

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES  
State House, Concord, NH  
March 13, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 10:00 a.m. with Councilors Kenney, Warmington, Stevens and Wheeler present in person, and Councilor Gatsas was present via telephone.

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Today's pre-meeting ceremonial items included:

- Pastor Josh Barnes, Weare Bible Baptist Church, offered a prayer
- Councilor Wheeler led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Performance: Manchester Central High School Jazz Combo performed a few songs
- Proclamation: Francophonie Month
  - Joined by:
    - Mustafa Soykurt, Consul General of France to New England
    - Marie-Claude Francoeur, Quebec Government Delegate to New England
    - Representative from the Canadian Consulate
    - Representative from the French Congo Central Africa
    - Representative from the NH Franco-American Centre

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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 February 21, 2024 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 February 21, 2024 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:

Board of Speech-language Pathologists and Hearing Care Providers – RSA 328:F:4  
William Flanders, Hampton Effective: March 8, 2024

Justice, New Hampshire Circuit Court – RSA 490-F  
David S. Forrest, Temple Effective: May 1, 2024

Justice, New Hampshire Superior Court – RSA 491:1  
Amy L. Ignatius, Concord Effective: April 17, 2024

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**CONFIRMATIONS**

The Governor and Council confirmed the following:

Board of Athletic Trainers - RSA 328:F:4  
Cassandra Snow, Manchester Effective: March 13, 2024  
Succeeding: Kirsty Ridings, Wolfeboro (resigned) Term: January 8, 2026

Board of Foresters - RSA 310-A:100  
(Public Member)  
Colleen M. O'Neill, Cornish Effective: March 13, 2024  
Reappointment Term: August 22, 2028

Board of Home Inspectors - RSA 310-A:186  
(Home Inspector)  
Jared P. Piotrowski, Canterbury  
Succeeding: Joseph M. Griffin (resigned)  
Effective: March 13, 2024  
Term: December 18, 2025

Board of Licensed Dietitians - RSA 326-H  
Allison M. Bradley, Northfield  
Succeeding: Lisa J. Prospert, Concord  
Effective: March 13, 2024  
Term: December 6, 2026

Board of Septic System Evaluators - RSA 310-A:206  
(Sewage Disposal System Designer)  
Michael Carbonneau Jr., Littleton  
Succeeding: Christopher S. Albert, Nottingham  
Effective: March 13, 2024  
Term: April 5, 2027

Chief Operations Officer, Department of Environmental Services - RSA 21-O:2  
Susan Carlson, Bow  
Reappointment  
Effective: March 13, 2024  
Term: March 10, 2028

Director of the Division of Administration, Department of Energy - RSA 12-P:4  
Rorie E. Patterson, Concord  
Reappointment  
Effective: March 13, 2024  
Term: March 23, 2028

Fish and Game Commission - RSA 206:2  
(Belknap County)  
Patrick McGonagle, r, Gilford  
Succeeding: Marc M.H. Lachance, i, Gilmanton (resigned)  
Effective: March 13, 2024  
Term: June 29, 2026

Justice, New Hampshire Superior Court - RSA 490-F **Councilors Stevens and Wheeler voted no**  
Andrew B. Livernois, New Hampton  
Effective: March 16, 2024  
Term: Until 70 years of age

Poet Laureate - RSA 3-A  
Jennifer Militello, Goffstown  
Succeeding: Alexandria Peary, Londonderry  
Effective: March 23, 2024  
Term: March 22, 2029

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### **NOMINATIONS**

The following nominations were submitted:

Board of Speech-language Pathologists and Hearing Care Providers - RSA 328:F:4  
(Audiologist)  
William Flanders, Hampton  
Succeeding: Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, Nashua  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: March 4, 2026

Board of Speech-language Pathologists and Hearing Care Providers - RSA 328:F:4  
(Licensed SLP)  
Lisa B. Mitchell, Hampton Falls  
Succeeding: Ian McGarty, Goffstown  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: March 4, 2027

