



CITY OF SPRINGFIELD

City Clerk's Office March 16, 2011

Regular Meeting Agenda~

I hereby notify you that at twelve o'clock noon today the following items of business had been filed with this office and can be acted upon at the meeting in City Council Chambers, Room 200 at City Hall, 36 Court Street **Monday evening March 21, 2011** at 07:00 PM according to Section 12, Rules and Orders of the City Council.

City Clerk

Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on March 21, 2011 at Springfield City Hall -- Council Chambers, 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA.

Orders

- (1.) Underage Alcohol Enforcement Grant (Mayor Sarno)
- (2.) Order Authorizing Application for a Section 108 Loan Guarantee Application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (Mayor Sarno)
I am submitting this proposed Order on behalf of Associate Solicitor Nathan P. LaVallee, who was unavailable to do so.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Order Authorizing App for Section 108 loan HUD (PDF)
- (3.) Shannon Grant (Mayor Sarno)
 - (4.) Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 Grant (Mayor Sarno)
 - (5.) Order Authorizing Award of Contract Over 3 Years (Mayor Sarno)
 - (6.) From re:Fire Donation –
 - (7.) ALARS Equipment (Mayor Sarno)

Reports

- (8.) To Change the Zoning of the Property Known as WS Holly Street (06702-0004) from Residence A to Residence B WS Holly Street Recommend
PETITIONER: Maria J. & Silver P. Serra
ADDRESS: WS Holly Street
CHANGE REQUESTED: Residence A to Residence B
PETITIONER'S PURPOSE STATEMENT: Construct two-family house

Informational

- (9.) From BPW re:Roosevelt Avenue - Installing Conduits & Manholes – To install about 604 feet of PVC conduits, about 195 feet of fiberglass conduits and 5 new manholes in coordination with the two bridge replacements over the CSX Railroad lines.

Matters Laid on the Table

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Possible Public Speak-out time at 6:30 P.M.



City of Springfield

SCHEDULED

Meeting: 03/21/11 07:00 PM
Initiator: Cheryn Wojcik
Sponsors: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno
DOC ID: 1165 A

2.1

Underage Alcohol Enforcement Grant (Mayor Sarno)

WHEREAS, the Police Department ("Department") has been awarded an Underage Alcohol Enforcement Grant of \$14,973.00 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security; and

WHEREAS, initiatives like added patrols and compliance checks to deter underage drinking will be employed throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the Department intends to use the grant funds to pay for overtime of police officers; and

WHEREAS, the Department has accepted the grant and requests authorization from the City Council and the Mayor to expend the grant funds listed below for the purposes of such grants; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer, after an evaluation of all pertinent financial information reasonably available, has certified that the City's financial resources and revenues are and will continue to be adequate to support the proposed expenditures and obligations involved in the City Council Order authorizing the expenditure of the grant funds listed herein, subject to the approval of the Mayor, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services, in accordance with Section 2(f) of Chapter 656 of the Acts of 1989, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 468 of the Acts of 2008.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, acting pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 44, sec. 53A, that the City Council approves the expenditure by the Department of the grant funds listed below for the purposes of such grant, subject to the approval of the Mayor, and the grant funds received shall be deposited with the City Treasurer and held as a separate account and may be expended for the purposes of the grant without further appropriation:

Underage Alcohol Enforcement Program \$14,973



City of Springfield

SCHEDULED

Meeting: 03/21/11 07:00 PM
Initiator: Thomas Moore
Sponsors: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno
DOC ID: 1167

2.2

Order Authorizing Application for a Section 108 Loan Guarantee Application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (Mayor Sarno)

I am submitting this proposed Order on behalf of Associate Solicitor Nathan P. LaVallee, who was unavailable to do so.

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In the City Council

March 21, 2011

**Order Authorizing Application for a Section 108 Loan Guarantee Application to the
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development****City of Springfield, Massachusetts**

WHEREAS, economic development is necessary for the long term financial recovery of Springfield; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield has determined that a high priority exists for economic development and job creation activities and that the proposed La Quinta Inn & Suites project meets these priorities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield Department of Planning & Economic Development has determined through an economic analysis that, once fully operational, the proposed La Quinta Inn & Suites will generate approximately 73 permanent full time jobs and will serve to produce additional revenue for the City's General Fund through the Room Occupancy Tax; and

WHEREAS, the HUD Section 108 Loan Guarantee program implemented by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, is designed to provide funds to assist these types of projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield is a participant in the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Entitlement Community Development Block Grant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield's status as an Entitlement Community in the Community Development Block Grant program entitles it to take part in the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Section 108 Loan Guarantee program; and

WHEREAS, the HUD Section 108 Loan Guarantee program provides that a program participants may borrow up to five years worth of annual Community Block Development Grant allocation, and can take up to twenty years to repay the principal and interest on such a loan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield is requesting a total of \$2,535,000.00 in Section 108 Loan Guarantee to assist with the redevelopment of the Former Holiday Inn of Springfield property, located at 711 Dwight Street, Springfield MA (Parcel # 04222-0323), into a La Quinta Inn & Suites Hotel by Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC.; and

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WHEREAS, the City of Springfield intends to use revenue generated by the La Quinta Inn & Suites Hotel project as the source of repayment funding for the HUD 108 Loan to be made by the project developer; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield on January 26, 2011 and February 16, 2011 held a public meetings to discuss Springfield's community and economic development needs, including the HUD 108 Loan Guarantee program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield has authorized the Chief Development Officer of the City to submit the Section 108 Loan Guarantee program Application and amendments thereto and all understandings and assurances contained therein, and to act in connection with the Application to provide such additional information as may be required; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS hereby authorizes an application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development be submitted in the City of Springfield's name for \$2,535,000.00 in HUD Section 108 loan funds to be used for development activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the City Council of the City of Springfield resolves as follows:

Section 1. The City hereby certifies and assures with respect to its application for a loan guarantee pursuant to Section 108 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, has the legal authority to make the pledge of grants required under 24 CFR 570.705.

Section 2. As a prerequisite for submission of the application to HUD, the City does certify that it has:

- (a) Furnished citizens with information required by Section 570.704(a)(2)(i) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended;
- (b) Held two public hearings, January 26, 2011 and February 16, 2011, to obtain the views of citizens on community and economic development needs; and
- (c) Prepared its application in accordance with Section 570.704(a)(2) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and made the application available to the public.

Section 3. The City has and will continue to follow a detailed citizen participation plan that meets the requirements described in Section 570.704(a)(2) of Title I of the Housing and Economic Development Act of 1974, as amended.

Section 4. The City has and will continue to affirmatively further fair housing and the guaranteed loan funds will be administered in compliance with:

- (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-352, 42 U.S.C. 200d et seq.); and
- (b) The Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-20).

Section 5. Will expend in the aggregate, at least 70 percent of all CDBG funds as defined in Section 570.303(e) of Title I of the Housing and Economic Development Act of 1974, as amended, during the one, two, or three consecutive years specified by the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community development for its CDBG program on activities which benefit low- and moderate-income persons, as described in criteria in Section 570.208(a) of the Act.

Section 6. The City has and will continue to comply with the requirements governing displacement, relocation, real property acquisition, and the replacement of low- and moderate-income housing described in Section 570.606 of Title I of the Housing and Economic Development Act of 1974, as amended.

