



# CITY OF CONCORD

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Matthew R. Walsh, Deputy City Manager - Development

DATE: September 26, 2023

SUBJECT: De Minimis Donation: Concord Historical Society Donation  
Crosscurrents of Change: Concord in the 20th Century

### **Recommendation:**

Accept the donation of 54+/- copies of "Crosscurrents of Change: Concord in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century" from the Concord Historical Society. The estimated value of the donation is \$650.

### **Background:**

Crosscurrents of Change: Concord in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century was published by the Concord Historical Society in 2011. The purpose of this important work was to chronical the history of the City from 1900 – 2000. The book provides the next link in the chain of texts which chronical the history of the City, and specifically builds upon the efforts captured in several past works including, but not limited to, James O Lyford's History of Concord, which was published in 1903.

### **Discussion:**

Recently, representatives of the Historical Society contacted City Administration and offered to donate copies of "Crosscurrents of Change: Concord in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century" to members of the Planning Board, Zoning Board, Conservation Commission, Heritage Commission and Design Review Committee. Combined, these bodies have 54 members. The Historical Society desires to make this generous donation in the hope that it will serve to inform the members of the aforementioned entities about City's history, thus aiding them as they carry out their respective civic responsibilities. A copy of the Society's donation offer is attached.