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A RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE AND AUTHORIZE BORROWING IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,500,000) TO PAY COSTS FOR THE WESTFIELD RIVER INTERCEPT SEWER RELOCATION PROJECT AND THE REED STREET ENBANKMENT PROJECT

(Sponsored by Mayor William P. Sapelli)

WHEREAS, the Westfield River Interceptor sanitary sewer line is a critical part of the Town's sanitary sewer system which handles approximately 30% of the entire Town's sewer line flow; and

WHEREAS, the interceptor sewer line runs along the top of the embankment of the Westfield River from approximately Cooper's Commons to the back of Hood's where it connects to a town pumping station; and

WHEREAS, and in recent years, despite slope stabilization efforts, erosion has continued to encroach on the sewer line causing concern of exposure of the sewer line and potential failure; and

WHEREAS, the town has researched potential solutions and recommends that the sewer line be relocated to run along Main Street and then pass through the Hood's parking lot and connect to the pumping station located in the rear of the property; and

WHEREAS, the projected cost for the project is approximately \$2.5 million

WHEREAS, a stormwater outfall located along the embankment of the Westfield River near the intersection of Main Street and Reed Street is failing which is leading to the erosion of the embankment; and

WHEREAS, the Town has invested in the sewer drainage system in the area the last few years with the elimination of discharge from the Rebecca Doering Middle School roof; and

WHEREAS, the Main Street/Reed Street project cost estimate is approximately \$750,000; and;

WHEREAS, the Town requested assistance in the cost of the projects from Chairman Neal who was successful in securing an earmark in the amount of for the projects; and

WHEREAS, contingency costs are necessary based on the increase in the cost of construction costs; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Town of Agawam to accept the federal earmark and fund the balance to complete the above-referenced projects.

NOW THEREFORE THE AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES TO AUTHORIZE THE FOLLOWING:

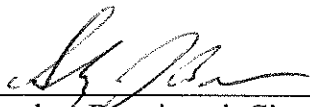
Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) is appropriated for funding the cost of relocating the Westfield River Interceptor sanitary sewer, and further, that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000) to pay costs of this project, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, under M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1) or any other enabling legislation; that the Mayor is authorized to contract for and expend any grants or aid available for the project, provided that the amount of the authorized borrowing shall be reduced by the amount of such aid received prior to the issuance of bonds or notes under this resolution.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2022

PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL

Christopher C. Johnson, President

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY



Stephen Buoniconti, City Solicitor