

CITY OF CONCORD

In the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS AND NINETY-SIX CENTS (\$87,353.96) FOR ELECTION OPERATING EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE CONCORD CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AND ACCEPTING THE SUM OF EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS AND NINETY-SIX CENTS (\$87,353.96) IN ELECTIONS ASSISTANCE FUNDING UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT AS ADMINISTERED BY THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THIS PURPOSE

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The City of Concord resolves as follows:

- WHEREAS,** in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Trump on March 27th, 2020; and
- WHEREAS,** the CARES Act provided approximately \$400 million to the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) in new Help America Vote Act (HAVA) emergency funds to allocate to states; and
- WHEREAS,** the State of New Hampshire received approval from the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to reimburse a fixed rate for each absentee ballot mailed and/or processed for both the Primary election in September and the General Election in November in excess of the total number of ballots processed during the Primary and General elections in 2016; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Concord was deemed eligible to receive an allocated portion in CARES Act funding to assist in funding costs associated with processing absentee ballots; and
- WHEREAS,** these funds have been administered by the New Hampshire Secretary of State on behalf of the CARES Act; and
- WHEREAS,** as part of its May 11, 2020 agenda, the City Council was notified of the City Manager's application to receive these funds; and
- WHEREAS,** the City has since been notified of the award; and
- WHEREAS,** the City Clerk's office will use these dollars for eligible election related expense reimbursements; and

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WHEREAS, under the Statewide Standard Cost Rate, a 20% match is incorporated into the rate for this grant; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation is for a purpose not included in the Fiscal Year 2021 adopted budget, therefore Section 37 of the City Charter requires a two-thirds vote of the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Concord that:

- 1. The sum of\$87,353.96
 be and is hereby appropriated as follows:

 General Fund
 Compensation and benefits, office supplies, and postage.....\$87,353.96
- 2. Revenue to meet said appropriation shall be provided from the following source:

 General Fund
 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act\$87,353.96
- 3. Sums as appropriated shall be expended under the direction of the City Manager.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage.