

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
State House, Concord, NH
November 8, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 10:00 a.m. with all members present.

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Today's pre-meeting ceremonial items included:

- Councilor Warmington offered a reading and led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Performance -
 - Music by Liz and Dan Faiella
- Proclamation -
 - Margaret Rivard - Youngest swimmer to complete the Triple Crown of open-water swimming

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2023 meeting.

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The Governor and Executive Council, on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, approved the appointment of several persons nominated for Civil Commissions from the October 18, 2023 meeting.

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The Governor placed into nomination the several persons who applied for Civil Commissions.

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RESIGNATIONS

The Governor and Council accepted the following resignations.

Adult Parole Board - RSA 651-A: 3
(Law Enforcement or Corrections Experience)
William J. Francis, Wilton Effective: November 8, 2023

Justice, New Hampshire Circuit Court
Margaret Ann Moran, Manchester Effective: January 22, 2024

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CONFIRMATIONS

The Governor and Council confirmed the following:

Board of Foresters - RSA 310-A: 100
(Industrial Forester)
Richard R. Roy, Concord Effective: November 8, 2023
Reappointment Term: August 22, 2028

Board of Mental Health Practice - RSA 330-A: 3
(Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist)
Kristin Grasso, Windham Effective: November 8, 2023
Reappointment Term: October 31, 2026

Board of Professional Geologists - RSA 310-A:120
Nikki Delude Roy, Northwood Effective: November 8, 2023
Reappointment Term: October 4, 2028

Board of Veterinary Medicine - RSA 332-B:3
Selvi Lampman, Lee Effective: November 8, 2023
Succeeding: Keith T. Smith, East Kingston (Resigned) Term: March 5, 2028

Boxing and Wrestling Commission - RSA 285
 Arthur J. Nolin, Pembroke
 Reappointment
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: July 15, 2024

Director, Division of Learner Support, Department of Education - RSA 21-N:3
 Melissa A. White, Hopkinton
 Reappointment
 Salary: LG GG, \$ 116,031
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: December 11, 2027

Director, Division of Marketing, Merchandising, and Warehousing, State Liquor Commission - RSA 176:8
 Mark Roy, Laconia
 Succeeding: Lorrie L. Piper, Weare
 Salary: LG, GG, \$110,282
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: October 15, 2027

Juvenile Parole Board - RSA 170-H:3
 Michael J. O'Connor, Swanzey
 Reappointment
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: July 1, 2028

Office of the Consumer Advocate, Consumer Advocate - RSA 363:28, I
 Donald M. Kreis, Concord
 Reappointment
 Salary: LG FF, \$112,770
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: November 5, 2027

Penalty Appeal Board - RSA 273:11-b
 (Labor)
 Richard J. Laughton Jr., Durham
 Reappointment
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: January 5, 2025

Penalty Appeal Board - RSA 273:11-b
 (Attorney Chairman)
 Richard A. Mitchell, Dunbarton
 Vacancy
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: November 8, 2026

Penalty Appeal Board - RSA 273:11-b
 (Management)
 Constance J. Morneau, Wolfeboro
 Succeeding: Gayle E. Troy, Dunbarton
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: April 11, 2026

Rivers Management Advisory Committee - RSA 483:8
 (Historic/Archaeological)
 Brooke Kenline-Nyman, Weare
 Succeeding: Victoria Bunker, New Durham
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: June 15, 2025

Rivers Management Advisory Committee - RSA 483:8
 (Conservation Interest)
 Michele L. Tremblay, Penacook
 Reappointment
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: December 28, 2026

State Historical Resources Council - RSA 227-C
 (Cultural Heritage Law)
 Ricardo A. St. Hilaire, Lebanon
 Succeeding: Nancy C. Dutton, Wilmot
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: December 10, 2027

State Historical Resources Council - RSA 227-C
 (Decorative Arts and Artifacts)
 Hollis E. Brodrick, Portsmouth
 Succeeding: Richard W. Pease, Bedford
 Effective: November 8, 2023
 Term: December 10, 2027

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NOMINATIONS

The following nominations were submitted:

<u>Adult Parole Board</u> - RSA 651-A: 3 (Law Enforcement or Corrections Experience) Tricia Thompson, Salisbury Succeeding: William J. Francis, Wilton (Resigned)	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: September 29, 2027
<u>Associate Justice, New Hampshire Supreme Court</u> - RSA 490:1 Melissa B. Countway, Alton	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: Until 70 years of age
<u>Board of Acupuncture Licensing</u> - RSA 328-G:3 (Acupuncturist) Jody L. Bell, Manchester Reappointment	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: September 8, 2026
<u>Board of Architects</u> - RSA 310-A: 29 Sonya L. Misiaszek, Laconia Reappointment	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: September 9, 2028
<u>Board of Medicine</u> - RSA 329 (Public Member) Linda M. Tatarczuch, Durham Reappointment	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: February 7, 2027
<u>Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing</u> -RSA 326-I:3 (Recommended by N.H. Association for the Deaf) Amber G. Epison, Manchester Succeeding: Jotham Otterson, Manchester	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: October 10, 2026
<u>Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing</u> -RSA 326-I:3 (Recommended by N.H. Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf) Patricia M. Stuart, Chester Vacancy	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: October 10, 2024
<u>Board of Nursing</u> - RSA 326-B (LPN) Huyen L. Fowler, Hampstead Vacancy	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: May 10, 2024
<u>Board of Nursing</u> - RSA 326-B (LNA) Heather M. Pearl, Loudon Vacancy	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: 3 Years from Confirmation
<u>Business Finance Authority, Board of Directors</u> - RSA 162-A:4 Dick Anagnost, Bedford Reappointment	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: November 3, 2026
<u>Community College System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees</u> - RSA 188:F (NH Resident Student Enrolled in a Credit Program) Nicholas Curro, Londonderry Vacancy	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: May 31, 2024
<u>Commissioner, Department of Transportation</u> - RSA 21-L William J. Cass, Laconia Reappointment Salary: LG LL \$156,500	Effective: Upon Confirmation Term: December 3, 2027

Deputy Director, Division of Administration, Department of Safety - RSA 21-P

Melanie L. Carraher, Boscawen
Succeeding: Edyta J. Domian, Henniker (resigned)
Salary: LG GG \$110,282

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: September 15, 2025

Justice, New Hampshire Superior Court - RSA 491-1

James W. Kennedy, Concord

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: Until 70 years of age

Manufactured Housing Installation Standards Board - RSA 205-D:2

(Owner/Operator more than 100 lots)

Eric Kaufman, Sudbury, MA
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: October 3, 2026

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CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#1 **MOP 150, I, B (1): Expenditure Approvals**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Commissioner

- A. Authorized to enter Krystle Mallory into an educational tuition agreement with Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester, NH, to participate in Biostatistics, from December 4, 2023 to February 26, 2024 and to pay costs in the amount of \$1,433.25. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

#2 **MOP 150, I, B (2): Approval of Acceptances**

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

- A. Authorized to accept a donation of \$5,725 donation from Whitetails Unlimited Inc, Sturgeon Bay, WI, to be utilized by the Inland Fisheries Division. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024.

NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS HOME

- B. Authorized to accept and expend monies totaling \$34,818.25 received during the period of July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023, as a result of fundraising drives from various organizations and from personal contributions. The monies will be placed in the Veterans Home Benefit Fund.

#3 **MOP 150, I, B (3): Reports and Findings**

NEW HAMPSHIRE HEALTH AND EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY

- A. Authorized to accept and place on file the biennial report and financial statements for the fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

- B. Authorized to accept and place on file the annual report for fiscal year 2023.

#4 **MOP 150, I, B (4): Nominations, Confirmations and Appointments**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- A. Authorized the nomination of Captain Jordan B. Gauvin, Stratham, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Air National Guard.

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- B. Authorized the nomination of Major Jeffrey A. Morgenthau, Louisville, KY, for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Air National Guard.

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- C. Authorized the nomination of Captain Robert J. Mottola, Weare, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, in the NH Army National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Army National Guard.

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- D. Authorized the nomination of Captain David S. Stern, Lee, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Air National Guard.

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- E. Authorized the nomination of Major Christopher J. Williams, Plaistow, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Air National Guard.

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- F. Authorized the confirmation of Major Brett A. Bailey, Trenton, IL, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard.

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- G. Authorized the confirmation of Captain Joel C. Loranger, Newington, NH, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard.

#5 **MOP 150, I, B (5): Other Items**

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

- A. Authorized to amend an existing contract with 6893449 Cananda Inc., Montreal, Quebec (originally approved by G&C on 2/8/23, Item #71), to provide consulting and expert witness litigation support by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to June 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funding is being requested. **100% Other Funds (Special Assessment)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

- B. Authorized to amend a grant to DCI, Inc., Lisbon, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/16/21, Item #84), by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to June 30, 2024, due to supply chain issues, DCI, Inc., was forced to change their boiler supplier, which resulted in movement to an alternate location on-site and requiring additional site preparation. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funding is being requested. **100% Other Funds (Renewable Energy Fund)**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

- C. Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Trails to amend a Recreational Trails Program grant agreement with the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/14/23, Item #115), by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to August 31, 2024, with no change to the price limitation. Due to exceptional rain levels through the Summer 2023, the selected contractor for this project has been severely delayed in finishing their contracted summer workload. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- D. Authorized to amend a Water Infrastructure Improvement for the Nation Act grant to South Weare Water Association, Weare, NH (originally approved by G&C on 1/22/21, Item #111A), by extending the completion date from December 1, 2023 to September 1, 2024, for water system improvements. Effective upon G&C approval. This is a no cost time extension. **55% Federal Funds, 45% Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund**

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- E. Authorized the Bureau of Student Wellness and the Office of Social Wellness to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing cooperative project agreement with Keene State College, Keene, NH (originally approved by G&C on 1/22/20, Item #47), by reducing the not to exceed amount by \$518.98 from \$1,350,000 to \$1,349,481.02 to change the scope of work and amend the project end date from September 29, 2025 to September 29, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

- F. Authorized to enter into an amendment to an existing contract with Mojo Corp d/b/a GFS Building Maintenance, Auburn, NH (originally approved by G&C on 7/19/23, Item #5B), for janitorial cleaning services by adding services with no change to the price limitation of \$3,275,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024.

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

- G. Councilor Wheeler requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Councilor Wheeler stated that there is a typo in the interior explanation that states that the Fitch Farm agreement has not been executed yet however the Governor and Council approved that agreement at the June 14, 2023 meeting. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney authorized to enter into a wildlife habitat improvement agreement with Sunny Prairie Farm, LLC, Milford, NH for the management of 13 acres of agricultural land on the Milford Fish Hatchery in the Town of Milford. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2023.

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

- H. Authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Department of the Interior-Fish and Wildlife Service, Connecticut River Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department, and National Marine Fisheries Service for the purpose of coordinating the management of migratory fisheries. Effective upon G&C approval through October 28, 2028. There is no funding involved.

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REGULAR AGENDA

NEW HAMPSHIRE BUSINESS FINANCE AUTHORITY

#6 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens, and further on a roll call vote as follows: Councilor Kenney – yes, Councilor Warmington – yes, Councilor Stevens – yes, Councilor Gatsas – yes, and Councilor Wheeler - **no**, authorized a public hearing beginning at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to RSA 162-I:9 with regard to the recommendation of the Business Finance Authority of the State of New Hampshire (the "Authority") authorized the issuance of up to \$33,100,000 of bonds and the award a guarantee of the State of New Hampshire of the payment of a bond in the principal amount of up to \$31,100,000 to be purchased by Enterprise Bank and Trust Company for the benefit of Sig Sauer Real Estate Inc. (with any successors, assigns or affiliates thereof, "Sig Sauer") for additional improvements and renovations to an existing 89,000 square foot building and the construction of a 27,700 square foot extension thereto, including site work and related improvements, located at 7 Amarosa Drive, and certain other site work ancillary thereto at adjacent land owned by Sig Sauer, or an affiliate thereof, including landscaping, drainage, parking and a reconfigured driveway connecting to a future traffic circle to be located on Milton Road, all of which will be used for manufacturing, office space and cafeteria, including related improvements and site work, located in the City of Rochester, New Hampshire.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Commissioner

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#7 Authorized to transfer funds in the amount of \$72,000 and create a new expenditure class code to fund the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Health and Human Services and New Hampshire Employment Security. (2) Further authorized the funds to be allocated as detailed in the letter dated September 26, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **38% Federal Funds, 62% General Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#8 Authorized to transfer general funds in the amount of \$15,310,992 between various class lines, decrease Federal revenues in the amount of \$2,124,905, decrease related Other revenues in the amount of \$929 and create new expenditure class codes in the Department, to address shortfalls with anticipated surpluses with the Department's Authorized budget. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#9 Authorized to make a **retroactive** one-time payment from State Fiscal Year 2024 funds to Kayla Reynolds, Registered Nurse, at New Hampshire Hospital in the amount of \$4,825.37, to compensate for wages that were not paid for in State Fiscal Year 2022 and 2023. Effective upon G&C approval. **32% General Funds, 68% Agency Income (Provider Fees)**

#10 Authorized the determination made by the Commissioner that on September 19, 2023, a Mental Health Worker II, at the New Hampshire Hospital sustained an injury in the line of duty due to a hostile or overt act, or an act caused by another during the performance of duties which are considered dangerous in nature. Effective upon G&C approval.

#11 Authorized the determination made by the Commissioner that on September 19, 2023, a Registered Nurse II, at the New Hampshire Hospital sustained an injury in the line of duty due to a hostile or overt act, or an act caused by another during the performance of duties which are considered dangerous in nature. Effective upon G&C approval.

Division of Finance and Procurement

#12 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington authorized to accept and expend additional enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage funds in the amount of \$12,354,984 to add applicable percentage points of federal estimated revenue. (2) Further authorized the funds to be allocated as detailed in the letter dated September 27, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

Division for Behavioral Health

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#13 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with the Office of Public Guardian, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/24/20, Item #18), for the provision of public guardianship services, by increasing the price limitation by \$188,702 from \$13,167,923 to \$13,356,625 with no change to the completion date of June 30, 2024. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2023, upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#14 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Weeks Medical Center, Lancaster, NH, in the amount of \$663,607 to continue access to Substance Use Disorder treatment and recovery support services in the Berlin, NH area. Effective **retroactive** to September 29, 2023, upon G&C approval through September 29, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#15 Authorized, on behalf of the Opioid Abatement Advisory Commission, to award grant agreements with the Grantees as detailed in the letter dated September 28, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$9,408,762 to reimburse Grantees through the Opioid Abatement Trust Fund for eligible costs. Effective upon G&C approval through the date of payment in full. **100% Other Funds (Opioid Abatement Trust Fund)**

#16 Authorized to enter into **sole source** amendments to existing contracts with the Contractors as detailed in the letter dated October 9, 2023, for the continued provision of the State Grant in Aid Home Assistance program, by increasing the total price limitation by \$2,937,555 from \$19,604,235 to \$22,541,790 with no change to the contract completion dates of March 31, 2024. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2023, upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#17 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendments to existing contracts with the eight Contractors as detailed in the letter dated October 24, 2023, to continue the statewide network of Doorways for access to Substance Use Disorder treatment and recovery support services, by increasing the total price limitation by \$9,789,398 from \$48,037,197 to \$57,826,595 and by extending the completion dates from September 29, 2023 to September 29, 2024. Effective **retroactive** to September 29, 2023, upon G&C approval. **98.33% Federal Funds, 1.67% Other Funds (Governor's Commission)**

Division of Medicaid Services

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#18 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing agreement with Magellan Medicaid Administration, LLC, Eagan, MN (originally approved by G&C on 6/9/10, Item #82), to continue management of the Pharmacy Benefits Management system, by increasing the price limitation by \$11,689,136 from \$38,002,959 to \$49,692,095 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to June 30, 2027. Effective January 1, 2024, upon G&C approval. **61% Federal Funds, 22% General Funds, 17% Other Funds (as defined in RSA 126-AA:3,I and Pharmaceutical Rebates)**

#18A Authorized to enter into **retroactive** amendments to existing contracts with AmeriHealth Caritas New Hampshire Inc., Philadelphia, PA; Boston Medical Center Health Plan Inc., Charlestown, MA; and Granite State Health Plan Inc., Bedford NH (originally approved by G&C on 3/27/19, Tabled Late Item A), to provide health care services to eligible and enrolled Medicaid participants through New Hampshire's Medicaid managed care program known as New Hampshire Medicaid Care Management, by increasing the total price limitation by \$137,806,238 from \$5,928,058,454 to \$6,065,864,692 (for the period since contract inception September 2019), with no change to the completion date of August 31, 2024. Effective **retroactively** to July 1, 2023, upon G&C approval. **The Federal Fund share comprises 71.9% of the price limitation increase, the other non-federal fund share is 12.3%, and the General Fund is 15.8% from the previous Amendment.**

Division of Long Term Supports and Services

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#19 Authorized to accept and expend funds from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living, entitled Adult Protective Services Formula Grants to States, in the amount of \$106,818. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated October 2, 2023. (3) Further authorized to establish a part-time temporary Program Specialist IV to function as an Adult Protective Services Quality Specialist. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#20 Authorized to accept and expend funds from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, entitled Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration, in the amount of \$939,252. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#21 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Area Agency of Greater Nashua, Inc. d/b/a Gateways Community Services, Nashua, NH, in the amount of \$500,000, to increase housing capacity by four beds for individuals who are eligible for one of New Hampshire's Home and Community Based 1915c Waivers. Effective upon G&C approval, to remain in effect for no less than eight years from the date the housing unit is placed in service. **100% Federal Funds**

Division of Children, Youth & Families

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#22 Authorized to accept and expend the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families' Promoting Safe and Stable Families – Family First Transition Act Grant award in the amount of \$181,057, to provide continued support to community-based programs. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated October 26, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#23 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/10/15, Item #11), to add funding necessary to support a statewide program to improve responses and support to victims of domestic violence and their children, by increasing the price limitation by \$2,464,088 from \$11,513,325 to \$13,977,413 with no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2025. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2023, upon G&C approval. **75.65% Federal Funds, 24.35% General Funds**