Section 7. The City has and will continue to comply with other provisions of the Housing and Economic Development Act of 1974, as amended, and with other applicable laws.

Section 8. The City has and will continue to Certify regarding debarment, suspension, and other responsibility as follows:

- (a) The prospective recipients of the Section 108 Loan Guarantee funds and all of their contractors will certify to the best of their knowledge and belief, that they:
 - 1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
 - 2) Have not within a three year period preceding approval of their application, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or Local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - 3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(2) of this certification; and

- 4) Have not within a three year period preceding approval of their application, had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

Section 9. The City hereby assures and certifies with respect to its application for a guarantee pursuant to Section 108 of the Housing and Economic Development Act of 1974, as amended, that it has made efforts to obtain financing for the activities described herein without the use of such guarantee, and that it cannot complete such financing consistent with the timely executive of the program plans without such guarantee.

Section 10. The City has and will continue to hereby certify, to the best its knowledge and belief, the following:

- (a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any or cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement;
- (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or any employee of grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
- (c) It will require that the language of paragraph (a) of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Section 11. Continue to maintain a drug-free workplace by:

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the action that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibitions;
- (b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about the following:
 - 1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - 2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;

- 3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - 4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.
- (c) Making it a requirement that each employee engaged in grant activity be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a).
- (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:
- 1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - 2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction.
- (e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position and title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.
- (f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under paragraph (d)2, with respect to any employee who is so convicted.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, the Springfield City Council hereby approves and authorizes the Mayor and the Chief Development Officer, in the name of and on behalf of the City of Springfield to execute and deliver the Application for a Section 108 Loan Guarantee Application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, in substantially the form as attached hereto as Exhibit A.

A true copy of an Order passed by the City Council on March ____, 2011 and approved by the Mayor on March ____, 2011

Attest:

City Clerk

Attachment: Order Authorizing App for Section 108 loan HUD (1167 : Order Auth. App. for Section 108 Loan (HUD))

EXHIBIT A

City of Springfield, Massachusetts
Community Development Block Grant Program

Application
For a HUD Section 108 Loan Guarantee

\$2,535,000 Loan Guarantee Amount

Submitted By:
City of Springfield
Community Development Block Grant Program

To:
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

February 17, 2011

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La Quinta Inn & Suites*

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Part I. Project Description

PROJECT HISTORY:

The proposed project involves the rehabilitation of the former Holiday Inn of Springfield hotel building and redevelopment as a La Quinta Hotel. Originally opened in 1967, the Holiday Inn of Springfield and currently operating as City Place Inn & Suites, the Holiday Inn was the premier hospitality and lodging destination serving the City of Springfield and the surrounding communities. The hotel featured 244 rooms and 8,000 square feet in meeting space. From its inception, the Hotel served a vital role in cultural offerings of Springfield, to both travelers and residents alike. When it opened its doors in 1967, the hotel featured a great many modern amenities including a 120 seat rooftop revolving restaurant affording diners with a 360 degree view of the City and the Connecticut River Valley. In addition, to the rooftop restaurant the Hotel provided residents and businesses in the City with much needed convention and banquet space in five ballrooms. For the nearly 40 years that the facility operated as the Holiday Inn of Springfield, the hotel occupied a prominent position within the local hospitality industry.



The Holiday Inn of Springfield Resort Hotel pictured in its heyday

However, beginning in the late 1990s and accelerating in the early 2000s the hotel's physical plan due to a lack of new investment in the property by the former ownership group. In 2008 due in part to the impact on business travel caused by the Global Financial Crisis as well as several years of deferred maintenance on the property, the hotel lost its Holiday Inn franchise designation. Shortly after losing its Holiday Inn designation the property was foreclosed upon shortly thereafter by the former ownership group's lenders. While in foreclosure the facility operated by its lenders as an independent hotel under the name of the Inn Place. During the time while it was operated by the lender as an independent hotel reservations and occupancy deteriorated substantially, due largely to the loss of exposure to a national reservations database service.

In early 2009, the hotel was acquired by Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC a subsidiary of the Pioneer Valley Hotel Group, a well established regional hospitality management organization. The Pioneer Valley Hotel Group has an extensive portfolio of hotels it owns and operates, including four hotels in the immediate vicinity of Springfield providing approximately 400 rooms regionally. The Pioneer Valley Hotel Group's portfolio boasts a number of national franchise brands including Choice Hotels Comfort Inn & Suites and Hilton Hotel's Hampton Inn, to name a few. Upon acquiring the property, the Pioneer Valley Hotel Group set out to halt the decline in hotel and have to date successfully stabilized operations and have notably increased occupancy twofold.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Pioneer Valley Hotel Group recognized early on in its ownership of the hotel, that due to significant deferred maintenance that substantial capital investment would be necessary in order to restore the hotel to its former grandeur. To that end the Pioneer Valley Hotel Group has proposed a significant rehabilitation of the facility and rebranding of the hotel as a La Quinta Inn & Suites. In addition to the obvious benefits associated with an upgrading of the facility's physical plant, the rebranding of the hotel with national franchise will allow the hotel to have access to a national reservations service, thereby ensuring long term viability of the hotel's operations.

A rehabilitated and rebranded hotel will also carry with it an increase in employment opportunities to area residents as the fully functional La Quinta Inn & Suites will entail higher levels of staffing than the current Inn Place hotel operations require. This is largely a reflection of the fact that the rehabilitated hotel will be fully equipped to reenter the regional convention and banquet marketplace as those supplemental services were discontinued prior to foreclosure on the property.

The City of Springfield for its part and in recognition of the persistent rates of poverty and unemployment present within the immediate vicinity of the hotel has designated the La Quinta Inn & Suites redevelopment project as a high priority economic development project for the City. The City has recognized that a rehabilitated hotel will have the benefit of not only increasing the quality and capacity of the local hospitality offerings, but also

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serve to create substantial new job opportunities for low- and moderate-income residents to say nothing of preserving existing employment at the hotel. The City of Springfield over the course of the last several Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") program years has funded several hospitality industry-related job training activities for low- and moderate-income persons and the opportunity to assist in creating permanent hospitality jobs would augment existing economic development efforts. In order to realize the City's goal of new employment opportunities for residents, Springfield has opted to provide the project with substantial financial support in the form of a HUD 108 Loan Guarantee. Absent the financial support afforded by the Section 108 Loan Guarantee it is likely that the operations of the hotel will cease and that existing employment of current staff terminated.

Overview of Rehabilitation:

This application request for a HUD Section 108 Loan Guarantee in the amount of \$2,535,000 is made to Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC in support of the rehabilitation of the hotel site into the new La Quinta Inn & Suites. The Section 108 Loan Guarantee requested in this application, is made for purposes of providing Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC the financial resources necessary to undertake substantial rehabilitation of the hotel property.

JOB CREATION: The redevelopment of the existing hotel property will result in the creation or retention of not less than 73 permanent full time jobs at the La Quinta Hotel.

