 19, 2025 the following request met all the guidelines, requirements and was approved by the Traffic Commission Board.

That Chapter 70 of Revised Ordinances be amended in the following Section:

Article: 70
Section: 387

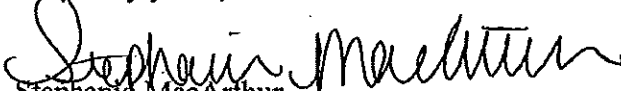
HANDICAP PARKING

By inserting in proper alphabetical order the following:

INSERT

Name of Street	Side	Location
Osborn Street	North	Starting at a point 163 feet East of Arpin St For a distance of 20 feet East.

Very truly yours,


Stephanie MacArthur
Director of Traffic & Parking

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**CITY OF FALL RIVER
MASSACHUSETTS**

Traffic & Parking Division



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CITY CLERK
FALL RIVER, MA

Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

Stephanie MacArthur
Director of Traffic & Parking

February 21, 2025

The Honorable City Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Honorable Council Members:

At a meeting of the Traffic Board Commission held on Wednesday, February 19, 2025 the following request was heard and approved by the Traffic Commission.

That Chapter 70 of Revised Ordinances be amended in the following Section:

Article: 70
Section: 387 **Handicapped Parking**

By striking out in proper alphabetical order the following.

Name of Street	Side	Location
Broad Street	North	Starting at a point 137 feet West of Shove Street. For a distance of 20 feet West.

Very truly yours,


Stephanie MacArthur
Director of Traffic & Parking

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CITY OF FALL RIVER
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Traffic & Parking Division



Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

Stephanie MacArthur
Director of Traffic & Parking

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March 4, 2025

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The Honorable City Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

CITY CLERK _____
FALL RIVER, MA

Honorable Council Members:

At a meeting of the Traffic Board Commission held on Wednesday, February 19, 2025 the following request was heard and approved by the Traffic Commission.

That Chapter 70 of Revised Ordinances be amended in the following Section:

Article: 70

Section: 387

Handicapped Parking

By striking out in proper alphabetical order the following.

Name of Street	Side	Location
Osborn Street	North	Starting at a point 156 feet East of Arpin Street. For a distance of 20 feet Easterly.

Very truly yours,

Stephanie MacArthur
Director of Traffic & Parking

Order – Fiscal Year 2026 CPC Funding

CITY OF FALL RIVER

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To the City Council

Councillors:

The Committee on

Finance, at a meeting held on February 25, 2025, voted unanimously to recommend that the accompanying order be referred to the full council for action, with Councilors Michelle M. Dionne and Bradford L. Kilby absent and not voting.


Assistant City Clerk

City of Fall River, In City Council

APPROPRIATION ORDER

ORDERED, that the following FY 26 appropriations be provided through the Community Preservation Act (CPA), revenues and reserves under the MGL Chapter 44B Sections 4 to 7 in the aggregate, amounting to \$1,816,444 to be appropriated as follows:

Voted: That \$1,816,444 be appropriated from the CPA Fund FY 26 Annual Revenues

For CPA Administrative Expenditures	\$ 45,000
For CPA Open Space/Outdoor Recreation PROJECTS	\$ 483,894
For CPA Historic Resources Preservation PROJECTS	\$ 696,452
For CPA Community Housing RESERVES	\$ <u>181,644</u>
For CPA Community Housing Unreserved/Undesignated	\$ <u>409,454</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$ <u>1,816,444</u>

Note: This is the thirteenth year of CPA Implementation. The anticipated CPA Surcharge revenue is \$1,538,577. Supplemental state trust fund distributions are estimated at \$277,867. Total \$1,816,444. Minimum 10% (\$181,644) must be spent or reserved under each of the three categories and the administrative expenditure cannot exceed 5% (\$90,822).

CITY OF FALL RIVER
IN CITY COUNCIL

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Referred to the
Committee on Finance

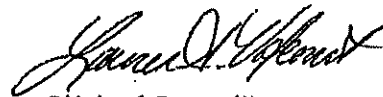
CITY OF FALL RIVER

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To the City Council

Councillors:

The Committee on Ordinances and Legislation, at a meeting held on March 4, 2025, voted unanimously to recommend the accompanying proposed ordinance, accompanied by an emergency preamble, be passed through first reading, second reading, passed to be enrolled and passed to be ordained, with Councilor Hart absent and not voting.