Current Use Advisory Board - RSA 79-A  
(Representing assessing official from town with less than 5,000 population)  
Thomas P. Hughes, Meredith  
Reappointment  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: December 23, 2025

Waste Management Council - RSA 21-0:9  
(Private Solid Waste Management Industry)  
Anthony Andre Belanger, Tilton  
Reappointment  
Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: December 23, 2026

Waste Management Council – RSA 21-0:9  
(Rep. of community which recycles or recovers solid waste)  
Steven D. Bullek, Madbury  
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: September 7, 2027

Waste Management Council – RSA 21-0:9  
(Licensed Sanitary or Environmental Engineer from Private Industry)  
Eric S. Steinhauser, Concord  
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: April 21, 2028

Water Council – RSA 21-0:7  
(Conservation/Environmental Organization)  
Charles N. DeCurtis, Henniker  
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation  
Term: August 24, 2024

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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 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- A. Authorized the use of a state vehicle for transportation beyond 300 miles one way, to reduce costs in travel expenses, for the purpose of assessing the Eurofins environmental testing laboratory, located in Ottawa, Canada from May 13-16, 2024, in the amount of \$1,519. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Laboratory Certification Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Division of Public Health Services**

- B. Authorized to pay Health Level Seven International, Ann Arbor, MI, in the amount of \$3,400, for annual membership dues. Effective upon G&C approval beginning on the date the dues are paid. **53% Federal Funds, 47% General Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Division of Public Health Services**

- C. Authorized to pay the New Hampshire Public Health Association, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$3,000, for annual membership dues. Effective upon G&C approval beginning on the date the dues are paid. **100% Federal Funds**

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

**FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT**

- A. Authorized to accept a donation pursuant to RSA 4:29 of approximately 3.15 acres in the Town of Bristol, NH, valued at approximately \$89,400, from CRP NH Ayers Island, LLC (formerly named HSE Hydro NH Ayers Island, LLC). Effective upon G&C approval.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES**

- B. Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to accept a donation from AYCO Charitable Foundation on behalf of their client in the amount of \$5,000 for the purpose of conservation work. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

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

**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

- A. Authorized to accept and place on file the annual comprehensive plan for the State Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022.

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- B. Authorized to accept and place on file the 2022-2023 biennial report.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES**

- A. Authorized the nomination of Major Joel E. Webley, Collierville, TN, 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.

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES**

- B. Authorized the confirmation of Major Nicholas W. Hayden, New Boston, NH, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard.

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES**

- C. Authorized the confirmation of Major Felix W. Wong, Arlington, MA, for appointment to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, in the NH Air National Guard.

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

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- A. Authorized to amend an American Rescue Plan Act grant to the Plymouth Village & Sewer District, Plymouth, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11/22/22, Item #118), by extending the completion date from March 31, 2024 to March 31, 2025, for the development of a comprehensive wastewater master plan. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- B. Authorized to amend a Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund grant to the Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire, Epping, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/1/22, Item #89), by extending the completion date from March 31, 2024 to March 31, 2025 to complete the closing on the protection of approximately 154 acres of wellhead protection lands for the Portsmouth Pease Tradeport community water supply. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Drinking Water Groundwater Trust Fund**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- C. Authorized to amend an American Rescue Plan Act grant to the Town of Wolfeboro, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12/21/22, Item #103), by extending the completion date from May 15, 2024 to March 31, 2025, for the Mill Street Pump Station Upgrades project. Effective upon G&C approval. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

**NEW HAMPSHIRE LOTTERY**

- D. Authorized a **sole source** amendment to the contract with Intralot, Inc., Duluth, GA (originally approved by G&C on 9/9/09, Item #133), for the Lottery's central gaming system and associated services by an additional 15 months from June 30, 2025 to September 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval, at the same contracted rate. **100% Lottery Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES**

- E. Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain Aerial Tramway and Ski Area to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Littleton Chevrolet, Buick, Inc., Littleton, NH, for use of 3 vehicles for co-branded marketing purposes and promotional services for a period of one-year. Effective upon G&C approval through February 21, 2025. No State Funds required.