	NUMBER OF CURRENT JOBS RETAINED	TOTAL PERMANENT FTE POSITIONS	NEW JOBS CREATED
Total Employees at Current Project Facility	29	73	44
# of Permanent Full-Time Employees	10	40	30
# of Permanent Part-Time Employees	19	30	21
JOBS BY CATEGORICAL CLASSIFICATION			
# of Management Positions	2	7	5
# of Professional Positions	8	19	11
# of Technical Positions	1	2	1
# of Skilled Positions	0	5	5
# of Unskilled Positions	18	39	21

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW STATUS:

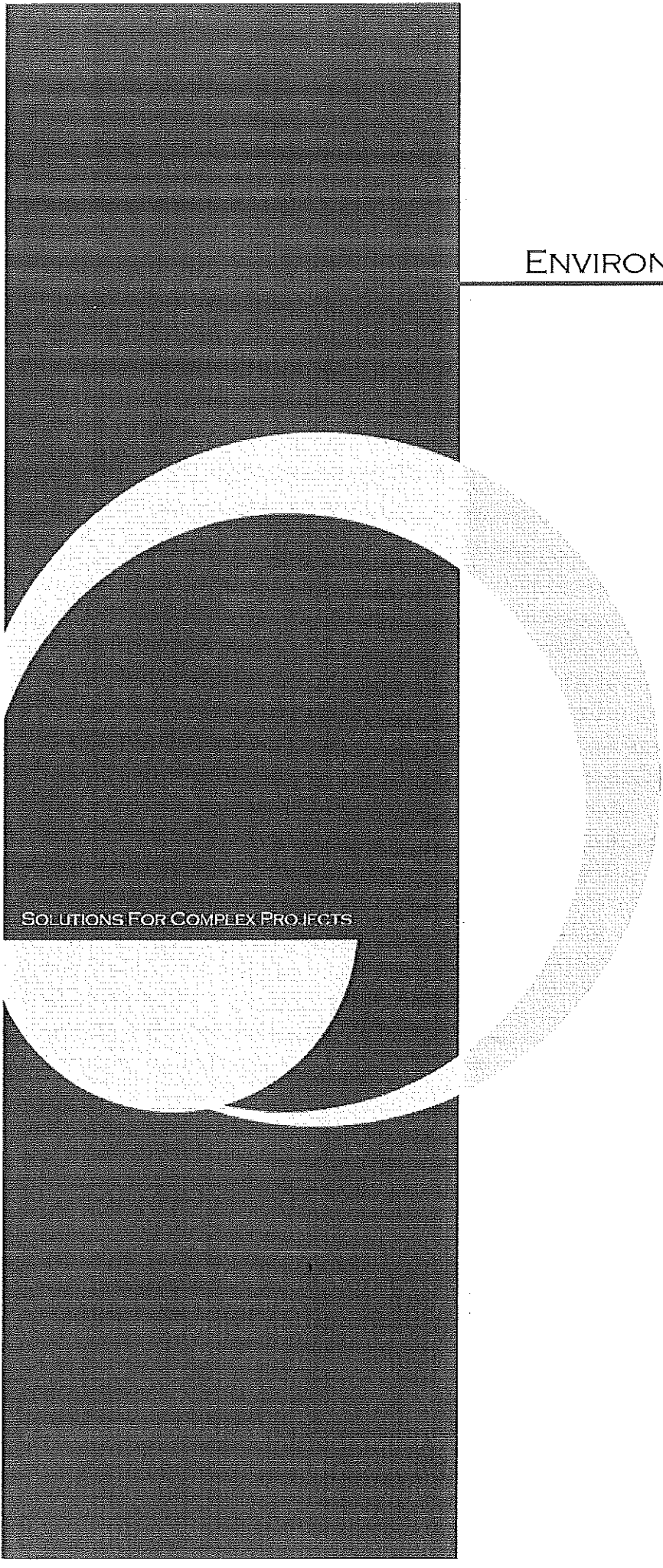
[INSERT CONCLUSION OF CITY ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION]

Part 58 Categorical Exclusion

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ENVIRONMENTAL **RISK** ADVISORS, LLC.

PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL SITE
ASSESSMENT
711 DWIGHT STREET
SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

Prepared for:
Shardool Parmar
321 Center Street
Ludlow, MA 01056

Project No. 10087-10
June 6, 2010

Prepared by:
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SOLUTIONS FOR COMPLEX PROJECTS

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ENVIRONMENTAL **RISK** ADVISORS, LLC.SOLUTIONS FOR COMPLEX PROJECTS

June 6, 2010

Project No. 10087-10

Shardool Parmar
321 Center Street
Ludlow, MA 01056

RE: Phase II Environmental Site Assessment
711 Dwight Street
Springfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Parmar:

Environmental Risk Advisors, LLC (ERA) is pleased to present the results of Phase II Environmental Site Assessment conducted at the above referenced site. The purpose of the assessment is, to the extent feasible, to evaluate the subsurface conditions at the site.

A Phase I ESA was conducted at the site by Environmental Compliance Services, Inc., of Agawam, Massachusetts in May 2010. Based on the findings of that investigation, the following Recognized Environmental Conditions (RECs) were identified.

- The potential for impacts to the subsurface at the site from past occupants (i.e. gasoline filling station, auto/tire service shop, cleaning business and/or coal business). It was not determined what type of cleaning business occupied the site in 1960, or if coal was historically stored on-site. In addition to the gasoline tanks associated with the former filling station and auto/tire service center, it was not determined if floor drains, drywells, oil/water separators or vehicle repair lifts may have been present on-site.
- The potential impacts to the subsurface from former and/or existing UST systems.
- The potential for subsurface impacts at the site from the adjoining 280 Chestnut Street property to the east and southeast.

Subsurface Activities SummarySoil Boring Advancement, Soil Sampling and Analysis

On May 28, 2010, ERA and Martin GeoEnvironmental Drilling (Martin) of Belchertown visited the site and advanced soil borings in the northwestern and northeastern portions of the site. Prior to commencement of drilling activities, ERA performed a survey of the area using a metal detector to evaluate for 1) the presence of underground utilities, and 2) to evaluate for the possible presence of any underground storage tanks (USTs). No evidence of USTs was noted during the survey. It should be noted that a detailed ground penetrating radar (GPR) survey was not conducted as part of this investigation.

A total of six soil borings (B-1 through B-6) were advanced at the site. Soil borings were advanced using direct push Geoprobe™ drilling techniques to investigate soil and groundwater quality. Soil borings were advanced to depth ranging from 12 to 20 feet below grade. During boring advancement soils ERA was able to collect were visually characterized, logged, and examined for abnormalities indicative of contamination (i.e. odor, texture and/or color). The soil samples were field screened for total organic vapors (TOVs) using jar headspace techniques in accordance with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) Interim Remediation Waste Management Policy for Petroleum Contaminated Soils (Policy #WSC-94-400).

Soil Screening Results – May 28, 2010

Field screening results employing standard jar-head space screening methods using a photoionization detector (PID) for the analysis of TOVs was conducted. TOVs were detected at concentrations ranging from below the instruments detection limit to the highest reading 5.6 parts per million (ppm).

Soil Quality Analytical Results – March 18, 2010

Soil samples from the 12 to 16 foot intervals were submitted from borings B1 and B-2 and from the 8 to 12 foot intervals were submitted from borings B3 through B6 were submitted for laboratory analysis. Soil samples from submitted to Spectrum Analytical, Inc. of Agawam, Massachusetts, for Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons (EPH) and Volatile Petroleum Hydrocarbon (VPH) analysis in accordance with the MassDEP approved method and Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) 8 metals according to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) approved methods. A copy of the laboratory analytical report is provided as Attachment I.

