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June 22, 2020

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2020
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: Remotely*

AGENDA

- 10291 – An Order Appropriating \$40,000.00 from Sewer Surplus to Sewer, Energy and Utilities Expenses (*Finance Committee*).
- 10292 – An Order Appropriating \$30,444.00 from Sewer Surplus to Public Works Department, New Equipment (*Finance Committee*).
- 10293 – An Order Appropriating \$60,000.00 from Water Surplus to Water, Energy and Utilities Expenses (*Finance Committee*).
- 10294 – An Order Appropriating \$13,500.00 from Free Cash to Elections and Registrations, Operating Expenses (*Finance Committee*).

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ELIZABETH J. KAZINSKAS
Council President

NOTICE: *The listing of Agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.*

**Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Gardner City Council will be conducted via remote participation and broadcast live on Gardner Educational Television, Channel 8, and the City's YouTube Channel. The audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings will be posted on the City's website as soon as possible after the meeting.*

10291

AN ORDER APPROPRIATING FROM SEWER SURPLUS TO SEWER,
ENERGY AND UTILITIES.

ORDERED:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars and
No Cents (\$40,000.00) from Sewer Surplus to Sewer, Energy and Utilities.

CITY OF GARDNER Department of Public Works



Highway
Water
Sewer
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Parks/Playgrounds
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Acting Mayor Elizabeth Kazinskas
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RE: Energy and Utilities Shortfall

June 9, 2020

Dear Acting Mayor Kazinskas:

I am requesting **\$40,000** from available **Sewer Surplus** to cover a budgetary shortfall for the **Energy and Utilities** line item **61440 - 52110**.

As you are aware the City took back the Water Distribution and Sewer Collection Systems in July of 2019 and renegotiated the former contract with Suez at that time. As part of that renegotiated contact, the City took responsibility of all energy and utilities invoices including, National Grid, Unitol, Templeton Light Company, Propane, Comcast, Verizon, and other utilities for the first time in over 20 years. The same structure exists in the new contract signed in 2020 with Veolia to operate the water and sewer facilities where the City will pay for Energy and Utilities.

While preparing the budget over a year ago, I underestimated the cost of Energy and Utilities for the Sewer facilities for FY2020.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Dane E. Arnold, Director
Department of Public Works

PC: Public Service Committee
John Richard, City Auditor
Chris Coughlin, City Engineer



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To: City Council

Re: Money Orders for consideration on June 24, 2020

Listed below are balances in various ledger accounts that pertain to Money Order transfers for your consideration.

These balances are as of June 19, 2020:

		<u>Money</u> <u>Order</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Sewer Enterprise Fund			
61000-31500			\$ 5,520,563
to Sewer for Energy and Utilities			
Expenditures	61440-52110	\$ 40,000	\$ 5,480,563
To PW Dept for New Equipment	14421-55123	\$ 30,444	\$ 5,450,119
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The Snow & Ice account currently has available \$2,663.28
14421-52210

Sincerely

John Richard
City Auditor

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AN ORDER APPROPRIATING FROM SEWER SURPLUS TO PUBLIC
WORKS DEPARTMENT, NEW EQUIPMENT.

ORDERED:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Thirty Thousand Four
Hundred Forty-Four Dollars and No Cents (\$30,444.00) from Sewer Surplus to Public
Works Department, New Equipment.

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RE: Cover Material Transfer

June 9, 2020

Dear Acting Mayor Kazinskas:

I am requesting the **\$30,444** from available **Sewer Surplus** to be transferred into the Department of Public Works **New Equipment** line item **14421 - 55123**.

The Sewer Department requires sand to be used for mixing and cover material at the Sludge Landfill. With the City owning a gravel bank and we now use a limited amount of sand for road treatment during the winter, the City has an abundance that can supply the Sewer Department with sand.

We determined that a fair cost of \$3.00 per yard would be charged. Approximately 10,400 yards were used from the City's gravel bank.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call.

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