



## **Committee on Finance and the Northampton City Council**

*Councilor David A. Murphy, Chair  
Councilor Maureen T. Carney  
Councilor Marianne L. LaBarge  
Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra*

**City Council Chambers, 212 Main Street  
Wallace J. Puchalski Municipal Building  
Northampton, MA**

Meeting Date: April 18, 2019

Note: The Finance Committee Meeting took place during the City Council Meeting as announced. The City Council Meeting began at 7 p.m.

1. **Meeting Called To Order:** At 8:19 p.m. Councilor Murphy called the meeting to order.
2. **Roll Call:** Present were committee members David Murphy (Chair), Maureen Carney and Marianne LaBarge. City Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra was absent. Also present from the City Council were Dennis Bidwell, William H. Dwight, Alisa Klein, Jim Nash and Ryan O'Donnell.
3. **Approval Of Minutes From The Previous Meeting**
  - A. **Minutes of April 4, 2019**

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the minutes of April 4, 2019. Councilor Carney seconded. The motion passed 3:0 by voice vote (Councilor Sciarra absent).
4. **Third Quarter Financial Report**

Finance Director Susan Wright presented financial information for the third quarter of FY2019. For General Fund Revenue, all revenue sources are pretty much tracking as expected with 73% of projected revenue so far collected, she reported. Similarly, General Fund expenditures are generally at expected levels.

For the city's enterprise funds, revenues at the third quarter are all at 75%. Expenditures in enterprise funds are not as meaningful as for the General Fund because these accounts have long-term capital projects at different levels of completion.
5. **Financial Orders**
  - A. **19.044 An Order To Appropriate \$100,000 And Reprogram \$40,000 Free Cash To Leeds Elementary School Parking Lot**

Councilor Murphy read the text of the order.

Councilor LaBarge moved to forward the order with a positive recommendation. Councilor Carney seconded.

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Ms. Wright explained that she made an error in the Free Cash article approved on April 4, 2019. In that order, \$140,000 was appropriated for the JFK Middle School energy management system, and it was supposed to be \$100,000 and she left out \$100,000 in funding for the Leeds Elementary School parking lot. The order is appropriating \$100,000 and reprogramming \$40,000 to be used toward that project. It will clarify and adjust the previous order, she confirmed.

There being no further questions, Councilor Murphy called the motion to a vote, and it passed unanimously 3:0 with one absent (Councilor Sciarra).

6. **New Business**

*-Reserved for topics that the Chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed.*

None.

7. **Adjourn:** There being no other business, Councilor LaBarge moved to adjourn. Councilor Carney seconded. The motion carried on a voice vote of 3 Yes, 0 No, 1 absent (Councilor Sciarra). The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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