#23A Authorized to accept and expend the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families' John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act Grant award, in the amount of \$35,000, for the purpose of providing support to the expanding array of services. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated October 27, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

Division of Public Health Services

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#24 Authorized to amend a Fiscal Committee Item (originally approved by G&C on 8/18/21, Item #19), by transferring funds in the amount of \$263,000 between class lines to better align appropriation with the current grant work plan, with no change to the end date of May 31, 2024. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated September 25, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#25 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to accept and expend funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to fund the Immunization Program under the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021, which contained the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplement Appropriations Act 2021, in the amount of \$1,311,710. (2) Further authorized to amend a Fiscal Committee Item (originally approved by G&C on 4/20/22, Item #26), by transferring funds in the amount of \$375,000 between class lines, in order to align with the approved federal budget. (3) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated September 11, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#26 Authorized to accept and expend additional federal funds from the Health Resources and Services Administration to fund expansion of the Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Program in the amount of \$150,228. (2) Further authorized the funds to be allocated as detailed in the letter dated October 24, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#27 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services to modernize the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children Farmers' Market Nutrition Program in the amount of \$97,855. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated October 17, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds.**

#28 Authorized to amend an existing Memorandum of Agreement with Department of Safety (DOS), Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 9/15/21, Item #9G), to add funding and expand the scope to services for specialty services programs administered by the DOS Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, by increasing the price limitation by \$207,765 from \$600,000 to \$807,765 with no change to the contract completion date of May 31, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon approval of Item #24 above.**

Office of Health Equity

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#29 Authorized to accept and expend additional Federal funds in the amount of \$642,533 from the Administration for Children & Families, Office of Refugee Resettlement to fund programs that support specific Ukrainian populations and are available through the goal of refugee family self-sufficiency. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated September 27, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#30 Authorized to accept and expend Federal funds in the amount of \$649,347 from the Administrative for Children & Families, Office of Refugee Resettlement to provide cash and medical assistance to Afghan and Ukrainian populations. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated September 26, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#31 Authorized to accept and expend additional Federal funds in the amount of \$1,327,681 from the Administration for Children & Families, Office of Refugee Resettlement to fund programs that support the goal of refugee family self-sufficiency. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated September 27, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

Glenclyff Home

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#32 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Archways, Tilton, NH, in the amount of \$4,200 for the provision of onsite Substance Use Disorder management services at Glenclyff Home. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025, with the option to renew for up to four additional years. **31.49% General Funds, 68.51% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#33 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with ALL4 LLC, Kimberton, PA (originally approved by G&C on 5/31/23, Item #35), for assistance in attaining additional permits for generator installation at Glenclyff Home, by increasing the price limitation by \$32,600 from \$16,300 to \$48,900 and extending the contract completion date from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

New Hampshire Hospital

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#34 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Baker Newman & Noyes P.A., LLC, Portland, ME (originally approved by G&C on 6/10/20, Item #19), to continue providing Medicare cost reporting consulting services, by increasing the price limitation by \$76,000 from \$115,800 to \$191,800 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2026. Effective July 1, 2024, upon G&C approval. **69% General Funds, 31% Other Funds (Provider Fees/Intra-Agency Revenue)**

#35 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Riverbend Community Mental Health, Inc., Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 2/5/20, Item #13), to continue scheduling and performing electroconvulsive therapy treatments for patients of New Hampshire Hospital referred by the Department, by increasing the price limitation by \$60,000 from \$120,000 to \$180,000 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2025. Effective January 1, 2024, upon G&C approval. **34% General Funds, 66% Other Funds (Interagency and Agency Income)**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#36 Authorized the Division of Finance to transfer funds in the amount of \$40,000 and create a new expenditure class code to continue meeting the State's transportation demands. (2) Further authorized the funds to be allocated as detailed in the letter dated October 19, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Highway Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#37 Authorized the Division of Policy and Administration to transfer \$1,500,768 between various accounting units and classes for training programs. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#38 Authorized the Executive Office to **retroactively** pay the National Association of State Aviation Officials, Washington, DC in the amount of \$9,670.03 for membership dues for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#39 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Maintenance to hold an organized meeting on November 14-16, 2023, at the Transportation Department Headquarters, Concord, NH, for a total conference cost not to exceed \$6,000 for the purpose of training DOT employees. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Highway Funds**

#40 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract amendment with RJ Olszak Construction, Inc. d/b/a All-Ways Wrecking, Bridgewater, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/28/23, Item #85), by increasing the contract amount by \$200,000 from \$907,500 to \$1,107,500 for expansion and repurposing of the existing paved area, formerly used by the DMV for commercial vehicle inspection, to accommodate CDL testing at the Southbound Rest Area/Weight Station north of Exit 18 on I-89. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds**

#41 Authorized the Division of Operations and the United States Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement, in the amount of \$29,700.33, to provide for integrated wildlife damage management services to the NHDOT. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026.

#42 Authorized the Bureau of Materials and Research to enter into an agreement with WSP USA, Inc., Manchester, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000, for On-Call Geotechnical Engineering Services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2027.

#43 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to pay property owners, tenants, and/or claimants \$197,648.16 as documented in the Contemplated Awards list, for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from October 7, 2023 through October 13, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval.

#44 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to amend a previously approved item (originally approved by G&C on 4/17/19, Item #44A), for the addition of Martin Doctor d/b/a Fulcrum Appraisal Service, Manchester, NH to prepare appraisals for property needed for transportation projects. Effective upon G&C approval through April 17, 2024. No new funding is required.

#45 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to **retroactively** amend the contract with Dubois & King, Inc., Bedford, NH (originally approved by G&C on 10/7/20, Item #19), for the detailed inspection, preliminary design, public involvement process, associated environmental and cultural services for the rehabilitation of the bridge carrying NH Route 18 over the Connecticut River between Littleton, NH and Waterford, VT, by extending the completion date from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. Time extension only, no additional funding.