Clerk of Committees

City of Fall River, In City Council

EMERGENCY PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the immediate passage of the accompanying proposed ordinance is deemed necessary inasmuch as it vitally affects the health and safety of the public, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that said ordinance is hereby deemed an emergency measure in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43, Section 20 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

City of Fall River, In City Council

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Fall River, as follows:

That Chapter 70 of the Code of the City of Fall River, Massachusetts, 2018, which chapter relates to traffic be amended as follows:

By inserting in Section 70-387, which section relates to handicapped parking generally, the following:

Name of Street	Side	Location
Albion Street	East	Starting at a point 81 feet north of Downing Street, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
Bedford Street	North	Starting at a point 105 feet west of Eddy Street, for a distance of 20 feet westerly
Bradford Street	North	Starting at a point 47 feet east of Fountain Street, for a distance of 20 feet easterly
Foster Street	East	Starting at a point 33 feet south of Buffinton Street, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
Kellogg Street	East	Starting at a point 268 feet south of Osborn Street, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
Lindsey Street	East	Starting at a point 28 feet north of Brightman Street, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
Oliver Street	North	Starting at a point 90 feet east of Broadway, for a distance of 20 feet easterly
Pitman Street	East	Starting at a point 236 feet north of Harriman Street, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
President Avenue	South	Starting at a point 85 feet east of June Street, for a distance of 20 feet easterly
South Main Street	West	Starting at a point 91 feet south of King Phillip Street, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
South Oxford Street	West	Starting at a point 249 feet south of Brayton Avenue, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
Swindells Street	East	Starting at a point 130 feet north of Pleasant Street, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
Whipple Street	East	Starting at a point 67 feet south of Osborn Street, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
William Street	North	Starting at a point 36 feet east of Mulberry Street, for a distance of 20 feet easterly

Proposed Ordinance – Traffic, Miscellaneous
CITY OF FALL RIVER

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To the City Council

Councillors:

The Committee on Ordinances and Legislation, at a meeting held on March 4, 2025, voted unanimously to recommend that the accompanying proposed ordinance be passed through first reading, with Councilor Hart absent and not voting.


Clerk of Committees

City of Fall River, In City Council

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Fall River, as follows:

That Chapter 70 of the Code of the City of Fall River, Massachusetts, 2018, which chapter relates to traffic be amended as follows:

Section 1

By striking out in Section 70-373, which section relates to fifteen-minute parking, the following:

Name of Street	Side	Location	Hours/Days
George Street	South	Starting at a point 48 feet east of Lindsey Street, for a distance of 96 feet easterly	6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday

Section 2

By inserting in Section 70-373, which section relates to fifteen-minute parking, the following:

Name of Street	Side	Location	Hours/Days
George Street	South	Starting at a point 52 feet east of Lindsey Street, for a distance of 20 feet easterly	6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Sunday

Section 3

By inserting in Section 70-375, which section relates to one hour parking, the following:

Name of Street	Side	Location	Hours/Days
Brayton Avenue	South	Starting at a point 46 feet east of Rodman Street, for a distance of 60 feet easterly	11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday through Sunday

Section 4

By striking out in Section 70-387, which section relates to handicapped parking, the following:

Name of Street	Side	Location
Third Street	East	Starting at a point 190 feet north of Branch Street, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
Barnaby Street	West	Starting at a point 314 feet south of Lincoln Avenue, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
Bay Street	West	Starting at a point 20 feet north of Woodman Street, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
Diman Street	East	Starting at a point 100 feet north of Bradford Avenue, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
Eastern Avenue	West	Starting at a point 205 feet south of Downing Street, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
Irving Street	West	Starting at a point 212 feet north of Pleasant Street, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
Jencks Street	West	Starting at a point 21 feet north of Alden Street, for a distance of 25 feet northerly
Locust Street	South	Starting at a point 56 feet west of June Street, for a distance of 20 feet westerly
Oak Grove Avenue	East	Starting at a point 115 feet south of Lemuel Street, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
Oliver Street	South	Starting at a point 507 feet east of Broadway, for a distance of 20 feet easterly

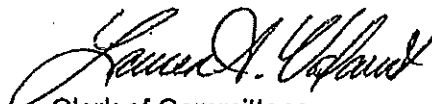
Osborn Street	North	Starting at a point 51 feet west of South Main Street, for a distance of 20 feet westerly
Palmer Street	North	Starting at a point 356 feet east of South Main Street, for a distance of 20 feet easterly
Pine Street	North	Starting at a point 122 feet east of Rock Street, for a distance of 20 feet easterly
Ridge Street	East	Starting at a point 136 feet south of Osborn Street, for a distance of 20 feet southerly
Sprague Street	South	Starting at a point 152 feet west of Broadway, for a distance of 20 feet westerly
Tuttle Street	East	Starting at a point 52 feet north of Dwelly Street, for a distance of 20 feet northerly
Wellington Street	North	Starting at a point 70 feet east of Fulton Street, for a distance of 20 feet easterly

CITY OF FALL RIVER

To the City Council

Councillors:

The Committee on Ordinances and Legislation, at a meeting held on March 4, 2025, voted unanimously to recommend that the accompanying proposed ordinance be passed through first reading, with Councilor Hart absent and not voting.