- No VOC, VPH, and/or EPH compounds were detected at concentrations above the laboratory method detection limits.
- Metals including barium, chromium, and lead were detected in samples collected from each of the borings at concentrations below the applicable Reportable Concentrations (RCs) for RCS-1 Soil Criteria. Arsenic was detected in samples collected from borings B1, B2, B3, B5, and B6 at concentrations below the applicable RC and cadmium was detected in samples collected from boring B2 at a concentration below the applicable RC. In addition, arsenic, barium, chromium, and lead were also detected at concentrations below the “natural” background concentrations documented in the *“2002 Technical Update – Background Levels of Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Metals in Soil”*.

Groundwater Quality Analytical Results

On May 28, 2010, ERA also collected two “real-time” groundwater samples. One sample was collected in each of the areas of concern identified during the Phase I ESA (northwestern and northeastern portions of the site). Groundwater samples were submitted for laboratory analysis for VPH, EPH, VOCs and dissolved RCRA 8 metals. A copy of the laboratory analytical report is provided as Attachment I.

- VPH C₉-C₁₂ Aliphatics and C₉-C₁₀ Aromatics were detected in samples collected from location MW-1 at concentrations below the applicable RCs for RCGW-2 Groundwater Criteria.

Naphthalene was detected in samples collected from both groundwater sampling locations at concentrations below the applicable RC. VOCs including n-butylbenzene, ethylbenzene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene, and xylenes were detected in samples collected from sampling location MW-1 at concentrations at concentrations below applicable RCs, with the exception of n-butylbenzene which does not have an individual standards pursuant to the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP). Even though this compound does not have an applicable RC no other compound detected in sample location MW-1 exceeded or came close to exceeding the applicable RCs.

- Barium was detected in samples collected from both sample locations (MW-1 and MW-2) at concentrations below the applicable RC for RCGW-2 Groundwater Criteria.

MassDEP File Review

The previous consultant indicated a potential issue resulting from an off-site release (280 Chestnut Street). According to the information reviewed via the MassDEP website, evidences that petroleum contamination from this property has indeed impacted the environmental conditions on the subject site. Three wells (GZ-17, GZ-16, and CS-8) were noted both by the previous consultant and ERA. These wells corresponded to wells being assessed by O'Reilly, Talbot and Okun Associates, Inc., (OTO) of Springfield as part of the on-going cleanup activities. Information reviewed indicates that a 15,000-gallon UST was removed from this property. The tank was located in the southeastern portion of this property (close to Congress Street). According to the most recent groundwater sampling event conducted in April 2009, EPH compounds were detected samples collected from wells CS-8 and GZ-17 at concentrations below the applicable Method Risk Characterization Standards pursuant to the MCP. No EPH compounds were detected in samples collected from well GZ-16 at concentrations above the laboratory method detection limits. No light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) was detected in any of the wells as of the most recent report submitted to the MassDEP by OTO on behalf of Baystate Health, Inc., date March 16, 2010.

Conclusions

At your request, ERA has completed a subsurface investigation at the above referenced site for the purpose of evaluating subsurface conditions at the site. As indicated above, A Phase I ESA was conducted at the site and based on the findings several RECs were identified. Historical uses at the site included a gasoline filling station, auto/tire service shop, cleaning business and/or coal business. These operations were identified within the northeastern and northwestern portions of the site based on historical resources reviewed.

As part of this investigation, ERA performed a survey of the areas of concern for the presence of underground utilities and historical USTs. No underground utilities, other than the ones marked out by digsafes and/or USTs were documented during the survey. As referenced above, ERA did not conduct a detailed GPR survey in the areas of concern.

ERA advanced six soil borings within these high risk areas. ERA collected and field screened soils from each of the borings. Field screening results did not identify any elevated concentrations of TOVs in any of the soil samples collected. ERA collected soil samples from each of the borings, to provide enough representative data, for laboratory analysis. Samples were submitted for VPH, EPH, VOCs, and RCRA 8 metals. VOC, VPH, and/or EPH compounds were detected at concentrations above the laboratory method detection limits. Metals including arsenic, barium, chromium, and lead were detected in samples collected from each of the borings at concentrations below the applicable RCs. In addition, arsenic, barium, chromium, and lead were also detected at concentrations below the "natural" backgrounds concentrations.

ERA also collected groundwater samples in each of the areas investigated. VPH C₉-C₁₂ Aliphatics and C₉-C₁₀ Aromatics were detected in samples collected from sample location MW-1 at concentrations below the applicable RCs. Naphthalene was detected in samples collected from both groundwater sampling locations at concentrations below the applicable RC. VOCs including n-butylbenzene, ethylbenzene, 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene, and xylenes were detected in samples collected from sampling location MW-1 at concentrations at concentrations below applicable RCs, with the exception of n-butylbenzene which does not have an individual standards pursuant to the MCP. Even though this compound does not have an applicable RC no other compound detected in sample location MW-1 exceeded or came close to exceeding the applicable RCs.

Based on the assessment activities conducted, no concentrations of compounds analyzed exceeded either the laboratory method detection limit or the applicable RCs. Based on the evidence it does not appear that a release of gross contamination in soil or groundwater is present in the areas of concern identified during the previous assessment. Pursuant to the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP) a MassDEP reportable notification has not been triggered. Therefore, based on this information no additional work is needed.

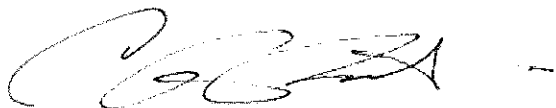
A documented release has been identified on the property to the south (280 Chestnut Street). The MassDEP has identified the RP or Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) as Baystate Health, Inc. Assessment and remedial activities have been conducted by OTO since the late 1980s early 1990s. With the identification of a RP or PRP and response actions being conducted, it is the opinion of ERA that no additional work is warranted associated with this release condition. The RP or PRP appears to be in compliance with the MCP with regards to MassDEP reporting and timelines. The most recent report (March 2010) indicates that OTO on behalf of the RP or PRP will be continuing remedial activities until such time as a permanent solution has been achieved.

Pursuant to the MCP off-site sourced releases of oil and/or hazardous materials discovered to have impacted the subject site, the property owner would be eligible to file an assertion of downgradient property status to limit potential liability. As referenced above, OTO on behalf of the RP or PRP is being pro-active in remediating the release of fuel oil; therefore the benefit to submit a downgradient property status would be limited, if any. This option remains available at any point in the future.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

