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# **CITY OF CONCORD**

New Hampshire's Main Street™ General Services Department

# **REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL**

- FROM: Earle M. Chesley, P.E., General Services Director
- **DATE:** October 19, 2017
- SUBJECT: Authorizing the repurposing of \$25,000 authorized for the Hall Street Wastewater Plant Capital Project for Structural Repairs (FY2016 CIP#104) to the Capital Project for Equipment Process Upgrades (FY2016 CIP#104).

#### **Recommendation**

Approve this report authorizing the repurposing of \$25,000 authorized for the Hall Street Wastewater Plant Capital Project for Structural Repairs (FY2016 CIP#104) to the Capital Project for Equipment Process Upgrades (FY2016 CIP#104).

### **Background**

In 2014, General Services contracted with CMA Engineers to complete a comprehensive facilities evaluation for the existing wastewater plant infrastructure. The evaluation provided a long range comprehensive capital plan for the City's wastewater facilities and is used by the department as a tool in developing the capital improvement plan.

The department subsequently developed a scope of work for design services for two projects:

- 1. The structural repairs of various plant equipment and infrastructure at the Hall Street facility, and
- 2. Construction of various equipment process upgrades at Hall Street.

Upon completion of the scope of services, it was determined there were surplus construction funds in the structural repairs project and a shortfall of funds in the equipment process upgrades project. The shortfall is due to under estimating the cost of replacement equipment and the complexities inherent with working within older building and infrastructure that may have not been readily apparent during the design phase. The savings to complete the structural repairs is due largely to the firm's experience with similar projects throughout the northeast, project timing, and streamlined approach to the project.

## **Discussion**

For the reasons stated above, it is necessary to repurpose \$25,000 construction fees from the structural repairs project and transfer that amount to the construction of the equipment process upgrades.