Clerk of Committees

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Fall River, as follows:

That Chapter 50 of the Code of the City of Fall River, Massachusetts, 2018, which chapter relates to Personnel be amended as follows:

By inserting in Section 50-301, which section relates to Salary schedules for executive officers, department heads and non-union personnel, in proper alphabetical order the following:

	Grade	Effective Date	Salary
Processing Archivist of Public Library Services	PAPL	3-1-2025	\$65,000

CITY OF FALL RIVER

To the City Council

Councillors:

The Committee on Ordinances and Legislation, at a meeting held on March 4, 2025,
voted unanimously to recommend the accompanying resolution be referred to Corporation
Counsel, with Councilor Hart absent and not voting.


Clerk of Committees

City of Fall River, In City Council

(Committee on Health and Environmental Affairs)

WHEREAS, those who live near the Copicut Reservoir and Southeastern Massachusetts Bloreserve have expressed concern regarding illegal dumping of large items in the conservation area, such as construction debris, and

WHEREAS, there are multiple sections of the City code related to fees regarding illegal dumping or littering, including Section 26-42(C), which relates to Activities prohibited on public watershed lands surrounding Copicut Reservoir, and

WHEREAS, the fine for littering near the Copicut Reservoir should disincentivize this type of illegal disposal, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation convene with the City Administrator, the Director of City Operations, Corporation Counsel and a representative of the Fall River Police Department to discuss the existing fines for illegal dumping near the Copicut Reservoir, how these fines are enforced when violations occur, and potential amendments to general fines for illegal dumping to increase adherence to proper disposal protocols in all neighborhoods.

In City Council, February 25, 2025
Adopted.

A true copy. Attest:

Alison M. Bouchard

City Clerk

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

(Councilor Laura-Jean Sampson)

WHEREAS, the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority (MBTA) Commuter Rail train tracks are now operational for locomotive testing within the City of Fall River, and

WHEREAS, Weaver's Cove Layover will store trains overnight between the last trip at the end of each night and the first trip the following day, and

WHEREAS, the stored trains and locomotives are generally shut down and powered by wayside ground power to mitigate noise, and

WHEREAS, during cold temperatures, these locomotives are required to idle as opposed to using ground power, and

WHEREAS, residents from neighboring areas of Weaver's Cove Layover have already submitted noise complaints regarding the idling locomotives in cold weather, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Public Safety convene with a representative from the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority and any other interested parties to discuss potential solutions to reduce noise pollution in the Weaver's Cove Layover area.

(Filed 3-4-2025)

City of Fall River, In City Council

(President Joseph D. Camara)

The City Council hereby recommends that the Director of City Operations
conduct lighting surveys at the following locations:

Pole #2 in front of 266 Highcrest Road

Pole #4 across from 261 Highcrest Road



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City of Fall River
Notice of Claim

2025 FEB 21 A 10: 19

1. Claimant's name: Robert Dennis CITY CLERK 25-7
2. Claimant's complete address: 229 Powell St F.R. MA FALL RIVER, MA
3. Telephone number: Home: 508-415-2877 Work: _____
4. Nature of claim: (e.g., auto accident, slip and fall on public way or property damage):
pipe reapture on Stockton St
5. Date and time of accident: 12-26-24 Amount of damages claimed: \$ 16,524.56
6. Exact location of the Incident: (include as much detail as possible):
241 Powell St Fall River MA.
7. Circumstances of the Incident: (attach additional pages if necessary):
pipe reapture next seat over flooded basement

8. Have you submitted a claim to any insurance company for damages arising from this incident? If so, name and address of insurance company: ☒ Yes ☐ No
Berkshire Hathaway Guard Wilkes-Barre PA

Be sure to attach the original of any bills issued or any written estimates of repair or replacement costs. (Any documents that you provide will become the property of the City of Fall River; therefore, please retain copies of any such documents for your files.) Attach any other information you believe will be helpful in the processing of your claim (for example, names and addresses of any witnesses, written medical records if personal injury was sustained).

I swear that the facts stated above are true to the best of my knowledge.

Date: 2-21-25 Claimant's signature: [Signature]

WHEN TO FILE: If your claim is based on a defect in a public way, you must file within 30 days of the incident. If your claim is based on the negligence or wrongful act or omission of the City or its employees, you must file within two years of the incident. PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS.