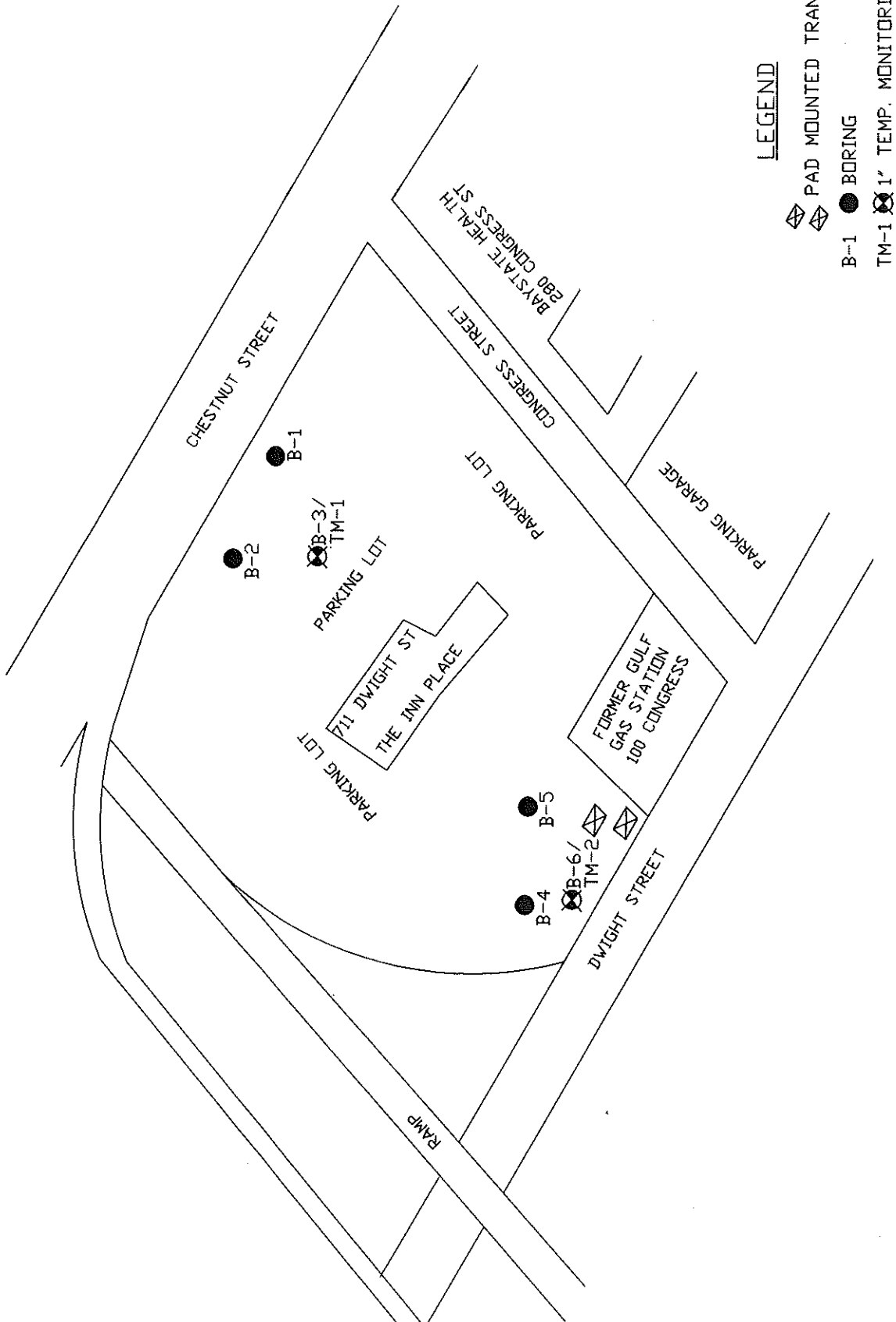
Sincerely,

ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ANALYSIS, LLC



Christopher P. Parent, LSP
President

FIGURES



LEGEND

-  PAD MOUNTED TRANSFORMER
-  B-1 BORING
-  TM-1 1' TEMP. MONITORING WELL

ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ADVISORS, LLC

LOCATED 711 DWIGHT STREET - SPRINGFIELD, MA		
BORING AND MW LOCATIONS		
DWG. 6-1-2010	SCALE: NOT TO SCALE	ISSUED BY: JAH

BORING LOCATIONS ARE APPROXIMATE

TABLES

Table 1 Concentrations of RCRA 8 Metals In Soil						
Results/Method Detection Limits						
Sample ID	B1/S4	B2/S4	B3/S3	B4/S3	B5/S3	B6/S3
Sample Date	5/28/2010	5/28/2010	5/28/2010	5/28/2010	5/28/2010	5/28/2010
Metals (mg/Kg)						
Silver	BRL/1.63	BRL/1.51	BRL/1.84	BRL/1.7	BRL/1.62	BRL/1.48
Arsenic	3.13	3.59	2.85	BRL/1.7	2.24	2.03
Barium	27.4	37.3	79.6	8.27	8.19	11.7
Cadmium	BRL/0.542	0.509	BRL/0.613	BRL/0.567	BRL/0.539	BRL/0.98
Chromium	14	13.2	27	9.25	9.98	10.2
Mercury	BRL/0.0322	BRL/0.0334	BRL/0.0362	BRL/0.0336	BRL/0.0348	BRL/0.030
Lead	5.09	7.17	7.03	2.07	2.29	2.74
Selenium	BRL/1.63	BRL/1.51	BRL/1.84	BRL/1.7	BRL/1.62	BRL/1.48
Bold - Indicates concentrations exceed RCs Milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) or micrograms per kilogram (ug/kg)						

711 Dwight Street Springfield, MA Project No. 10087-10	Table2 Concentrations of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Volatile Petroleum Hydrocarbons (VPH), and Metals in Groundwater		
	Results/Method Detection Limits		
	Sample ID	MW-1	Reportable Concen
Sample Date	5/28/2010	5/28/2010	RCGW-2
VOCs (ug/L)			
n-Butylbenzene	3	BRL/1	NS
Ethylbenzene	1	BRL/1	5,000
Naphthalene	51.7	1.2	1,000
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	5.5	BRL/1	100000
m,p-xylene	7	BRL/2	
o-xylene	3.7	BRL/1	5,000
VPH (mg/L)			
C5-C8 Aliphatic	BRL/0.075	BRL/0.075	3
C9-C12 Aliphatic	0.164	BRL/0.025	5
C11-C22 Aromatic	0.0879	BRL/0.025	7
VPH Analytes (ug/L)			
Benzene	BRL/5	BRL/5	2,000
Ethylbenzene	BRL/5	BRL/5	5,000
MtBE	BRL/5	BRL/5	5,000
Naphthalene	24	BRL/5	1,000
Toluene	BRL/5	BRL/5	40,000
m,p-xylene	BRL/10	BRL/10	
o-xylene	BRL/5	BRL/5	5,000
Metals (mg/L)			
Barium	0.194	0.104	50

Note: BRL - Below Reporting Limit, NS - No Standards

Bold - Indicates concentrations exceed RCs

Milligrams per liter (mg/L) or micrograms per liter (ug/L)

II. Project Sources and Uses

LA QUINTA HOTEL DEVELOPMENT COSTS BUDGET	
SOURCES	AMOUNT
HUD Section 108	\$2,535,000
Developer Equity	\$575,000
Total Sources	\$3,110,000.00

LA QUINTA HOTEL DEVELOPMENT COSTS BUDGET	
USES	AMOUNT
<u>Parking Lot Expansion</u>	
Purchase of Adjacent Lot	400,000
Resurfacing of Parking Lot	150,000
<u>Construction Costs</u>	
Replacement of Windows	500,000
HVAC Replacement	265,000
FFE Public Spaces and Rooms	1,000,000
Signage	50,000
Electrical	65,000
Plumbing	80,000
Car Port and Lobby	100,000
Laundry Equipment	7,000
Trash Disposal	25,000
Misc. Unattributed Labor	40,000
Project Contingency	428,000
Total Project Costs	\$3,110,000.00

Note: Costs presented above are inclusive of time and materials.

III. Project Structure and Participants

A. Pioneer Valley Hotel Group and Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC.

The contemplated Section 108 loan will be made to Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC, a Limited Liability Company organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with Mr. Shardool Parmar serving as Manager. Gulmohar Hospitality is member of the Pioneer Valley Hotel Group, an organization which owns and manages four hotels in the Pioneer Valley region of Massachusetts. As Borrower, Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC will use the proceeds of the Section 108 loan to fund certain redevelopment costs associated with the rehabilitation of the existing real property in order to bring it in line with the national hospitality standards of the La Quinta hotel franchise.

Mr. Parmar and his organization Pioneer Valley Hotel Group has an established track record of success and a substantial portfolio of major economic development projects which have had a transformative effect on their host communities. The Pioneer Valley Hotel Group portfolio features extraordinary examples of investment in formerly deteriorated hotel properties in underinvested urban areas.

Notable among these redevelopment projects is redevelopment of the former Seven Gables Motel in Springfield into a 110-room Howard Johnson Express Inn. In doing so the Pioneer Valley Hotel Group upgraded the property according to national hospitality standards and in doing so removed the formerly troubled property from the City of Springfield's inventory of blighted commercial properties. The conversion of the Seven Gables Motel into the Howard Johnson Express removed a significant impediment to neighborhood stabilization and dramatically improved quality of life issues in the immediate vicinity of the property.

In addition to the former Seven Gables Motel in Springfield, the Pioneer Valley Hotel Group has had similar success in the redevelopment of a formerly distressed 23-room motel property in Hadley, Massachusetts into a 70-room Comfort Inn.



Comfort Inn - Hadley, Massachusetts

IV. Principal Repayment Schedule

MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	NOTE AMOUNT	BENCHMARK	SPREAD	OUTSTANDING BALANCE
1-Aug-2011	0.000%	\$0		-	2,535,000
1-Aug-2012	0.000%	\$0		-	2,535,000
1-Aug-2013	0.000%	\$190,125		0.00%	2,344,875
1-Aug-2014	0.000%	\$190,125		0.00%	2,154,750
1-Aug-2015	0.000%	\$190,125		0.00%	1,964,625
1-Aug-2016	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	1,837,875
1-Aug-2017	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	1,711,125
1-Aug-2018	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	1,584,375
1-Aug-2019	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	1,457,625
1-Aug-2020	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	1,330,875
1-Aug-2021	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	1,204,125
1-Aug-2022	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	1,077,375
1-Aug-2023	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	950,625
1-Aug-2024	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	823,875
1-Aug-2025	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	697,125
1-Aug-2026	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	570,375
1-Aug-2027	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	443,625
1-Aug-2028	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	316,875
1-Aug-2029	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	190,125
1-Aug-2030	0.000%	\$126,750		0.00%	63,375
1-Aug-2031	0.000%	\$63,375		0.00%	-
		2,535,000			0

V. Collateral and Guarantee

The subject Section 108 Loan will be either a personal guarantee or will be guaranteed by Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC and collateralized in the interim by a subordinate lien on the real property and improvements thereupon which has an as completed market value of \$6,475,000 million. Upon completion of the La Quinta Inn & Suites the Section 108 Loan will be collateralized by a subordinate lien on the completed facility.

The Borrower will use equity to make Section 108 interest payments when due. The Borrower has requested that the City lend the Section 108 funds using a twenty (20) year Note Repayment Schedule. The Borrower has provided proof that the equity required to meet the obligations outlined above is available and will be irrevocably committed to the project upon approval of the Section 108 loan.

VI. Project Implementation and Timeline

The \$2,535,000 million dollar HUD Section 108 loan would provide Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC with the resources necessary in order to adapt the existing property to the standards required in accordance with the La Quinta hotels franchise agreements. Upon receipt of the proceeds of the 108 Loan Guarantee, the Borrower will immediately be able to undertake the renovation of the existing hotel property. It is expected that upon disbursement of the loan proceeds that the complete overhaul of the property will be achieved within a 6 month timeframe concluding by fall of 2011.

The contemplated hotel renovation will begin with the replacement of the hotel's original windows. Replacement windows will increase the thermal efficiency significantly. Window replacement will contribute significantly to the aesthetic appearance of the property. In addition, to replacement of windows, a new highly efficient HVAC system will be installed on the building, resulting in a projected 15-20% reduction in energy usage. These two improvements will result in substantially increasing the energy efficiency of the building bringing it in line with several Green building efficiency targets informally adopted by the City of Springfield.

The proceeds of the 108 Loan Guarantee will enable the Borrower to undertake substantial rehabilitation of the interior of the building. These interior renovations will include the upgrading of furniture, carpeting, wallpaper, televisions, new beds and bedding, new tile, toilets, bathtubs, vanities and other fixtures. Exterior improvements will include new signage as well as the improvement of entry and egress areas in order to bring the same into compliance with ADA standards. Additionally, the redevelopment will include the improvement of parking facilities, which will include the acquisition of an adjacent blighted property for expanded parking purposes.

These property improvements will serve to bring the existing property into a condition consistent with contemporary standards for hospitality properties within the market. In undertaking these renovations, the Borrower is ensuring the vitality of the existing operation as well as providing the necessary preconditions for more robust revenue generation. Moreover, the rehabilitated property will ensure the preservation of a vital hospitality resource in the City of Springfield as well as providing for an increase in employment opportunities for low- and moderate-income City residents. It is projected that a fully renovated hotel will substantially boost occupancy levels, which have declined appreciably due to the deterioration of the physical plant. A reinvigorated hotel property promises to bring significant economic benefit to the City both in the form of increased tourism related traffic as well as a boost in tax revenue to the City attributable to the City's hospitality room tax.

VII. Eligible Activity

In addition to meeting a National Objective, each Section 108 Loan Guarantee must satisfy an eligible activity under 24 CFR 570.703, whilst meeting the general policies of the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) under 24 CFR 570.200.

The project qualifies as an eligible use of Section 108 loans under 570.703(i) (1) which holds that “the provision of assistance to a private for-profit business, including, but not limited to, grants, loans, loan guarantees, technical assistance, and other forms of support, for any activity where assistance is appropriate to carry out an economic development project...”

VIII. Criteria for National Objectives

Pursuant to the dictates of 24 CFR 570.208, all CDBG assisted activities must meet one of three National Objectives. These National Objectives are as follows:

1. Benefit to low- and moderate-income families, at 24 CFR 570.208(a)
2. Aid in the prevention or elimination of blight, at 24 CFR 570.208(b)
3. Activities meeting community development needs having a particular urgency, at 24 CFR 570.208(c)

The proposed economic development project complies under the national objectives via 24 CFR 570.208(a)(4)(i) – Job Creation and Retention Activities.

IX. Public Benefit Standards

The City of Springfield is responsible for ensuring that at least a minimum level of public benefit is obtained from the level of expenditure of CDBG funds under the categories of eligibility governed by the CDBG guideline. The new La Quinta Hotel will create or retain approximately 73 permanent full time jobs within a three-year period of beginning in the fall of 2011. The Borrower has certified to the City that at least 51% of these new full time jobs will be made available to low- and moderate-income area residents under the terms of a First Consideration Agreement. Therefore, the completed La Quinta Hotel project meets the requirements for evaluating and selecting economic development projects contained in 24 CFR 570.209(b)(1)(i). See Attachment VII for a breakdown of projected job categories.