**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES**

- F. Authorized to exercise an extension of a Memorandum of Understanding with the New England Utility Cybersecurity Integration Collaborative (NEUCIC) (originally approved by G&C on 4/17/19, Item #64), to allow use of the DMAVS facilities by the NEUCIC for the purpose of supporting a regional cybersecurity initiative. Effective April 17, 2024, upon G&C approval through April 17, 2029.

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## REGULAR AGENDA

### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Division for Behavioral Health**

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

#6 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds, in the amount of \$765,917, to support Riverbend Community Mental Health renovations of property to establish a 12-bed community residence. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated February 22, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#7 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds, in the amount of \$2,259,878, to support Easterseals New Hampshire Farnum Center to ensure critical substance use disorder services are available to those in need. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated February 22, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#8 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** cooperative project agreement with Community College System of New Hampshire, Laconia, NH, in the amount of \$122,325, to provide an online Peer Support Specialist Certificate program. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025, with the option to renew for up to two additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

#9 Authorized to enter into a contract with Friends of Aine, Manchester, NH, in the amount of \$499,413, for the provision of youth peer-to-peer grief support services. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025, with the option to renew for up to four additional years. **100% General Funds**

### **Division for Children, Youth & Families**

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

#10 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with The Children's Community Programs of Connecticut, Inc., New Haven, CT, a therapeutic foster care placement agency, in the amount of \$67,625, for the placement of a minor child with a licensed foster care family. Effective March 15, 2024, upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025, with the option to renew for one additional year. **44.36% Federal Funds, 55.64% General Funds**

#11 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Chapin Hall Center For Children, Chicago, IL (originally approved by G&C on 11/2/22, Item #10), to continue providing support and consultation to the Department in support of the delivery of high quality services to children, youth, and families, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$183,342 from \$336,120 to \$519,462 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

### **Glenclyff Home**

#12 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Kenney authorized to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$368,000 from the NH Department of Environmental Services, to fund the Glenclyff Home Wastewater Infrastructure Improvement Project. (2) Further authorized the funds to be allocated as detailed in the letter dated February 2, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Other Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

### **Division of Long Term Supports and Services**

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

#13 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Laconia Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Laconia, NH, in the amount of \$750,000 for the Congregate Housing Services Program supportive services to support individuals to remain at home with services and to avoid unnecessary institutionalization, pursuant to NH RSA 161:F. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025, with the option to renew for up to four additional years. **100% General Funds**

#14 Authorized to enter into a contract with Rockingham County, Brentwood, NH, in the amount of \$578,300 for the development and provision of a pilot program that defers and delays institutional care for individuals who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid benefits. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025, with the option to renew for up to two additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

#15 Authorized to enter into a contract with Anne Tumlinson Innovations, LLC, Washington, DC, in the amount of \$916,210, to conduct feasibility studies to determine if New Hampshire has the capacity to develop a program that defers and delays institutional care for individuals dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid benefits. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025, with the option to renew for up to two additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

#16 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Pyramid Model Consortium, Missoula, MT, in the amount of \$75,000 to provide Pyramid Model Implementation training and technical assistance to three Family Centered Early Supports and Services programs, and to develop processes and structures to support long-term sustainable and statewide implementation of the Pyramid Model framework. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026, with the option to renew for up to three additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

### **Division of Medicaid Services**

#17 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington authorized to award grant agreements with the Contractors as detailed in the letter dated February 27, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$100,045 to support provider-incurred costs of implementation of Electronic Visit Verification. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