Return this from to: City Clerk, 2nd Fl., One Government Center, Fall River, MA 02722

You should consult with your own attorney in preparing this claim form to understand your legal rights. The Office of the Corporation Counsel is unable to provide legal assistance to private citizens.

For official use only:	
Copies forwarded to: ☒ City Clerk ☒ Law ☒ City Council ☐ City Administrator ☒ <u>Water</u>	Date: <u>2/21/25</u>

February 28, 2025

Fall River City Council

1 Government Center

Fall River, MA 02722

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Subject: Support for Additional Property Tax Abatement for 100% Disabled Veterans

FALL RIVER, MA

Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed additional property tax abatement for **100% disabled veterans** in Fall River. During the **February 26th City Council meeting**, there were discussions and questions surrounding this important measure, and I urge you to **vote in favor** of increasing the abatement for our local veterans who have sacrificed so much for our country.

Many of our **100% disabled veterans** face **significant financial and physical challenges** due to service-related disabilities. While current abatements provide some relief, they do not fully address the **rising costs of living, medical expenses, and home maintenance** that these veterans must manage. Providing **additional tax relief** is a meaningful way to show our appreciation and ensure they can continue to live with dignity in the community they served.

From a financial perspective, the number of veterans receiving a **100% disability rating** is a relatively small portion of the veteran population. Nationally, about **20% of veterans have been assigned a 100% disability rating by the Department of Veterans Affairs. (Benefits)**

This suggests that the fiscal impact on the city's budget would be manageable, while the positive effect on the lives of these veterans would be substantial.

Furthermore, several cities and towns in Massachusetts have already adopted increased abatements for their disabled veteran residents. Fall River has a long and proud history of supporting its veterans, as demonstrated by **Mayor Coogan's proclamation in August 2024, officially recognizing August 7 as Purple Heart Day**. This acknowledgment reflects the city's deep respect and gratitude for those who have sacrificed for our nation. **An additional abatement would further reinforce that commitment by providing real, tangible support to our most disabled veterans.**

I respectfully ask that you **vote in favor** of this proposal and ensure that our **100% disabled veterans** receive the support they deserve. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Melissa Furtado

272 Anthony St. Fall River, MA

(508) 243-1817

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MEETING: February 25, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, One Government Center

PRESENT: President Joseph D. Camara, presiding;
Councilors Shawn E. Cadime, Paul B. Hart, Linda M. Pereira,
Cliff Ponte, Andrew J. Raposo and Laura-Jean Sampson

ABSENT: Councilors Michelle M. Dionne and Bradford L. Kilby

IN ATTENDANCE: Seth Thomas Aitken, City Administrator
John Brandt, Chair, Community Preservation Committee
Alexander Silva, Clerk, Community Preservation Committee
Sandy Dennis, Administrator, Community Preservation Committee
Emily Arpke, Interim Director of Financial Services
Daniel Lane, Administrative Assistant, Board of Assessors
Richard Gonsalves, Chair, Board of Assessors
Talos Farris, Director of Veterans' Services/Veterans' Services Officer

The chair called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and announced that the meeting may be recorded with audio or video and transmitted through any medium.

In accordance with a resolution adopted, as amended May 8, 2012, persons are allowed to address the Council for a period of three minutes prior to the beginning or at the conclusion of business in the Committee on Finance.

1. Citizen Input Time

Thomas Cabral, 62 Sawdy Pond – Thanking Councilor Linda Pereira
Richard Branco, 137 Fifth Street – Homeless discussion

On a motion made by Vice President Pereira and seconded by Councilor Raposo, it was unanimously voted to waive the rules to allow a non-Fall River resident to speak, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

Tracy Albernaz, 246 Swanson Street, Swansea, MA – Homelessness and housing

Janice Heppe, 76 Buffinton Street – Homelessness and housing
Jordan Silva, Highland Avenue – Homelessness
Collin Dias, 560 Ray Street – Homelessness and numbers from the School Department
Jeffrey Gaudreau, 229 Palmer Street – Homeless/shelter
Sarah Reid, 89 Elm Street – Homelessness

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to waive the rules to allow a non-Fall River resident to speak, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

Cyndi Couto, 740 Reed Road, Dartmouth, MA – Homelessness

2. Order – Appropriating \$1,816,444 from CPA funds for FY26 community projects. John Brandt, Chair, Community Preservation Committee (CPC), provided a summary of recommended Community Preservation Act (CPA) Fiscal Year 2026 funding for projects, including those related to the Highland District, Saint Anne's Preservation Society, the Coughlin School, and Saint John's Holy Ghost Club. Mr. Brandt emphasized that the CPC cannot create these preservation ideas, and that individuals or organizations must submit applications for consideration and receipt of CPA funding.

