

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, October 6, 2022

Upon the recommendation of the Mayor and Department of Public Works

**22.187 An Order to Approve a Gift of Sidewalk Replacement Adjacent to 1 King Street**

*Whereas*, the City is the owner of the King Street layout, Northampton, Massachusetts which includes the sidewalk to the face of the building at 1 King Street; and

*Whereas*, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (Chase Bank) is the owner of property at 1 King Street, Northampton, Massachusetts (Assessors' Map 32A, Parcel 135), with Grantors rights to said parcel contained in a deed recorded in the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Book 14683, Page 148; and

*Whereas*, the main entrance to 1 King Street includes a step up from the existing sidewalk and is therefore not compliant with the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

*Whereas*, Chase Bank plans to renovate the building and the extent of renovation triggers ADA accessibility improvement requirements that include the main building entrance; and

*Whereas*, Chase Bank has offered, at its own expense, to reconstruct the sidewalk in such way as to create an accessible entrance; and

*Whereas*, the Department of Public Works has reviewed and approved the proposed sidewalk replacement plans, has no objection to the proposed accessibility improvements and appreciates the offer of Chase Bank to make such improvements.

**Ordered that**, Northampton City Council, authorizes Chase Bank to contract for and undertake the reconstruction of approximately sixty (60) linear feet of concrete sidewalk, brick pavers and granite curb and reset all appurtenant structures along the King Street frontage of their building at 1 King Street, all in reasonable conformity to the plans reviewed and approved by the Department of Public Works, and accepts the replaced ADA compliant sidewalk as a gift to the City.