### **New Hampshire Hospital**

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

#18 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds, in the amount of \$2,661,000 to undertake comprehensive security upgrades at New Hampshire Hospital. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated February 22, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#19 Authorized, with Glenclyff Home, to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with ITW Food Equipment Group LLC, Troy, OH (originally approved by G&C on 4/7/21, Item #10), for adding a list of kitchen equipment at Glenclyff Home to receive maintenance and repair on a quarterly basis, by increasing the price limitation by \$8,000 from \$92,000 to \$100,000 with no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#20 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Minuteman Security Technologies, Inc., Andover, MA (originally approved by G&C on 9/11/20, Item #9), for inspection, testing, preventative maintenance, and repairs for life safety systems at New Hampshire Hospital, seven satellite buildings located at the Hugh J. Gallen State Office Complex, and the planned New Hampshire Forensic Hospital when it is placed in service, by exercising a contract renewal option to extend the completion date from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2027 and increase the price limitation by \$135,000 from \$120,000 to \$255,000. Effective upon G&C approval. **69% General Funds, 31% Other Funds (Provider and Intra-Agency)**

#21 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Granite State Automation LLC, Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 3/8/23, Item #13), for preventive maintenance, repairs, and emergency services for the building automation systems at the New Hampshire Hospital Acute Psychiatric Services facility and transitional housing buildings, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$59,400 from \$107,000 to \$166,400 and extending the completion date from December 31, 2026. Effective January 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **69% General Funds, 31% Other Funds (Provider Fees)**

#### **Division of Public Health Services**

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

#22 Authorized to **retroactively** pay the Association of Immunization Managers, Rockville, MD, in the amount of \$3,000 for annual membership dues. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#23 Authorized to amend an existing contract with JSI Research & Training Institute, Inc., Bow, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/29/22, Item #34), to continue federal shortage designations within the state, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$108,108 from \$63,760 to \$171,868 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **41% Federal Funds, 59% General Funds**

#24 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Northeast Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, Inc., Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8/17/22, Item #18), to continue providing educational resources and deaf or hard of hearing mentorship activities to families with an infant or young child up to age of three, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$53,000 from \$100,000 to \$153,000 and by extending the completion date from April 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

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

#25 Authorized the Division of Finance to establish various non-budgeted classes in various accounting units and to transfer \$15,000 between various accounts and classes. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized to establish non-budgeted classes in various accounting units and to transfer \$426,743 between various accounts and classes as detailed in the letter dated January 24, 2024. **100% Highway Funds.** These transfers are requested in order to pay for services incurred in meeting the State's transportation demands. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#26 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to transfer \$1,321,703 between various accounts and classes in Turnpike's Administration Support, East NH Tpk Blue Star Maintenance and Turnpike's Toll Collection in order to pay for services incurred in meeting the State's transportation demands. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Turnpike Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#27 Authorized the Executive Office to pay membership dues **retroactively** in the amount of \$3,000, to WTS International, Washington, DC, for continuing membership in the organization. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of February 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025. **17% Federal Funds, 77% Highway Funds, 6% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#28 Authorized the Bureau of Finance & Contracts to pay membership dues **retroactively** in the amount of \$15,000 to the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Washington, DC to participate in the Operations Technical Services Program. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#29 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to **retroactively** amend contract with McFarland-Johnson, Inc., Concord, NH and Binghamton, NY (originally approved by G&C 11/20/13, Item #123), to prepare the second phase of the preliminary engineering design for the section of Interstate 93 passing through Bow and Concord from I-89 through I-393, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. Time extension only, no new funding.

#30 Authorized the Bureau of Mechanical Services to enter into a contract with J.W. Fleet & Equipment, Inc., Bow, NH, on the basis of a single bid offer of \$84,200 for providing Truck Painting Services. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **5.87% Other Funds, 94.13% Highway Funds**

#31 Authorized the Bureau of Environment to enter into an agreement with Tighe & Bond, Inc., Portsmouth, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$300,000, for transportation-related project-level water quality and wetlands studies, including coastal wetlands, for Department projects at various locations throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2028.