Councilor Ponte, Mr. Brandt and Alexander Silva, Clerk, CPC, discussed various portions of the requested appropriation, how CPA funding can be utilized for housing projects and the decrease in applications for CPA financial assistance. Mr. Silva clarified that, according to Massachusetts General Laws, the CPC must allocate 10% of the funding to each category on the appropriation order, even if there are no current applications for those types of renovation projects. Mr. Silva also explained that if this funding is not used within the fiscal year, it remains in the account for the following fiscal year. Mr. Brandt explained that there are CPA funds available that are related to housing, but applications must be submitted to the board for that type of construction or renovation. Mr. Brandt also explained that when the CPC was first created, there were only 72 other municipalities utilizing this funding from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and that number has now increased to over 200 cities and towns, which decreases the available amount of state funding for Fall River. Mr. Silva confirmed that there are no current housing project applications that have been submitted to the CPC.

Vice President Pereira requested additional information regarding how the CPA funding can be utilized for grant matching. Mr. Brandt explained that the CPC can assist with this matter and that he has discussed this form of funding with the Administration, but an application for this would need to be formally submitted to the CPC for review and approval. Mr. Silva stated that the Water Division has utilized this type of grant match funding in the past. Mr. Silva also explained that, for housing initiatives, the CPC currently requests that at least 20% of units qualify as affordable housing.

Councilor Hart, Mr. Brandt and Mr. Silva discussed CPA funded renovations at the Bank Street Armory. Mr. Brandt explained that the CPC assisted with roof repair costs and Mr. Silva emphasized that, if the potential third-party buyer decides not to pursue the property purchase, the CPC can work to provide financial assistance with preservation grant funding.

Councilor Cadime and Sandy Dennis, Administrator, Community Preservation Committee, discussed financial matters regarding the CPA funding, including bond payments related to Open Space projects and repairs for the Central Fire Station. Mrs. Dennis explained that most applications received by the CPC are from individuals, and that the number of applications has decreased over the past few years. Mrs. Dennis provided a detailed summary of the application process, including the public hearings, during which they discuss the eligibility of those who seek CPA funding. Mrs. Dennis also explained that the CPC keeps fund allocations for emergency projects, such as the recent façade repair for the Maritime Museum. Mr. Brandt and

Mrs. Dennis encouraged individuals and organizations to explore options for submitting applications to the CPC for eligible projects.

Councilor Ponte and Mr. Silva discussed the fire suppression system renovations planned for the Coughlin School, which will provide additional useable, safe space within the building. Mr. Silva explained that there is a long-term plan to fully restore this property, and that the historic property now has a deed restriction. Ponte emphasized the need for discussion regarding the Affordable Housing Trust, as the City could work on that endeavor with the CPC, and Vice President Pereira complimented the organization that is currently working to renovate the Coughlin School.

On a motion made by Vice President Pereira and seconded by Councilor Raposo, it was unanimously voted to refer the order to the full Council for action, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

3. Resolution – Convene with the City Administrator, Corporation Counsel, the Director of Financial Services, the Chairperson of the Board of Assessors, and the Veterans' Services Officer to discuss potential tax exemptions for veterans, related to the HERO Act

Talos Farris, Director of Veterans' Services/Veterans' Services Officer, provided information regarding the HERO Act tax exemption options for municipalities, and explained that Fall River would need to determine the desired abatement rate for veterans. Daniel Lane, Administrative Assistant, Board of Assessors, stated that the City currently offers a motor vehicle excise tax reduction for veterans who are 100% disabled. Mr. Lane also explained that there are two clauses within the HERO Act, and the acceptance of these sections is at the discretion of all municipalities: Clause I, which allows the current exemption for veterans to increase each year, and Clause J, which allows the current exemption to be increased by 100% once. Mr. Lane stated that there are two existing exemptions for eligible veterans, one for a 10% or more disabled veteran and one for a 100% disabled veteran, in the amounts of \$400 and \$1000, respectively. Mr. Lane stated that these are the amounts that could be amended by the accepting one of the HERO Act clauses and clarified that individuals must re-apply each year for these exemptions.

Richard Gonsalves, Chair, Board of Assessors, explained that the exemptions for elderly residents were amended last year to allow individuals with a higher income bracket to apply, and stated that the income limitation was adjusted from \$20,000 per year to \$40,000 per year. Mr. Gonsalves emphasized that, since Proposition 2 ½ was voted upon in 1981, there have been no other adjustments to exemptions, and it is his priority to amend these restrictions to match the change in cost-of-living.

