

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, January 18, 2018

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

18.008 An Order

to Appropriate Community Preservation Act Funds for the Sargeant House Expansion Project at 82 Bridge Street

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, Valley Community Development Corporation submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funding for the Sargeant House Expansion Project at 82 Bridge Street.

WHEREAS, the project will increase and improve the number of affordable rental units at the existing property from 15 single-room-occupancy units to approximately 30 enhanced single-room occupancy units, including units accessible units, units for the homeless and the Department of Mental Health, and will also rehabilitate a historic structure.

WHEREAS, the project was reviewed and approved by the Northampton Historical Commission, and is listed as a contributing property to the pending Pomeroy Terrace National Register Historic District;

WHEREAS, suitable affordable housing, especially single-room-occupancy, is a housing type that is in demand locally and regionally.

WHEREAS, the housing units will be restricted to individuals earning 60% of area median income or below;

WHEREAS, the City has already supported the project through a \$50,000 CPA award and a 40R zoning overlay, and the project will leverage funds from a variety of other sources.

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2017, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that an additional \$300,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$300,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to Valley Community Development Corporation for the Sargeant House Expansion Project for historic rehabilitation and capital repairs to 82 Bridge Street, and expansion of affordable housing. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$75,000 is appropriated from the CPA Historic Reserve (account #2344930-359932) and \$225,000 is appropriated from the CPA Undesignated Reserve (account

#2344930-359930).