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**Finance Committee**

March 1, 2017

Dear Councilors:

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 in the Memorial Middle School Library, 615 Rollstone Street, Fitchburg, MA and called to order by Chairman DiNatale at 6:01p.m.

Committee Members Present: DiNatale, Donnelly, Joseph, and Kushmerek.

Other Councilors Present: Beauchemin and Clark.

Others Present: Stephen DiNatale, Mayor (arrived at 6:17 p.m.); A.J. Tourigny, Mayor's Chief of Staff; and Mary Delany, Chief Procurement Officer.

020-17      **ORDER:**      That the City of Fitchburg hereby accepts the grants and gifts totaling approximately \$31,838.25 for the restoration of the City's two Civil War cannons, from those as follows: \$16,838.25 grant from the George R. Wallace Foundation, \$5,000.00 grant from the Douglas and Isabella Crocker Foundation, and the balance of approximately \$10,000.00 from various grant and fundraising efforts.

Discussion: A.J. Tourigny explained that we have been fortunate in our effort to reach out for donations to cover the cost of restoring the Civil War cannons and there is no need for City funding for this project. The City will recognize those donors with a plaque.

(4-0) Be adopted.

021-17      **ORDER:**      That there be and hereby is appropriated \$90,000, same to be Charged against Available Funds and credited to Building Expenses – City Hall Feasibility Study.

Discussion: Mayor DiNatale, A.J. Tourigny, and Mary Delany were present for the discussion. They stated that this is part of an effort to bring City Hall back to Main Street. The feasibility

study will enable the City to get the 'best possible option" based on an updated, independent, and professional study. A lengthy discussion ensued with some Councilors expressing their agreement with the study, while others questioned the need for another study, possibility of utilizing another site, or remaining at Putnam Place.

(4-0) Be held in Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard N. Sarasin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Richard N. Sarasin, Clerk