#46 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with GM2 Associates, Inc., Concord, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for bridge design services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028.

#47 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with McFarland-Johnson, Inc., Concord, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for bridge design services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028.

#48 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, Inc., Manchester, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for bridge design services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028.

#49 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., Bedford, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for bridge design services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028.

#50 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to enter into an agreement with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., Bedford, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for on-call Highway Safety Improvement Program. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2026.

#51 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Modern Protective Coatings, Inc., Hudson, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$850,125 for painting of three steel girder bridges on I-89 north and south bound on I-89 in Hopkinton and Warner, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$42,506.25 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through September 6, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#52 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Evroks Corporation, Northfield, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$1,328,109.90 for bridge preservation of three bridges in Marlborough, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$132,810.99 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through October 25, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#53 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Continental Paving, Inc., Londonderry, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$4,493,807.80 for lane repurposing on NH Rt. 101. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$224,690.39 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through November 1, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#54 Authorized the Bureau of Aeronautics to **retroactively** provide funding in the amount of \$540,433.50, to the Nashua Airport Authority to reconstruct, mark, light, sign and drain an aircraft parking apron (Foxtrot Apron) at Boire Field, Nashua, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through August 2, 2027. **95% Federal Funds, 5% State Funds**

#55 Authorized the Bureau of Aeronautics to provide funding in the amount of \$174,000, to the Nashua Airport Authority to conduct an Air Traffic Control Tower Siting/Relocation/Replacement Study at Boire Field, Nashua, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through August 24, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#56 NOT USED

#57 Authorized the Bureau of Aeronautics to **retroactively** award a grant to the Town of Haverhill, NH, in the amount of \$22,000, for the American Rescue Plan Act funding to offset a decline in revenues arising from diminished airport operations as a result of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency for the Dean Memorial Airport, Haverhill, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through January 25, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#58 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to pay an amount not to exceed \$533,633 to Manchester Transit Authority, Manchester, NH, to provide a portion of the non-federal funds required to match Federal Transit Administration operating. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% State General Funds**

#59 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to pay an amount not to exceed \$83,082 to VNA at HCS, Inc., Keene, NH, to provide a portion of the non-federal funds required to match Federal Transit Administration operating. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% State General Funds**

#60 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to pay an amount not to exceed \$332,330 to Advance Transit, Inc., Wilder, VT, to provide a portion of the non-federal funds required to match Federal Transit Administration operating. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% State General Funds**

#61 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to pay an amount not to exceed \$166,164 to Tri-County Community Action Program, Inc., Berlin, NH, to provide a portion of the non-federal funds required to match Federal Transit Administration operating. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% State General Funds**

#62 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to pay an amount not to exceed \$332,330 to Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc., Concord, NH, to provide a portion of the non-federal funds required to match Federal Transit Administration operating. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% State General Funds**

#63 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to pay an amount not to exceed \$83,082 to Southern Community Services, Inc., Keene, NH, to provide a portion of the non-federal funds required to match Federal Transit Administration operating. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% State General Funds**

#64 Authorized to accept and place on file the Bureau of Right-of-Way's Contemplated awards list for amounts less than \$5,000 for a total of \$34,337.70 for the period extending from July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023. These awards were paid from various Transportation Funds.

#64A Authorized the Office of Access, Opportunity and Compliance to enter into a contract with Maverick Business Solutions, LLC, Titusville, FL, based on a single bid, for a total fee of \$46,550, to provide business development training and resources to Disadvantaged Business Enterprise firms. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#64B Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to enter into an Agreement with WSP USA, Inc., Merrimack, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, for on-call public outreach, project management and engineering services for the Bow-Concord project currently in the Preliminary Design phase. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2028.

*[*Upon request by Councilor Gatsas, click here to view the status update from the Bureau of Right of Way, for the Derry-Londonderry 13065, Exit 4A project.*](#)*

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

#65 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Warmington authorized to amend a grant award to Compass Classical Academy Charter School (originally approved by G&C on 9/7/22, Item #43), as detailed in the letter dated August 24, 2023, by increasing the award amount by \$73,031.55 from \$18,786.55 to \$91,818.10 for school security improvements projects. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

HOUSING APPEALS BOARD

#66 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Gatsas authorized a salary increment for Board Member Elizabeth R. Fischer, from a current salary of \$80,824 to a new salary of \$85,514. Effective October 23, 2023, upon G&C approval.

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#67 Authorized to **retroactively** renew the membership with the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy, Alexandria, VA, in the amount of \$2,500. Effective upon G&C approval for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. **100% Agency Funds**

#68 Authorized to **retroactively** renew the membership with the International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium, Harrisburg, PA, in the amount of \$2,980. Effective upon G&C approval for the period September 1, 2023 through October 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Agency Funds**

#69 Authorized a renewal option to an existing contract with Tracey L. Collins, DNP, RN, PMP, CPHQ, NEA, Rochester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 4/6/22, Item #34), to continue providing Nurse Consultant Services, statewide for the OPLC, which includes the option to extend services for two additional one-year periods, by increasing the price limitation by \$13,200 from \$26,400 to \$39,600 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Agency Funds**

#70 Authorized a renewal option to an existing contract with Jessica Reeves, MSN, MPH, Keene, NH (originally approved by G&C on 4/6/22, Item #34), to continue providing Nurse Consultant Services, statewide for the OPLC, which includes the option to extend services for two additional one-year periods, by increasing the price limitation by \$17,100 from \$27,000 to \$44,100 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Agency Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOOD

#71 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Gatsas authorized the State Conservation Committee to transfer funds in and among classes within an accounting unit in the amount of \$200,000, to cover grantee awards approved by the State Conservation Committee. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Other Funds – Soil Conservation. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

#72 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Wheeler authorized to place Keith Nyhan at grade HH fifth step for the position of Deputy Commissioner, earning \$120,120 annually. Effective upon the first day of the first pay period following G&C approval through a term ending September 1, 2025. **100% Agency Income**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#73 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with CODEX d/b/a Guardian RFID, Maple Grove, MN, in the amount of \$1,635,461.08, for the provision of implementation mobile devices and RFID system program. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2026, with the option to renew for one additional period of up to six years. **100% Federal Funds**

