



City of Concord, New Hampshire

Office of the Mayor

Byron O. Champlin

Report to City Council

DATE: September 3, 2025
TO: City Council
FROM: Mayor Byron O. Champlin
SUBJECT: FY 2026 Supplemental Appropriation for 2050 Vision Facilitation

Recommendation

Approve the attached supplemental appropriation request in the amount of \$5,000 for the 2050 Vision efforts.

Background

As the City embarks on the next Master Plan update project, it is important to gather information from citizens about the community and create a shared vision for Concord's future.

As a part of this effort, the City desires to engage with citizens in a 2050 Vision project.

Discussion

As part of the 2050 Vision efforts, funding in the amount of \$5,000 is requested to contract with a facilitator for a process in which everyone is connected, engaged and heard. This facilitation would bring people together to talk, listen and act so that the community works for everyone.

The process is anticipated to include these steps:

- Convene a group of community leaders, elected officials, city staff and other community members to determine the focus in the discussion(s) and then provide feedback on the framing created based on their input.
- Outreach through all City channels, with members of the planning group serving as ambassadors to reach out to specific areas and groups to personally invite participation.
- Host community discussion event(s). Assuming one, but possibly one in-person and one online—same design but reaching different people.
- Facilitator summarizes and shares back key themes to help shape the master planning process.

This process is expected to be completed by the end of January 2026.