X. City of Springfield, Entitlement Community - Community Development Block Grant Pledge

The City Council of the City of Springfield has approved the submission of this application by the City. In doing so, City acknowledges and agrees that it will pledge future Community Development Block Grant funds in an amount sufficient to repay the Section 108 loan as agreed should the Borrower be unable to make their payments. This pledge does not relieve the City from the requirement to pursue collection under the Mortgage and Note to be executed as a condition of lending the Section 108 loan proceeds to Gulmohar Hospitality, LLC.

XI. Contact Information

John Judge
Chief Development Officer
City of Springfield
City Hall
36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103

Attachments:

- I. Standard Form 424
- II. Section 108 Certifications
 - City of Springfield Certifications:
 - a. Nonentitlement Community Public Entity Certifications
 - b. HUD Form-2992 (Debarment Form)
 - c. HUD Form-50071 (Anti-Lobbying Form)
 - d. HUD Form-50070 (Drug Free Workplace Form)
- III. Certified copy of the City of Springfield Resolution approving submission of 108 Application.
- IV. Affidavit of Publication
- V. City of Springfield Acknowledgement of Community Block Development Grant Pledge
- VI. Appraisal of Property
- VII. Breakdown of the job categories to be made available to Low- and Moderate-Income Individuals

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City of Springfield

SCHEDULED

Meeting: 03/21/11 07:00 PM
Initiator: Cheryn Wojcik
Sponsors: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno
DOC ID: 1162 A

2.3

Shannon Grant (Mayor Sarno)

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD

In the City Council March 21, 2011

WHEREAS, the Police Department ("Department") has been awarded a Shannon Grant" of \$500,000.00 from the U.S. Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, to identify and work directly with gang members and youth at risk of becoming involved with gang activity to promote prevention, intervention, and suppression which will reduce gang related crime and youth violence, and

WHEREAS, the Department intends to use the grant funds to pay for police overtime, employee benefits, program supplies, coordinator salary, and vendor contracts, and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the programming associated with the Shannon Grant is \$1,288,300.40; and

WHEREAS, the grant will pay for \$500,000.00, the Police Department has committed an in-kind match of \$394,466.40, and the grant's community partners have committed an in-kind match of \$393,834; and

WHEREAS, the Department has accepted the grant and requests authorization from the City Council and the Mayor to expend the grant funds listed below for the purposes of such grants; and (Need letter from department head accepting the grant)

WHEREAS, the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer, after an evaluation of all pertinent financial information reasonably available, has certified that the City's financial resources and revenues are and will continue to be adequate to support the proposed expenditures and obligations involved in the City Council Order authorizing the expenditure of the grant funds and the required City matching contribution described herein, subject to the approval of the Mayor, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services, in accordance with Section 2(f) of Chapter 656 of the Acts of 1989, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 468 of the Acts of 2008.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, acting pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 44, sect 53A, that the City Council approves the expenditure by the

Department of the grant funds listed below for the purposes of such grant, subject to the approval of the Mayor, and the grant funds received shall be deposited with the City Treasurer and held as a separate account and may be expended for the purposes of the grant without further appropriation:

Shannon Grant \$500,000



City of Springfield

SCHEDULED

Meeting: 03/21/11 07:00 PM
Initiator: Cheryn Wojcik
Sponsors: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno
DOC ID: 1163 A

2.4

Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 Grant (Mayor Sarno)

WHEREAS, the Housing Department ("Department") has been awarded a Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 Grant" of \$1,197,000.00 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, rehabilitate and redevelop foreclosed and abandoned properties throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the Department intends to use the grant funds to pay for the rehabilitation or redevelopment of foreclosed or abandoned residential structures and properties in target neighborhoods (Old Hill, Six Corners, South End, and lower Forest Park); and

WHEREAS, the Department has accepted the grant and requests authorization from the City Council and the Mayor to expend the grant funds listed below for the purposes of such grants; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer, after an evaluation of all pertinent financial information reasonably available, has certified that the City's financial resources and revenues are and will continue to be adequate to support the proposed expenditures and obligations involved in the City Council Order authorizing the expenditure of the grant funds listed herein, subject to the approval of the Mayor, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services, in accordance with Section 2(f) of Chapter 656 of the Acts of 1989, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 468 of the Acts of 2008.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, acting pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 44, sec. 53A, that the City Council approves the expenditure by the Department of the grant funds listed below for the purposes of such grant, subject to the approval of the Mayor, and the grant funds received shall be deposited with the City Treasurer and held as a separate account and may be expended for the purposes of the grant without further appropriation:

Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 Grant \$1,197,000



City of Springfield

SCHEDULED

Meeting: 03/21/11 07:00 PM
Initiator: Kathy Breck
Sponsors: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno
DOC ID: 1164

2.5

Order Authorizing Award of Contract Over 3 Years (Mayor Sarno)

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD

In the City Council March 21, 2011

WHEREAS, Massachusetts General Laws chapter 30B, section 12(b) provides that the Chief Procurement Officer may not award a contract for more than three(3) years without a majority vote of the governmental body; and

WHEREAS, the School Foodservice Program contract for the Springfield Public Schools expires on June 30, 2011, and the School Department is preparing to issue a Request for Proposals for a new contract for the School Foodservice Program to begin July 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Federal Regulations, School Foodservice Program contracts are typically awarded as a one-year contract, with four one-year renewal terms, for a total maximum contract length of five (5) years, and the School Department requests authority to award such a contract; and

WHEREAS, the School Department recommends that a 5-year maximum contract term would result in better pricing and would cause less disruption to the School Foodservice Program than a standard 3-year maximum contract term, and that it would be in the City's best interests to award such a contract;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 30B, section 12(b), that the City Council approves the award of a contract for School Foodservice Program for a term of up to five (5) years.



City of Springfield

SCHEDULED

Meeting: 03/21/11 07:00 PM
Initiator: Chris Kulig
Sponsors: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno
DOC ID: 1160 A

2.6

Fire Donation

By the City Council of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts:
Notice having been given and a public hearing held, as provided by law,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

That the, be and it is hereby granted a location for and permission to

Fire Donation

Also that permission be and hereby granted said {ResUserUserLookup1} to complete the above request.

I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts held on March 21, 2011

City Clerk

We hereby certify that on, at, at a public hearing was held on the petition of the for permission to complete the above mentioned request.

City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a location order and certificate of hearing with notice adopted by the City Council of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, on the March 21, 2011, and recorded with the records of location orders of said city. This certified copy is made under the provision of Chapter 166 of the General Laws and any additions thereto or amendments thereof.