#74 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with ServiceMaster Disaster Associates, Inc., Stoneham, MA, in the amount of \$42,630, for the provision of professional deep cleaning of kitchen area. Effective **retroactive** to September 15, 2023, upon G&C approval through January 31, 2024. **100% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#75 Authorized to accept and expend Federal Funds in the amount of \$568,000 from the US Department of Energy, Inflation Reduction Act, Home Efficiency Rebates Program and Home Electrification Program. (2) Further authorized the Division of Policy and Programs to create two temporary full-time Program Specialist III to manage these programs. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#76 Authorized to accept and expend Federal Funds in the amount of \$6,619,797 from the US Department of Energy, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid. (2) Further authorized the Division of Policy and Programs to create one temporary full-time Program Specialist III to manage this program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on October 19, 2023.**

#77 Authorized an annual salary increase for Paul Kasper, in the amount of \$5,720, from a current salary of \$116,031 to a new salary of \$121,751. Effective December 22, 2023, upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds**

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#78 Authorized the transfer of \$35,000 from the New Hampshire Fish and Game Fund Reserve to the Fish and Game FY 2024 Operating Budget to cover the contractual costs of having the water tested at six fish hatcheries. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#79 Authorized the transfer of \$25,000 of unexpected funds from Excess Registration Fees to the Fish and Game OHRV Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget to pay for the additional development cost of migrating OHRV initial registrations to an on-line platform. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#80 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, in the amount of \$66,600 to provide partial funding to raise approximately 50,000 landlocked Atlantic salmon at Nashua National Fish Hatchery. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Fish and Game Funds**

#81 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** grant agreement with the Wildlife Management Institute, Cabot, VT, for an amount not to exceed \$112,357 to administer and implement the Regional Conservation Need program. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2028. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Warmington acted as follows:

#82 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to **retroactively** amend a Fiscal Committee Item (originally approved by G&C on 3/22/23, Item #54), by extending the end date from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2025 for grant funds from the United States Department of Agriculture, United States Forest Service, State Fire Assistance Bipartisan Infrastructure Law grant. (2) Further authorized to accept and expend State Fire Assistance, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Grant funds in the amount of \$106,066 from the United States Department of Agriculture, United States Forest Service to be used for funding equipment and a part time position in support of the DNCR wildland fire program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#83 Authorized to amend American Rescue Plan State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (originally approved by G&C on 6/16/21, Item #93), by transferring \$20,313 in an among classes within an accounting unit for the purpose of infrastructure investments to the State of New Hampshire's Parks and Recreation and State Land Reservation system. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#84 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation Community Recreation Bureau to transfer funds in the amount of \$172,034 and establish nine new appropriation classes in order to fund administrative support efforts as Authorized by the grant. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#85 Authorized an annual salary increase for Mr. Brian Wilson, Director of Parks and Recreation, in the amount of \$5,749, from a current salary of \$110,282 to a new salary of \$116,031. Effective upon the first day of the first pay period following G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#86 Authorized the New Hampshire State Library **retroactive** renewal of a membership with the Council of State Libraries in the Northeast, Atlanta, GA, in the amount of \$3,000. Effective upon G&C approval for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. **25% General Funds, 75% Federal Funds**

#87 Authorized the Division of Arts to award a Public Value Partnership grant to Arts in Reach: Encouraging Growth through the Arts, Portsmouth, NH, in the amount of \$15,000 to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse art programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#88 Authorized the Division of Arts to award a Public Value Partnership grant to The Children's Museum of NH, Dover, NH, in the amount of \$12,250 to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse art programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#89 Authorized the Division of Arts to award a Public Value Partnership grant to Claremont Opera House, Claremont, NH, in the amount of \$10,000 to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse art programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#90 Authorized the Division of Arts to award a Public Value Partnership grant to Franklin Opera House, Inc., Franklin, NH, in the amount of \$10,500 to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse art programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#91 Authorized the Division of Arts to award a Public Value Partnership grant to Weathervane Theatre Players, Inc., Whitefield, NH, in the amount of \$10,000 to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse art programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#92 Authorized to **retroactively** pay the 2024 membership dues to The Environmental Council of the States, Washington, DC, in the amount of \$13,000 for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

- #93 Authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$1,087,404 for lead removal in drinking water at NH schools and child care facilities. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **36% Drinking Water/Groundwater Trust Fund, 64% Federal Funds**
- #94 Authorized to award a **sole source** grant to the Rockingham Planning Commission, Exeter, NH, in the amount of \$85,500 to complete a project to protect public drinking water supplies. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**
- #95 Authorized to award a Strategic Planning grant to the Contoocook Village Precinct, totaling \$50,000 to improve public water system sustainability. Effective upon G&C approval through September 15, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**
- #96 Authorized to award a Strategic Planning grant to the Town of Meredith, NH, totaling \$50,000 to improve public water system sustainability. Effective upon G&C approval through November 15, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**
- #97 Authorized to award a Strategic Planning grant to the Warner Village Water District, totaling \$44,500 to improve public water system sustainability. Effective upon G&C approval through September 15, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**
- #98 Authorized to award a grant to the Town of Whitefield, NH in the amount not to exceed \$100,000 for wastewater and drinking water utility cybersecurity improvements. Effective upon G&C approval through July 1, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**
- #99 Authorized to award a grant to the Evans Cooperative, Inc., Epping, NH, in the amount not to exceed \$750,000 for water system improvements. Effective upon G&C approval through June 1, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**
- #100 Authorized to award a Lead Service Line Inventory Grant to the City of Franklin, NH, in the amount of \$50,000 to develop and implement drinking water service line inventories at the Franklin Water Works. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**
- #101 Authorized to enter into **retroactive** grant agreements with the entities as detailed in the letter dated October 10, 2023, totaling \$90,516 to fund Household Hazardous Waste collection projects. Effective as of July 15, 2023, upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Hazardous Waste Fund**
- #102 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Great Bay Stewards Inc., Greenland, NH, in the amount of \$100,000 to implement *Project RECAP: A Model for Building Community-Led Resilience* to collaboratively assess and develop strategies to improve coastal and Great Bay resiliency programs. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**
- #103 Authorized to enter into a contract with Recordsforce, Inc., Portsmouth, NH, for \$1,983,200 to arrange, inventory, transport and scan 4,000,000 septic system paper records to electronic format. Effective upon G&C approval through October 1, 2026. **100% Capital (General) Funds**
- #104 Authorized to enter into a contract with Rockingham Planning Commission, Exeter, NH, in the amount of \$60,280 for the *Environmental and Usage Assessment of Seabrook's Dune Walkways* project. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**
- #105 Authorized to amend a contract with F.L. Merrill Construction Inc., Loudon, NH (originally approved by G&C on 9/13/17, Item #65), to continue construction services on the Suncook River Mitigation Project by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2028 and reducing the contract amount by \$59,300 from \$2,616,728 to \$2,557,428. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2028. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Capital (General) Funds**
- #106 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with Seabrook-Hamptons Estuary Alliance, Hampton, NH, in the amount of \$88,900 for the *Advancing Resilience in Hampton Seabrook Estuary* project. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#107 Authorized to enter into an agreement with the Strafford Regional Planning Commission, Rochester, NH, in the amount of \$37,300 for the *Downtown Newmarket Riverfront Master Plan Update* project. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#108 Authorized to enter into an agreement with Wilson Controls, LLC, Lee, NH, in the amount of \$122,100 for as needed an emergency system integration and SCADA support services for the Winnepesaukee River Basin Programs' wastewater system. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% WRBP Funds**

