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Finance Committee

March 22, 2017

Dear Councilors:

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 in the Memorial Middle School Library, 615 Rollstone Street, Fitchburg, MA and called to order by Chairman DiNatale at 6:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: DiNatale, Donnelly, and Kushmerek

Other Councilors Present: Beauchemin, Clark, and Kaddy

Others Present: Vincent Pusateri, City Solicitor; A.J. Tourigny, Mayor's Chief of Staff

Discussion and action as follows:

035-17 ORDER: That the Mayor be authorized to sell a parcel of land located on 17 Second Street, Assessor's Map 69, Block 56, Lot 0, and to execute a deed of conveyance as outlined in the order.
(PARCEL A)

036-17 ORDER: That the Mayor be authorized to sell a parcel of land located on 17 Second Street, Assessor's Map 69, Block 56, Lot 0, and to execute a deed of conveyance as outlined in the order.
(PARCEL B)

037-17 ORDER: That the Mayor be authorized to sell a parcel of land located on 11 Orange Street, Assessor's Map 32, Block 162, Lot 0, and to execute a deed of conveyance as outlined in the order.

038-17 ORDER: That the Mayor be authorized to sell a parcel of land located on 25 Albee Street, Assessor's Map 95, Block 67, Lot 0, and to execute a deed of conveyance as outlined in the order.

039-17 ORDER: That the Mayor be authorized to sell a parcel of land located on 73 Fairmount Street, Assessor's Map 50, Block 4, Lot 0, and to execute a deed of conveyance as outlined in the order.

Discussion: Chairman DiNatale read the attached communication from Treasurer/Collector Brooks outlining support of Orders 035-17 to 039-17 by the Side Yard Sales Committee and indicating that approval of these orders and completion of the sales will return these properties to the tax roll.

Action: (3-0) be adopted.

040-17 ORDER: That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of \$24,750, same to be charged against Available Funds and credited to Law Expenses – Appraisals.

Discussion: City Solicitor Pusateri spoke in support for appraisal work required to complete the Summer St/North St ROW project (sic).

Action: (3-0) be adopted.

041-17 ORDER: That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of \$40,000, same to be charged against Available Funds and credited to Law Expenses – Damages to Persons and Property.

Discussion: City Solicitor Pusateri stated that these funds are required to satisfy the City's insurance deductibles associated mainly with two large employment claims. The cases were satisfactorily settled or dismissed.

Action: (3-0) be adopted.

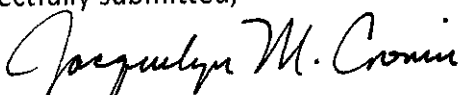
042-17 ORDER: That there be and hereby is confirmed, the appropriation of \$355,900, from the Airport Easements Phase Two and Phase Three for the taking by eminent domain certain avigation easements more clearly identified.

Discussion: City Solicitor Pusateri explained that although this appropriation has previously been approved, in the interests of clarity and keeping records in good order, the order is being presented as it relates to specific addresses. Councilors questioned why the taxpayer would be responsible for the 5% share – and it was clarified that the 5% is appropriated from Airport Receipts.

Action: (3-0) be adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Jacquelyn M. Cronin, Clerk