Emily Arpke, Interim Director of Financial Services, provided information regarding the City's ability to slowly increase the exemption amount for veterans and senior citizens, and emphasized that these increases should occur slowly to ensure adequate funding is available to compensate for these changes. Mr. Talos stated that there should also be consideration for economic inflation, and that an annual percentage increase should be considered for these exemptions. Mr. Lane explained that the proposed changes to the exemptions would not be a result of the HERO Act, but from the Board of Assessors' decision to change the rates for those who are eligible, and that if the Council preferred to accept sections of this legislation instead, it would place a limit on future increases.

Councilor Raposo asked if Clause I and Clause J of the HERO Act could both be accepted, or if the City was limited to choosing only one option. Seth Thomas Aitken, City Administrator, explained that, based on his interpretation of the legislative language, one change can be applied, but that this decision may be addressed in the future by the courts, as the wording is not clear. Ms. Arpke emphasized that any exemption amount adjustment would have a financial impact on City funding, as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will not be adjusting their reimbursement rates to match municipal changes. The Interim Director of Financial Services explained that other City costs, such as healthcare plan increases, pension liability and the new Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School project, could be affected by increasing these exemptions quickly, as there are many other types of tax exemptions that are not specific to the elderly and veterans. Councilor Raposo stated that the City needs to act upon these amended exemptions as soon as possible.

Councilor Cadime, Mr. Gonsalves, Mr. Lane, and Ms. Arpke held a lengthy discussion regarding different methods of changing existing tax exemptions, including utilizing the exemption overlay account and avoiding financial challenges with tax abatements. Councilor Cadime suggested the use of one-time funding to assist with this matter, and Ms. Arpke cautioned that this method may result in a deficit within the overlay account. Mr. Lane explained that tax abatements have decreased over the past few years. The City Administrator emphasized that the method to quickly increase the exemption amount may work, but that the risk of having to remove this benefit in future years would not be beneficial to the property owners in Fall River. Mr. Aitken stated that the tax exemption programs must be sustainable, especially with the uncertainty of the current economic market. Councilor Cadime expressed concern regarding delaying these exemptions, as using one-time funding would allow for financial relief for taxpayers quickly. President Camara emphasized the need for stable adjustments to benefit veterans within Fall River.

Councilor Ponte expressed support for Councilor Cadime's suggested budgeting technique to adjust the current exemption limitations. Councilor Ponte and the Interim Director of Financial Services discussed Massachusetts General Laws that are related to maintaining the overlay account for tax exemptions and abatements. Mr. Gonsalves clarified that the overlay account can operate with a funding deficit, but that there are multiple types of exemptions and abatements that utilize this account, and the City cannot discontinue the abatement process, no matter the amount of funding that is available. Councilor Ponte stated that future appropriation requests could be presented to the Council if additional funding is needed for this fund.

Vice President Pereira stated that the City should work to increase the exemption amounts quickly, and that two years is a long time for the increase to take place. Councilor Raposo asked if there were any motor vehicle excise tax exemptions for veterans, and Mr. Lane explained that the HERO Act places restrictions on this matter, as veterans must be unemployable or 100% disabled to be eligible.

4. Resolution – Convene with the City Administrator, Corporation Counsel, the Director of Financial Services, and the Chairperson of the Board of Assessors to discuss tax exemptions and property abatements for senior citizens

Councilor Raposo asked when an update on these exemption amendments will be presented to the full Council. Seth Thomas Aitken, City Administrator, explained that the Administration will discuss this matter in the next few days, as there is a desire to amend these tax exemption amounts.

Councilor Cadime reiterated that this matter must be addressed quickly to benefit the taxpayers, and that other financial matters affecting Fall River cannot be used to avoid providing this exemption relief to property owners. Councilor Cadime stated that all Councilors appear to support his suggested initiative of utilizing one-time use funding to jumpstart the process of amending the tax exemption amounts for the elderly and veterans within the City.

Councilor Raposo made a motion to table the resolution but received no second and the motion failed to carry.

Vice President Pereira stated that the process of these adjustments will be longer if the resolutions are tabled, and Councilor Ponte expressed concern that, if the resolutions are not tabled, the amendments may not occur. Vice President Pereira emphasized that the Administration would present an order with additional funding. The City Administrator provided financial estimates for the requested amendments and stated that the requested financial change would result in a tax exemption totaling \$340,000 for the two categories that were discussed.