Attest:

City Clerk



City of Springfield

SCHEDULED

Meeting: 03/21/11 07:00 PM
Initiator: Cheryn Wojcik
Sponsors: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno
DOC ID: 1166 A

2.7

ALARS Equipment (Mayor Sarno)

WHEREAS, the Police Department ("Department") has been awarded a "Automated License Plate Reader Grant" of \$17,285.00 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Safety and Security; and

WHEREAS, the Department will be able to purchase and install one (1) Automated License and Registration System (ALARS); and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the ALARS unit, complete with vehicle installation kit and operator license is \$17,285; and

WHEREAS, the grant will pay for 100% of the cost of the ALARS package, which is \$17,285.00, and the City has agreed to pay an in-kind match of \$19,006.00, which will be paid from the City's employee benefit account which has already been appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Department has accepted the grant and requests authorization from the City Council and the Mayor to expend the grant funds listed below for the purposes of such grants; and (Need letter from department head accepting the grant)

WHEREAS, the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer, after an evaluation of all pertinent financial information reasonably available, has certified that the City's financial resources and revenues are and will continue to be adequate to support the proposed expenditures and obligations involved in the City Council Order authorizing the expenditure of the grant funds and the required City matching contribution described herein, subject to the approval of the Mayor, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services, in accordance with Section 2(f) of Chapter 656 of the Acts of 1989, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 468 of the Acts of 2008.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, acting pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 44, sect 53A, that the City Council approves the expenditure by the Department of the grant funds listed below for the purposes of such grant, subject to the approval of the Mayor, and the grant funds received shall be deposited with the City Treasurer and held as a separate account and may be expended for the purposes of the grant without further appropriation:

Automated License Plate Reader Grant \$17,285.00

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL**ZONE CHANGE HEARING****PLOT and SECTION#: Plot #3125 & Section #16****DATE: March 21, 2011**

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, the Planning Board submits the following report on the Zone Change Petition, which was referred to the Board for its recommendation:

PETITIONER: Maria J. & Silver P. Serra**ADDRESS: WS Holly Street****CHANGE REQUESTED: Residence A to Residence B****PETITIONER'S PURPOSE STATEMENT: Construct two-family house****RECOMMENDATION: Recommend****Respectfully Submitted,**

Barbara Footit, Board Clerk

AMENDING SECTION 49 OF THE BUILDING ZONE MAP

SECTION 1. The Zoning Ordinance of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts entitled “An Ordinance for Consolidating and Arranging, Enlarging, Modifying and Amending the Ordinances of the City Restricting Buildings, Structures, and Premises According to Their Use or Construction to Specified Parts of the City”, text enacted, April 21, 1971, as amended, is hereby further amended by changing from the zoning on **Plot #Plot #3125 & Section #16, Section Recommend** of the Building Zone Map as indicated in red ink on the plan thereof hereto attached and marked “**Recommend Building Zone Map of the City of Springfield.**”

Approved as to Form:

Associate City Solicitor

In accordance with Mass. Gen. Laws c. 40A, section 5, the Planning Board held a hearing on March 21, 2011, regarding the above Ordinance amendment.

Kerry Dietz, Chairperson



City of Springfield

SCHEDULED

Meeting: 03/21/11 07:00 PM
Initiator: Lou DiCarlo
Sponsors: Mayor Domenic J. Sarno
DOC ID: 1161

3.9

Order of Location for the Installation and Maintenance of Underground Utilities

By the City Council of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts:
Notice having been given and a public hearing held, as provided by law,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

That the WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY, be and it is hereby granted a location for and permission to <<Insert proper utility template>>

Roosevelt Avenue - Installing Conduits & Manholes

To install about 604 feet of PVC conduits, about 195 feet of fiberglass conduits and 5 new manholes in coordination with the two bridge replacements over the CSX Railroad lines.

Also that permission be and hereby granted said {ResUserUserLookup1} to complete the above request.

I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts held on March 21, 2011

City Clerk

We hereby certify that on March 14, 2011, at 5:00 PM, at Municipal Operations Center, 70 Tapley Street, Springfield, MA 01104 a public hearing was held on the petition of the WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY for permission to complete the above mentioned request.

City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a location order and certificate of hearing with notice adopted by the City Council of the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, on the March 21, 2011, and recorded with the records of location orders of said city. This certified copy is made under the provision of Chapter 166 of the General Laws and any additions thereto or amendments thereof.

Attest:

City Clerk

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

Date: March 15, 2011

TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD:

The Board of Public Works, to which was referred the petition of Western Massachusetts Electric Company dated February 9, 2011, to install 5" PVC and fiberglass conduits and five (5) new manholes in Roosevelt Avenue in coordination with the two bridge replacements over the CSX Railroad lines, with about thirty (30) feet of 16-5" conduits beginning at an existing manhole near the southwesterly gutter at station 102+07 and running in a northeasterly direction to a proposed manhole at station 101+95, then about one hundred ninety-five (195) feet of 24-5" conduits continuing from said manhole in a southeasterly direction to another proposed manhole at station 103+90, then about one hundred eighty-three (183) feet of 16-5" conduits continuing from said manhole in a southeasterly direction and ending at an existing manhole at station 105+73; also with about one hundred thirty-one (131) feet of 16-5" conduits beginning at an existing manhole at station 131+54 and running in a southeasterly direction to a proposed manhole at station 132+85, then about two hundred forty (240) feet of 16-5" conduits continuing from said manhole in a southerly direction to another proposed manhole at station 135+25, then about twenty (20) feet of 16-5" conduits continuing from said manhole in a southwesterly direction and ending at another proposed manhole at station 135+35 built over the existing WMECO duct line, all as substantially shown on sheet 6 and sheet 7 of a plan attached, entitled "SPRINGFIELD ROOSEVELT AVENUE BRIDGES OVER CSX SPUR & CSX MAIN LINE", which is incorporated herein by reference and to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as it may desire for distributing purposes, reports thereon as follows:

By virtue of Chapter 708 of the Acts of 1977 the Board of Public Works held the hearing on the above matter provided for in Section 22 of Chapter 166 of the General Laws. The hearing was held on March 14, 2011 at 5:00 P.M. at the Department of Public Works Municipal Operations Center, 70 Tapley Street, Springfield, Massachusetts 01104, after due notice from the office of the City Clerk. Three (3) members of the Board and one (3) persons interested in the matter were present. Of the latter, three (3) voted in favor of and no-one (0) voted against.

Attachment: WMECO REPORT - roosevelt avenue #6109 & #6110 (1161 : Roosevelt Avenue - Installing Conduits & Manholes)

The Board finds the request necessary in order that the utility company can upgrade the underground facilities to greatly improve the quality and reliability of electric service in the area.

After careful consideration, the Board recommends the petition be granted provided:

That due care for public safety is exercised during construction including but not limited to the use of a police officer(s) for traffic control if necessary.

That said construction would not unnecessarily interfere with the movement of vehicular or pedestrian traffic in the area.

That care be taken during said construction not to damage any underground services.

That the construction site be returned to the same condition as found or better.

Said company shall indemnify and save harmless against all damages, costs and expenses whatsoever to which the City may be subjected in consequence of the acts or neglect of said Company, its agents or servants, or in any manner arising from the rights and privileges granted it by the City.

In addition said company shall, before a public way is disturbed for the laying of its wire or conduit, execute its bond in the penal sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) conditioned for faithful performance of its duties under this permit.

Said company shall comply with the requirements of existing Ordinances and orders and comply with any changes in Ordinances and orders as may hereafter be adopted by the Mayor and Council governing the construction and maintenance of buried cable, conduits and wires.

That any sidewalks that are damaged or removed will be replaced in kind and in accordance with the City of Springfield's Standard Specifications.

That ramps for the handicapped will be provided if and where required by law and in conformance with the Rules and Regulations of the Massachusetts Architectural Barrier Board.

That any curbing that is disturbed during construction will be reset to the established street grade using proper construction procedures.

That the elevation of the proposed manholes will conform to and be compatible with the street grade and shall have sufficient cover so as not to interfere with setting curbing or sidewalk construction.

That the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission be notified before construction begins. All installations of adjacent utilities must be a minimum of 4 feet from the existing water and/or sewer main, edge to edge of pipe.

That all conditions set forth in the respective order are complied with.

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