#109 Authorized to amend a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement with the Town of Durham, NH (originally approved by G&C on 1/18/23, Item #86), to increase funding by \$424,250 from \$575,750 to \$1,000,000, under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds**

#110 Authorized a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement with the Town of Exeter, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$3,700,000 to finance the Westside Drive Area Utility Improvements-Construction project under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rule Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds**

#111 Authorized a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement with the Town of Milton, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to finance the Nitrogen Source Identification Plan project under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rule Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds**

#112 Authorized a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement with the North Conway Water Precinct, in an amount not to exceed \$1,390,000 to finance the Country Road Extension project under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rule Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds**

#113 Authorized to award a grant to the Base Hill Cooperative Inc., Keene, NH, in the amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for water system improvements under the provision of RSA 485:F. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2025. (2) Further authorized a loan agreement, in the amount not to exceed \$43,761 to finance water system improvements under the provisions of RSA 485:F and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Dw 1300 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund**

#114 Authorized to award a grant to the Town of Newport, NH, in the amount not to exceed \$1,837,200 for water system improvements. Effective upon G&C approval through January 1, 2025. **52% Federal Funds, 48% Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Funds.** (2) Further authorized a loan agreement, in the amount not to exceed \$572,800 to finance water system improvements under the provisions of RSA 485:F and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Dw 1300 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund**

#115 Authorized to amend an American Rescue Plan Act grant to the Town of Wolfeboro, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11/21/22, Item #92), by increasing the grant limitation by \$310,000 from \$361,305 to \$671,305 and by extending the completion date from December 1, 2023 to December 1, 2025. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized a loan agreement in the amount not to exceed \$1,690,000 to finance water system improvements under the provisions of RSA 485:F and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Dw 1100 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **87.34% Federal Funds, 12.66% General Funds**

#116 Authorized to amend a loan agreement with RPE Rochester, LLC, Rochester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 9/7/22, Item #79), by increasing the loan amount by \$170,000 from \$861,420 to \$1,031,420 to finance water system improvements provisions of RSA 485:F and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Dw 1100 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund Repayment Funds**

#117 Authorized to accept and place on file the 2023 Hazardous Water Cleanup Annual Report.

#118 Authorized 46 Rum Point LLC's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Alton, NH.

#119 Authorized ADL 325 Little Harbor Road Trust's request to perform work on Piscataqua River in Portsmouth, NH.

#120 Authorized Pease Development Authority, NH Division of Ports and Harbor's request to perform work on the Piscataqua River in Portsmouth, NH.

#121 Authorized Stephen P. Tozeski's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Tuftonboro, NH.

#122 Authorized Winnisquam Landing Condo Association's request to perform work on Winnisquam Lake in Tilton, NH.

#122A Authorized to approve a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan agreement with the Town of Milford, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$23,953,000, to finance the Wastewater Treatment Facility Nutrient and Metals Removal Upgrade project under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admi. Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **90% Federal Funds, 10% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Gatsas acted as follows:

#123 Authorized to accept and expend Child Nutrition Supply Chain Assistance 4th Round of funds in the amount of \$3,364,124 from the United States Department of Agriculture. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#124 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** Memorandum of Understanding with the NH Department of Corrections, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$120,000 to assist in the operation of approved Career and Technical Education programs. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#125 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with College Board, New York, NY, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to administer Advanced Placement ® exams in order to assist income-eligible high school students to participate in the Advanced Placement ® program with test fee reductions. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#126 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to enter into a contract with New Hampshire Association for the Blind, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$169,726 to provide technology workshops for older blind individuals, 55 years or older, so they can maintain community independence and utilize technology as a component of their independence. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#127 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to enter into a contract with New Hampshire Association for the Blind, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$863,240 to provide technology workshops for older blind individuals, 55 years or older, so they can maintain community independence and utilize technology as a component of their independence. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#128 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) to enter into a **sole source** contract with Monadnock Family Services, Keene, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 to provide support services for VR customers. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#129 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) to enter into a **sole source** contract with Northeast Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$257,848.56 to provide interpreter referral coordination for a VR staff member and VR customers interpreter assignments. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#130 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to enter into a **retroactive** contract with Brain Injury Association of New Hampshire, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$371,522.95, to provide Independent Living, Part B services. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#131 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to enter into a **retroactive** contract with Granite State Independent Living, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$538,282.27, to provide Independent Living, Part B services. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#132 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to enter into a **retroactive** contract with New Hampshire Association for the Blind, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$214,907.16, to provide Independent Living, Part B services. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#133 Authorized the Division of State Police to transfer funds and establish a new expenditure class code within NH DOT & DOJ Grant, in the amount of \$474,509 to procure intelligence-led policing software, as detailed in the letter dated October 25, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Transfer from Other Agencies. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#134 Authorized the Division of State Police to transfer funds and establish a new expenditure class code within NH DOT & DOJ Grant, in the amount of \$189,532 to align appropriations with the approved Federal grant award, as detailed in the letter dated October 23, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#135 Authorized to accept and expend \$243,555 from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Agency for software upgrades to the Division of Motor Vehicles State to State program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on November 9, 2023.**