#32 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to enter into an agreement with HNTB Corporation, Concord, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$750,000, for Turnpike System Services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2027. **100% Turnpike Funds**

#33 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to enter into an agreement with Jacobs Engineering, Inc., Bedford, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$750,000, for Turnpike System Services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2027. **100% Turnpike Funds**

#34 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to enter into an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., Auburn, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$750,000, for Turnpike System Services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2027. **100% Turnpike Funds**

#35 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with SPS New England, Inc., Salisbury, MA, on the basis of a low bid of \$107,559,567.35 for replacement of the State Red List bridge that carries NH 1A over Hampton River at the inlet to Hampton Harbor in Hampton, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 23, 2028. **100% Federal Funds**

#36 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to accept and place on file the year end summary report for 2023 of active projects that may require contingency use.

#36A Authorized the Bureau of Environment to enter into an agreement with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., Bedford, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$300,000, for transportation-related project-level water quality and wetlands studies, including coastal wetlands, for Department projects at various locations throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2028.

#36B Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to transfer funds in the amount of \$5,900,404 from the Turnpike General Reserve Account to budget and expend revenue for Toll System equipment upgrades at the Turnpike System's Hooksett and Hampton Toll Plazas. (2) Further authorized to amend a contract with Kapsch TrafficCom USA, Inc., Secaucus, NJ (originally approved by G&C on 2/1/17, Item #80), by increasing the contract amount by \$5,900,404 from \$14,242,559.74 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$20,142,963.74 to upgrade equipment at Hampton and Hooksett Toll Plazas. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Turnpike Funds**

*[\\*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**

#37 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Warmington authorized to amend expenditure authorization in the amount of \$9,882,155.40 (originally approved by G&C on 11/22/22, Item #53), for school security improvement projects by extending the end date from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

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

#38 Authorized to establish a salary of \$121,751, salary grade GG, step 7, for Mr. Michael Williams as Assistant Director, Enterprise Applications. Effective March 22, 2024, or upon G&C approval, whichever is later. **21% Federal Funds, 32% General Funds, 47% Other Funds**

#39 Authorized, on behalf of the Department of Health and Human Services, to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with RTM Designs, Hendersonville, NC (originally approved by G&C on 7/15/09, Item #6), by increasing the contract amount by \$242,047 from \$570,554.93 to \$812,601.92 to provide State and Federal required system modifications to the Navigate/Refer software application and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2028. Effective upon G&C approval. **58% General Funds, 42% Federal Funds**

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE COMMISSION ON AGING**

#40 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Wheeler authorized to accept and expend in an amount not to exceed \$399,000 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds to grant funds for a Community Transportation Needs Assessment & Planning Initiative focused on the Needs of Older Adults, People Living with Disabilities, and Veterans. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#### **OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION**

#41 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized to enter into an agreement with Cheryl Donnell, DVM, Brookline, NH, for Veterinarian Investigative Services, statewide for the OPLC, for an amount not to exceed \$30,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024, with the option to extend for four years. **100% Agency Funds**

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE JUDICIAL COUNCIL**

#42 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Warmington, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized to receive an additional appropriation from funds not otherwise appropriated in the total amount of \$750,000 in order to pay the court-approved invoices for services as detailed in the letter dated February 27, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOODS**

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

#43 Authorized to amend a Fiscal Committee Item (originally approved by G&C on 11/22/22, Item #57), for the NH Meat Processing Infrastructure and Training Investment Program, by adjusting the project scope for the Certificate in Meat Processing and Foods Safety program and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2024 to September 30, 2024, with no increase in funding. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#44 Authorized the Division of Pesticide Control to budget and expend balance forward revenue totaling \$160,000 received from pesticide product registration fees for the purpose of providing grants to various grantees in support of the Integrated Pest Management Program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Other Funds – Integrated Pest Management. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#45 Authorized the Division of Agriculture Development to award grants as detailed in the letter dated February 28, 2024 totaling \$143,364.10 from the Local Food for Schools Cooperative Grant Program to the Manchester School District and the Somersworth School District to procure local commodity foods for schools participating in the National School Lunch Program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. (2) Further authorized to disburse advance payment, in the amount of \$30,000 to the two recipients in the amounts shown in letter. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#46 Authorized the Division of Agricultural Development to enter into Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire in the amount of \$557,714 to assist in developing new market opportunities for local producers and processors within the Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program. Effective upon G&C approval through May 24, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#### **GOVERNOR'S OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY**