On a motion made by Councilor Ponte, it was voted to take items 3 and 4 together, with Vice President Pereira and Councilor Hart opposed, and Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

On a further motion made by Councilor Ponte and seconded by Councilor Raposo, it was voted 5 yeas, 2 nays, to table items 3 and 4, with Vice President Pereira and Councilor Hart voting in the negative, and Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

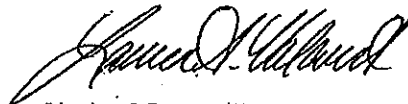
On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:59 p.m., with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

List of documents and other exhibits used during the meeting:

Agenda packet (attached)

Fiscal Year 2026 CPA Project Descriptions, provided by Sandy Dennis, Administrator,
Community Preservation Committee

Exemption and abatement information sheets, provided by Daniel Lane,
Administrative Assistant, Board of Assessors



Clerk of Committees

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

MEETING: February 25, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, One Government Center

PRESENT: President Joseph D. Camara, presiding;
Councilors Shawn E. Cadime, Paul B. Hart, Linda M. Pereira,
Cliff Ponte, Andrew J. Raposo and Laura-Jean Sampson

ABSENT: Councilors Michelle M. Dionne and Bradford L. Kilby

IN ATTENDANCE: None

President Camara called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by a salute to the flag and announced that the meeting may be recorded with audio or video and transmitted through any medium.

PRIORITY MATTERS

1. Mayor and confirmation of the appointment of Drew Carline to the Conservation Commission

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was voted 6 yeas to confirm the appointment, with Councilor Ponte abstaining and Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

On a further motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to take Item 4b out of order, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

RESOLUTIONS

- 4b. The Committee on Finance convene with the Administration to discuss ongoing issues with providing safe shelter services in the winter at First Step Inn, operated by Steppingstone, Inc., including challenges regarding adequate funding and staffing, strict qualification restrictions and bed counts.

Vice President Pereira expressed concern regarding this matter, including the strict regulations for eligibility of individuals to enter the First Step Inn, operated by Steppingstone, Inc. She further stated that City funding assistance is provided to this shelter, and that the City should have additional information regarding why these rules are in place. Vice President Pereira explained that the shelter does not open until 4:00 p.m., and this forces individuals to seek other shelter in cold weather, such as the Fall River Public Library.

Councilor Cadime expressed support of Vice President Pereira's suggestion that the City Council should be provided with additional information regarding the agreement that is in place with the City of Fall River and Steppingstone, Inc., as well as agreements for all other shelter facilities. Councilor Cadime also suggested that the City research temporary pallet houses and public warming centers.

Councilor Sampson explained that there are many City-funded programs, such as the services within the Timeo Center and the First Baptist Church, which provide protection from severe winter weather. Councilor Sampson stated that, while the agreements should be presented to the Councilors, the City has been creative with developing additional services for those experiencing homelessness, and there are many volunteers who assist with these programs.

Councilor Ponte emphasized that Fall River has been providing overnight prayer services within churches, laundry facilities, the Fall River Addiction Support and Treatment (FAST) team, and grant funding to organizations. Councilor Ponte explained that future discussions regarding this matter should be productive and respectful, and if justified, he may request an outside financial audit of Steppingstone, Inc., to confirm how their funding is being utilized. Councilor Ponte recommended inviting all shelter organizations to participate in this discussion.

Vice President Pereira and Councilor Cadime briefly discussed the new Massachusetts General Laws relating to Accessory Dwelling Units, which could assist with additional housing resources. Councilor Hart emphasized that the City must work with all parties to provide protection to all who are experiencing homelessness.

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Sampson, it was unanimously voted to adopt the resolution, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

PRIORITY COMMUNICATIONS – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

ORDINANCES – None

RESOLUTIONS

2. The Committee on Ordinances and Legislation convene with the City Administrator, the Director of City Operations and Corporation Counsel to discuss potential fine amendments relating to illegal dumping of solid waste.

Councilor Raposo explained that this resolution would allow the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation to review the existing fine ordinances for illegal dumping at the Copicut Reservoir and throughout the City. On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adopt the resolution, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

3. The Committee on Finance convene with the City Administrator, the City Treasurer/Collector and Corporation Counsel to discuss current properties in Tax Title or tax possession by the City, the Abutters Lots Program, and future tax possession auction dates.

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted to adopt the resolution, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

4. The Committee on Finance convene with the City Administrator and ARPA Director to be provided with a full account on all funds allocated, spent or redirected with ARPA funding, in addition to a status report on all projects funded through ARPA funding
Councilor Ponte expressed support for this resolution and stated that there needs to be a detailed discussion regarding the progress of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funded projects. On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adopt the resolution, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

CITATIONS – None

ORDERS – HEARINGS – None

ORDERS – MISCELLANEOUS

5. Police Chief's report on licenses
Taxicab Driver
 Duane Christopher Shealey

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

6. Auto Body Shop License Renewal

David Fernandes d/b/a Distinctive Auto, 14-26 Burns Street

Carl Garcia d/b/a Carl's Collision Center, Inc., 1591 Bay Street

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

Approved, February 26, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

7. Auto Repair Shop License Renewal

David Fernandes d/b/a Distinctive Auto, 14-26 Burns Street

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

Approved, February 26, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

8. Auto Body Shop License Transfer

Auto Body Shop License No. 21, located at 96 Alden Street, from John Medeiros d/b/a Medeiros Auto Body & Sales Inc. to Christopher Melo d/b/a Melo's Collision & Custom LLC

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

Approved, February 26, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

9. Auto Repair Shop License Transfer

Auto Repair Shop License No. 31, located at 96 Alden Street, from John Medeiros d/b/a Medeiros Auto Body & Sales Inc. to Christopher Melo d/b/a Melo's Collision & Custom LLC

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

Approved, February 26, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

COMMUNICATIONS – INVITATIONS – PETITIONS**10. Claims**

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted to refer the claims to Corporation Counsel, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

11. Application for a License to Conduct One-Day Bingo – We Love Children Fund Organization, May 3, 2025, at 20 Star Street

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted to approve the application, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

12. Drainlayer Licenses:

Mitchell Associates Construction Corp.

WC Excavation, LLC

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to approve the applications, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

Approved, February 26, 2025

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

On a further motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to take items 13 through 15 together, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

City Council Minutes**13. Public Hearings – February 11, 2025****14. Committee on Finance – February 11, 2025****15. Regular Meeting of the City Council – February 11, 2025**

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

BULLETINS – NEWSLETTERS – NOTICES – None

ITEMS FILED AFTER THE AGENDA DEADLINE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2025

PRIORITY COMMUNICATIONS**1a. Traffic Commission recommending amendments to the traffic ordinances**

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Vice President Pereira, it was unanimously voted to refer the recommendations to the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

COMMUNICATIONS – INVITATIONS – PETITIONS**12a. Planning Board Minutes**

December 11, 2024

January 8, 2025

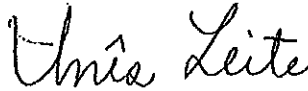
On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by President Camara, it was unanimously voted that the Planning Board minutes be accepted and placed on file, with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Ponte, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:44 p.m., with Councilors Dionne and Kilby absent and not voting.

List of documents and other exhibits used during the meeting:

Agenda packet (attached)

A true copy. Attest:



Assistant City Clerk

(Notice Date: February 28, 2025; 10 a.m.)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be conducted by the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency (the "Issuer") at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, via the following telephonic conference line:

Dial In: 1-888-305-1655

Participant Code: 309639

The purpose of the hearing will be to consider the proposal of Lifespan of Massachusetts, Inc. (d/b/a Brown University Health of Massachusetts) (together with its affiliates, the "Borrower") that the Issuer issue qualified 501(c)(3) bonds (as defined in Section 145 of the Internal Revenue Code), in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$200,000,000, to finance and refinance certain hospital facilities owned and operated by the Borrower for health care purposes and located at 795 Middle Street, Fall River, Massachusetts (the "Saint Anne's Hospital Campus"), 88 Washington Street, Taunton, Massachusetts (the "Morton Hospital Campus"), and 70 Walnut Street, Foxborough, Massachusetts (the "Foxborough Campus," and together with the Saint Anne's Hospital Campus and the Morton Hospital Campus, the "Hospital Campuses"), or adjacent or proximate sites. The projects expected to be financed and refinanced include, but are not limited to, reimbursement to the Borrower for the costs of acquisition of the Hospital Campuses and the financing of other miscellaneous capital expenditures at the Hospital Campuses.

The bonds proposed to be issued by the Issuer will not constitute a general obligation of the Issuer or a debt or pledge of the faith and credit of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Interested persons wishing to express their views on the projects and the proposed issuance of qualified 501(c)(3) bonds to finance the projects will be given the opportunity to do so at the public hearing or may, prior to the time of the public hearing, submit their views in writing to the Issuer at 99 High Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. Persons desiring to speak during the telephonic public hearing must make a written request at least 24 hours prior to the hearing by email to tefrahearinginfo@MassDevelopment.com or by mail to MassDevelopment, 99 High Street, Boston, MA 02110, Attn: TEFRA Hearings.

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