



CITY OF CONCORD
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Community Development Department

REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Beth Fenstermacher, Director of Special Projects & Strategic Initiatives

DATE: September 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Resolution accepting and appropriating \$678,000 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Clean Up program to support the remediation of hazardous building materials at the Concord Stables building, 111.5 Warren Street

Recommendation:

1. Accept this report;
2. Set a public hearing for November 10, 2025, and approve the attached resolution accepting and appropriating \$678,000 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Clean Up program to support the remediation of hazardous building materials at the Concord Stables building, 111.5 Warren Street.

Background:

A hazardous building materials survey was completed at the historic Concord Stables building in August 2022. The survey confirmed the presence of asbestos containing materials, lead paint, PCB containing paints, and other “universal waste”. The City desires to renovate the building for adaptive reuse, which will initially include the removal or mitigation of these hazardous materials prior to construction. Due to the presence of hazardous materials, the site is classified as a “Brownfield”, and is eligible for clean up funding. In November 2024, an application was submitted to the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for Brownfields Cleanup Grant funding. In May 2025, City Administration was notified that the City was selected to negotiate a cooperative agreement with the USEPA. The agreement was finalized in September 2025.

Discussion:

The source of the grant is Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funds and there is no match or cost share required. Upon acceptance of the funding, City staff will work with the USEPA Program Officer to prepare a Request for Proposals to hire a Qualified Environmental Progressional (QEP). Staff will work with the selected QEP to prepare a work plan and schedule. It is anticipated that clean up work will commence in 2026.