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

#47 Authorized to accept and expend \$52,553 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds to support the Professional Fire Fighters of New Hampshire in order to provide cancer screenings to NH's first responders. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#48 Authorized to enter into an agreement with the Professional Fire Fighters of New Hampshire, Concord, NH in the amount of \$50,000 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds in order to provide cancer screening to NH's first responders. Effective upon G&C approval through August 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon approval of Item #48 above.**

#49 Authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the NH Judicial Branch, in the amount of \$3,593,904 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds to do a comprehensive statewide assessment of the security of the courts and make appropriate upgrades throughout. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#50 Authorized to enter into an agreement with Volunteer NH!, Concord, NH in the amount of \$1,032,465 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds in order to match their ARPA and other program funding in order to fully implement their programming and maximize funding opportunities. Effective upon G&C approval through June 20, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS**

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

#51 Authorized the Office of Outdoor Recreation Industry Development to **retroactively** renew a membership with the Outdoor Recreation Roundtable, New York, NY, in the amount of \$5,000 for national networking opportunities and the chance to promote outdoor recreation at the federal level. Effective upon G&C approval for the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#52 Authorized to make adjustments to transfer a classified position and associated funding as detailed in the letter dated February 18, 2024 to improve and make the administration of the Department more economical. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025.

#53 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to amend an existing **sole source** sub award (or grant) agreement with the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority (originally approved by G&C on 7/27/22, Late Item B) as part of the InvestNH housing program, by increasing the price limitation by \$4,000,000 from \$10,000,000 to \$14,000,000, and extending the project completion date from December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#54 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to amend an existing **sole source** sub award (or grant) agreement with the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority (originally approved by G&C on 7/27/22, Late Item A) as part of the InvestNH housing program, by increasing the price limitation by \$2,900,000 from \$5,000,000 to \$7,900,000, and extending the project completion date from September 30, 2024 to December 31, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#55 Authorized the Division of Economic Development to enter into a contract with ADG-Arnett Development Group LLC, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$410,000 to provide specialized capacity building support to communities aimed at identifying potential projects and funding sources that will improve the economic opportunities in NH's Northern Border Regional Commission's communities. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#56 Authorized the Division of Travel and Tourism Development to award grants to the organizations as detailed in the letter dated January 31, 2024, in the total amount not to exceed \$90,339.91, for marketing projects under the Joint Promotional Program for the grant period. Effective upon G&C approval through the dates indicated in letter. **100% General Funds**

#### **FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT**

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

#57 Authorized the Law Enforcement Division to accept and expend funds from the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Division of State Police, in the amount of \$107,311, for the purpose of reducing the instance of crimes and illicit activity occurring within the northern border alliance patrol area as well as completion of mandatory training. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Agency Income. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#58 Authorized the transfer of \$78,000 from the New Hampshire Fish and Game Fund Reserve to the Fish and Game FY 2024 Operating Budget in order to cover unanticipated expenses that were not included in the budget. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#59 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with the Wildlife Management Institute, Cabot, VT, in the amount of \$32,835 to provide a scope of services that include dues and assessments, as well as research and management of multiple waterfowl species. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Game Management Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES**

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

#60 Authorized the State Library to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds in the amount of \$168,224, to purchase books or other supplies or facilities for the State Library. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Other Funds (Library Donations). Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#61 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds in the amount of \$7,000 from the Forest and Management Protection Fund for the purpose of purchasing a new vehicle for the recently added position of a Conservation Easement Forester II. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Agency Income**

#62 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to accept and expend NH Department of Safety (NHDOS) Grant Funds in the amount of \$24,791 to be used for funding of northern border law enforcement patrols in accordance with the terms of the portion of the grant known as the Northern Border Alliance as managed by NHDOS. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds**

