



Community Preservation Committee

Regular

~ Minutes ~

36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103
<http://www.springfieldcityhall.com>

Kathy Calvanese

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

6:00 PM

Utilizing Remote Collaboration Technology

I. Call to Order

6:00 PM Meeting called to order on May 21, 2024 at Utilizing Remote Collaboration Technology, (Online), Springfield, MA.

II. Public Portion

III. Statement

Springfield Community Preservation Committee May 21, 2024

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order concerning the Open Meeting Law, the Springfield Community Preservation Committee will continue to meet remotely until further notice. A full video recording of this meeting can be viewed here:

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Telephone 413-530-1268. Public comments regarding any of the 2024 projects will be accepted until April 30, 2024. Mail to Community Preservation Committee, City Hall, 36 Court Street, Springfield, 01103 or e-mail to: cpc@springfieldcityhall.com

Present: Clinton Harris (Park Department Representative), Robert McCarroll (Springfield Preservation Trust), Stephen Bosworth (Neighborhood Representative), Gloria DeFillipo (Planning Board Representative) - Juanita Martinez (Conservation Commission Representative) - Rhonda Sherrell - (Neighborhood Representative) Yolanda Cancel (Neighborhood Representative). Willie Thomas (Housing Authority) arrived later in the meeting. Judy Crowell (Historical Commission) absent

Call to Order 6:00 p.m.

Approve Minutes of May 7

Vote on 2024 Application Recommendations

Vote to request Local Technical Assistance from PVPC

Vote on FY25 Budget

Administrator's Updates

Abbey Brook Acquisition Conservation Restriction

Other Matters

Next Meeting June 4

Approval of Minutes

Approval of May 7, 2024 Minutes. Motion to accept the minutes by Martinez seconded by Bosworth. All in favor, yes. Motion passed.

(Out of order) **Administrator's Updates**

Abbey Brook Acquisition Conservation Restriction. The Natural Resource Manager is waiting for additional information before the Conservation Restriction draft is completed. It will be shared with the land manager of Mass Audubon and we'll meet to review the details. The Conservation Commission agreed to pay at least half the cost of the endowment fee. Mass Audubon is leaning towards absorbing at least half the fee. This will be confirmed soon. The application will be submitted to the Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) by Mass Audubon.

Other Matters (update on a submitted project)

10% of the budget is reserved in each of the three categories (Community Housing, Recreation/Open Space and Historic Resources) 70% or the remaining funds, are undesignated and can be used in any of the categories. Since there were not any housing applications this cycle, the funds will be set aside in the Community Housing reserves for next year or the CPC can recommend using the funds on an application with a housing project that applied under another category.

Mr. McCarroll had a conversation with Tina Quagliato Sullivan, Director Disaster Recovery & Compliance

who suggested on behalf of the 80 Byers Street project, that the City is willing to require that two of the three units be designated as affordable housing. The committee will discuss later in the evening.

Recommendations to fund 2024 CPA Applications (continued)

Due to an oversight in ranking, the Buckingham Fountain will be the first reviewed tonight.

Motion (Martinez, Bosworth) to recommend \$205,000.00 for **Buckingham Fountain & Triangle Park Restoration**

Yes: DeFillipo, Sherrell, Harris

No: Martinez, Bosworth, McCarroll

Absent: Crowell, Thomas

Motion failed to receive a majority vote

Motion to Reconsider **Exterior Restoration for St. John's Congregational Church** which failed to pass at the last meeting due to the vote of 3 Yes/ 3 No/ 2 Abstain / 1 Absent

Motion to discuss (Sherrell, Martinez)

Yes: Sherrell, Martinez, Bosworth, DeFillipo, McCarroll

No: none

Abstain: Cancel, Harris

Absent: Crowell, Thomas

Motion passed

Discussion and Vote.

Motion (Sherrell, Martinez) to Recommend \$300,000.00 for **Exterior Restoration for St. John's Congregational Church** from Undesignated Reserve

Yes: Sherrell, Martinez, Bosworth, DeFillipo, McCarroll

No: none

Abstain: Cancel, Harris

Absent: Crowell, Thomas

Motion passed

Members confirmed their round 3 ranks and voted for the following recommendations.

