

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, January 19, 2023

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee
23.228 An Order to Appropriate CPA Funds for Exterior Structural Rehabilitation of Smith
Charities Building

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Trustees of Smith Charities submitted a CPA application for continued critical exterior repairs to the Smith Charities Building at 51 Main Street;

WHEREAS, the Smith Charities have operated continuously since 1865 from the building, which was designed by noted architect William Fenno Pratt, and is located within the Downtown National Register Historic District;

WHEREAS, the project will continue to address the most critical needs identified in an historic building assessment to ensure that it will remain a unique part of the downtown streetscape in the future, and will leverage state grant funds;

WHEREAS, CPA funds will be utilized exclusively for critical exterior repairs, and in no way contribute to the operating expenses of Smith Charities;

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2022, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$183,315 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$183,315 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Smith Charities for the Smith Charities Emergency Repairs 2 project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$183,315 is appropriated from the CPA Budgeted Reserve (account #2344930-359930).