

BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Ways and Means

Brian Worrell, Chair

REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

June 5, 2024

Dear Councilors:

The Committee on Ways and Means was referred the following dockets for consideration:

Docket #0673, Message and order approving an appropriation of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) from the City's Capital Grant Fund to address the impact of transportation network services on municipal roads, bridges and other transportation infrastructure or any other public purpose substantially related to the operation of transportation network services in the city. Such funds will be transferred and credited to the Capital Grant Fund from revenue received from the Commonwealth Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust.

Docket #0674, Message and order approving an appropriation of Twenty-Nine Million Seven Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$29,780,000.00) from the City's Capital Grant Fund in order to provide funding for various transportation and public realm improvements. The funds shall be credited to the Capital Grant Fund from the Parking Meter Fund.

Docket #0675, Message and order authorizing an appropriation Order in the amount of One Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,850,000.00) from Surplus Property Disposition Fund, credited to the Capital Fund for planning, design, and construction, for projects, the Lafayette Garage and Border Resilience projects.

These matters were sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu and were referred to the Committee on April 10, 2024. The Committee has conducted a robust review process, including 31 public hearings on departmental budgets, 6 working sessions, and 2 dedicated public testimony sessions, and has received written testimony from all City departments, as well as written, oral, and recorded testimony from the public.

Summary of Legislation

Docket #0673 is an appropriation in the amount of \$4,000,000 from the Capital Grant Fund of the City for various departments including the Public Works Department and the Transportation Department to address the impact of transportation network services on municipal roads, bridges, and other transportation infrastructure or any other public purpose substantially related to the operation of transportation network services in the city. This includes, but is not limited to, the complete streets program and other programs that support alternative modes of transportation as permitted in Chapter 187 of the Acts of 2016. To fund this appropriation, the Collector/Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to transfer such amount to the Capital Grant Fund from special revenue received from the Commonwealth Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund.

Dockets #0674 is an appropriation in the amount of \$29,780,000 from the Capital Grant Fund of the City for the purpose of funding various transportation and public realm improvements including, but not limited to, facilities for biking and walking. To meet this appropriation, the Collector/Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to transfer this amount from the Parking Meter Fund to the Capital Grant Fund.

Docket #0675 is in appropriation in the amount of \$1,850,000 from the Surplus Property Disposition Fund, credited to the Capital Fund for planning, design, and construction for the Lafayette Garage and Border Street Resilience projects.

Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means, I recommend moving the listed dockets from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At that time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that these matters **OUGHT TO PASS**.

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