Each project received a motion to fund and a separate vote.

A	B	C	D	E
2024 Projects	Applicant	Category	Requested	Recommend
Buckingham Fountain & Triangle Park Restoration	McKnight Neighborhood Council, Inc	Recreation	\$205,000.00	0
Exterior Restoration for St. John's Congregational Church	St. John's Congregational Church	Historic Resource	\$299,999.00	\$300,000.00
Colony Hills Lamppost restoration	Colony Hills Neighborhood Association (CHNA)	Historic Resource	\$35,213.00	\$35,213.00
60 Byers Street Development Incentive	City of Springfield	Community Housing	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00
ReGreen Springfield Invasive Plant Control Program	ReGreen Springfield	Recreation	\$55,000.00	\$55,000.00
Glendell Park Vegetation Restoration and Enhancements	Regreen Springfield	Recreation	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
East Springfield Marshall Roy Park Enhancements	East Springfield Neighborhood Council	Recreation	\$300,000.00	0

Motion (Clinton, Bosworth) to recommend \$35,213.00 for **Colony Hills Lamppost Restoration** from the Undesignated Reserve

Yes: Bosworth, Cancel, DeFillipo, Harris, Martinez, McCarroll, Sherrell

No: none

Absent: Crowell, Thomas

Motion passed

Motion (Clinton, Martinez) to recommend \$300,000 for **60 Byers Street** with \$244,000 from the Community Housing Reserve and \$56, 000 Undesignated Reserve

Yes: Bosworth, Harris, Martinez, McCarroll, Sherrell, Thomas

No: DeFillipo, Cancel

Absent: Crowell

Motion passed

Motion (DeFillipo, Martinez) to recommend \$55,000.00 for **Invasive Plant Control Program (ReGreen)** from the Undesignated Reserve

Yes: Bosworth, Cancel, DeFillipo, Harris, Martinez, McCarroll, Sherrell, Thomas

No: none

Absent: Crowell

Motion passed

Motion (Martinez, Harris) to recommend \$13,000.00 for **Glendell Park Vegetation Restoration and Enhancement** from the Undesignated Reserve

Yes: Bosworth, Cancel, Sherrell, DeFillipo, Harris, Martinez, McCarroll, Thomas

No: none

Absent: Crowell

Motion passed

East Springfield Marshall Roy Park Enhancements did not receive a recommendation.

Remaining funds approximately \$21,000.00. No more recommendations at this time.

Motion (DeFillipo, Sherrell)

Yes: Bosworth, Cancel, Sherrell, DeFillipo, Harris, Martinez, McCarroll, Thomas

No: none

Absent: Crowell

Motion passed

Vote to request Local Technical Assistance from PVPC

Motion (DeFillipo, Harris) to request Local Technical Assistance (LTA) hours from the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission.

Yes: Bosworth, Cancel, Sherrell, DeFillipo, Harris, Martinez, McCarroll, Thomas

No: none

Absent: Crowell

Motion passed

Vote on FY25 Budget

2,200,000 Local surcharge based on FY24 revenue

317,000 State distribution

144,000 Interest

2,661,000 Total CPA revenue

266,100 Reserve for Community Housing

266,100 Reserve for Historic Resources

266,100 Reserve for Open Space/Recreation

79,400 Administration

1,000 office supplies

1,000 other supplies & equipment

1,000 office software

1,000 annual plan/hearing ad

7,900 coalition dues

2,500 project banners/plaques

52,650 CPA consultant

10,000 Preservation consultant

2,350 Unanticipated expenses

\$1,783,300 Unallocated Reserves

Motion to accept the FY25 Budget (DeFillipo, Martinez)

Yes: Bosworth, Cancel, Sherrell, DeFillipo, Harris, Martinez, McCarroll, Thomas

No: none

Absent: Crowell

Motion passed

Next Meeting June 4

Motion to adjourn