

**City of Northampton**

MASSACHUSETTS

*In City Council, December 2, 2021*

*Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz, the Office of Planning and Sustainability, and the Conservation Commission*

**21.372 AN ORDER AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF A PARCEL OF LAND  
ON THE NORTHERLY SIDE OF WESTHAMPTON ROAD**

WHEREAS, the parcel subject to this Order is located on the Northerly side of Westhampton Road and is shown on a plan of land shown as “NO ASSESSORS ID N/F HEIRS OF LUMAN E. BARTLETT AREA = “3.110 AC +/-” on a plan entitled “PLAN OF LAND IN NORTHAMPTON MA MINERAL HILLS GREENWAY HAMPSHIRE REGISTRY PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON,” dated January 13, 2020, and recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 249, Page 82 (“the Parcel”); and

WHEREAS, the Parcel is a landlocked parcel that is contiguous on both its east side and its west side with conservation and recreation land owned by the city and known as the Mineral Hills Greenway; and

WHEREAS, This property is owned by all of the heirs of Luman E. Bartlett, who died in 1925, and no heir is currently managing the property, paying taxes, or otherwise claiming the property; and

WHEREAS, This parcel is an inholding abutting conservation land on two sides and blocking the ability for conservation and public management between two disconnected units of the Mineral Hills Greenway.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,**

The City Council hereby authorizes the acquisition by purchase, gift, eminent domain, or otherwise of the Parcel believed to be owned by the Heirs of Luman E. Bartlett shown as “NO ASSESSORS ID N/F HEIRS OF LUMAN E. BARTLETT AREA = “3.110 AC +/-” on a plan entitled “PLAN OF LAND IN NORTHAMPTON MA MINERAL HILLS GREENWAY HAMPSHIRE REGISTRY PREPARED FOR THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON,” dated January 13, 2020, and recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 249, Page 82, to be held in the care and custody of the Northampton Conservation Commission for the purposes of conservation, recreation, and open space subject to the provisions of Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution.

As damages for the taking, the City Council hereby awards Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00).