#136 Authorized to accept and expend \$26,561 from the NH Office of Highway Safety for the purchase of educational materials for the Motorcycle Rider Training program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Intra-Agency Transfer**

#137 Authorized the Division of Fire Standards and Training and Emergency Medical Services to accept and expend funds from the US Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, in the amount of \$50,000 for procurement of examination software to conduct certification testing to first responders throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#138 Authorized the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the DOT, in the amount of \$250,000, to reimburse a portion of the operating expenses at the Nashua DMV – EZ -Pass office, Nashua, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2028. **100% Agency Income (Cost of Collections)**

#139 Authorized the Division of Administration and Division of Motor Vehicles, in the amount of \$352,500 to Stell Summit Ohio, Cincinnati, OH for the purchase of 125,000 LBS. of recycled aluminum for the manufacture of license plates. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Revolving Funds**

#140 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Epping, NH, in the amount of \$4,500 to update the community's Local Emergency Operation Plan. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#141 Authorized to enter into grant agreements with local entities, as detailed in the letter dated October 11, 2023, in the amount of \$3,124,450 for a portion of the 2023 Homeland Security Grant Program. Effective upon G&C approval, full contract execution at the local agency level and review and approval by the NH DOJ, and grantee funding acceptance of the award terms and conditions through the eligible Federal Grant period of August 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#142 Authorized to enter into grant agreements with New Hampshire Non-profit entities, as detailed in the letter dated October 11, 2023, in the amount of \$2,104,092 for the 95% portion of the 2023 Non-profit Security Grant Program. Effective upon G&C approval, full contract execution at the local agency level and review and approval by the NH DOJ, and grantee funding acceptance of the award terms and conditions through the eligible Federal Grant period of August 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#143 Authorized to appoint Susan Watkins as a Deputy Chief Forensic Investigator, at a salary level of \$85,629. Effective upon the first pay day of the first pay period following G&C approval, for a term ending November 8, 2028.

#144 Authorized to conduct a four-day 2023 Trial Advocacy Training Program to be held November 14-17, 2023 at the NH DOJ, Concord, NH, at a cost not to exceed \$4,239. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2023. **100% Agency Income**

#145 Authorized to enter into a subgrant **retroactive** to July 1, 2023, with Media Power Youth, Manchester, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000, to support the continued efforts and implementation of violence prevention through media literacy education programming in school. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds**

#146 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the Campton Police Department, Campton, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000, from the New Hampshire Regional Drug Task Force appropriation for the purpose of supporting drug task program operations. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#147 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the Portsmouth Police Department, Portsmouth, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$1,300,000, for the purpose of enhancing and sustaining the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds**

#148 Authorized to amend an existing subgrant **retroactive** to September 30, 2023, with the New Hampshire Department of Safety (originally approved by G&C on 6/15/22, Item #142), by extending the end date from September 30, 2023 to September 30, 2024, for the purpose of funding lab personnel training and lab certification maintenance. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funds are involved in this time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

#149 Authorized to amend an existing subgrant **retroactive** to September 30, 2023, with Waypoint, Manchester, NH, (originally approved by G&C on 1/22/21, Item #130), by extending the end date from September 30, 2023 to September 30, 2024 for the purpose of partnering with the NH Department of Corrections Family Connections Center, to enhance programs that strengthen the bond between NH incarcerated parents and their minor children. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funds are involved in this time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#150 Authorized a Working Capital Warrant for the month of December 2023 in the amount of \$900,000,000 to cover the payment of expenditures for the month.

#151 Authorized the request of the Division of Personnel for waiver of classification decisions. Effective upon G&C approval.

#152 Authorized to enter into a contract with Vulcan, Inc., Foley, AL in an amount up to and not to exceed \$535,928.25 for aluminum sign blanks. Effective upon G&C approval for the period February 1, 2024 through January 31, 2029, with the option to renew for up to an additional two years.

#153 Authorized to enter into a contract with Enviro Vantage, Inc., Epping, NH in an amount up to and not to exceed \$750,000 for asbestos abatement, mold remediation and lead containing paint removal services. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026, with the option to renew for up to an additional two years.

#154 Authorized to enter into a contract with Platt Enterprises Inc. d/b/a Signal of Concord, Groveton, NH for a total price not to exceed \$40,866 for security services at the former Laconia State School property. Effective upon G&C approval through May 7, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#155 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to the contract with Ace Endico Corp, Brewster, NY, by increasing the price limitation by \$1,488,311.07 from \$5,325,000 to an amount up to and not to exceed \$6,813,311.07, with no change the contract completion date, for food service (non-perishable, dry, frozen, meat, eggs and other). Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024.

#156 Authorized to enter into a contract with Thayer Limited Liability Company, Auburn, ME, in an amount up to and not to exceed \$1,489,720 for boiler preventative maintenance and repair. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2028, with the option to extend for an additional two years.

#157 **TABLED** - The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to **table** the request to authorize the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with Triple Construction, LLC, Hudson, NH, for a total price not to exceed \$533,142 for Philbrook Building Sewer Line Replacement, Concord, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through December 1, 2023, unless extended in accordance with the contract terms. **46% Capital Funds, 38% Other Funds, 16% General Funds.** (2) Further authorize a payment of \$18,500 to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total amount to \$571,642. **29% General Funds, 71% Other Funds**

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The next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday November 29, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the State House, Concord, NH.

The Honorable Board then adjourned at 12:25 p.m.