#63 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds from the Communication Site Ops account in the amount of \$42,300 for the purpose of clearing and re-establishing right-of-way corridor from Oak Hill Road in Concord/Loudon to the Oak Hill Fire Tower. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#64 Authorized the Division of Historical Resources to award a Conservation Number Plate grant to the Town of Alstead, NH, in the amount of \$20,000 for rehabilitation of the Vilas Pool Snack Shack. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2025. (2) Further authorized an advance payment in the amount of \$10,000 to the Town of Alstead in accordance with the terms of the contract. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#65 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Historic Sites to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to a contract with Aeon Preservation Services, LLC, Bladensburg, MD (originally approved by G&C on 3/8/23, Item #32), for a conditions assessment and treatment recommendations for Fort Constitution by extending the completion date from September 1, 2023 to March 1, 2024, with no change to the price limitation of \$212,850. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

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

#66 Authorized to accept and expend \$131,710 in federal funds from the Coastal Resilience Grant to fund work to identify adaptation alternatives for the NH Coastal Flood Risk Model. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#67 Authorized to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds under the provisions of RSA 485-A:45-54, in the amount of \$875,000 in order to provide funding for significantly increased operational costs at the Winnepesaukee River Basin Program (WRBP). Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% WRBP Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#68 Authorized to accept and expend \$3,500,000 in federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to fund the remediation of Mohawk Tannery hazardous waste site in the City of Nashua, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#69 Authorized to amend a Fiscal Committee Item (originally approved by G&C on 11/22/22, Item #99), by reallocating funds in the amount of \$387,873 between class lines and create a new expenditure class code as detailed in the letter dated February 21, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#70 Authorized to **retroactively** pay calendar year 2024 membership dues, in the amount of \$12,000, to the Ground Water Protection Council, Oklahoma City, OK. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#71 Authorized to enter into a contract with GZA Geo Environmental, Inc., Norwood, MA, in the amount of \$86,903 to provide cyanobacteria monitoring services for the Bellamy Reservoir, which is the primary source of drinking water for the City of Portsmouth, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#72 Authorized to amend a Lease Agreement with Green Mountain Power Corporation (originally approved by G&C on 7/7/1983, Item #31) to continue the operation of a hydroelectric power production facility at the state-owned Kelley Falls Dam in Manchester, NH. This is a no-cost time extension.

#73 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the New Hampshire Lakes Association, Inc. (NH LAKES), Concord, NH, totaling \$295,000 for the purpose of aquatic invasive species prevention activities. (2) Further authorized an advance payment in the amount of \$100,000 to NH LAKES in accordance with the terms of the grant agreement. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **100% Lake Restoration Funds**

#74 Authorized to award a Local Source Water Protection grant to the Town of Conway, NH, in the amount of \$14,000 to complete a project to protect public drinking water supplies in Conway. Effective upon G&C approval through May 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#75 Authorized to award a Local Source Water Protection grant to the Merrimack Village District, Merrimack, NH, in the amount of \$26,861 to complete a project to protect public drinking water supplies in Merrimack. Effective upon G&C approval through May 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#76 Authorized to award a Local Source Water Protection grant to Moose Mountains Regional Greenways, Union, NH, in the amount of \$25,000 to complete a project to protect public drinking water supplies in Farmington and Strafford, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through May 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#77 Authorized to award a Local Source Water Protection grant to Rockingham Planning Commission, Exeter, NH, in the amount of \$20,011 to complete a project to protect public drinking water supplies in Newton and South Hampton, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through May 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#78 Authorized to award a Local Source Water Protection grant to the Swains Lake Village District, Barrington, NH, in the amount of \$22,125 to complete a project to protect public drinking water supplies in Barrington. Effective upon G&C approval through May 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#79 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Goshen, NH, totaling \$168,000 for partial funding of one plow truck replacement. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% NH Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust Funds**

#80 Authorized to amend a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement with the Town of Waterville Valley, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11/22/22, Item #143), to increase funding by \$6,000,000 from \$4,000,000 to \$10,000,000, 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**

#81 Authorized to amend a grant to the Tilton-Northfield Water District, Tilton, NH (originally approved by G&C on 9/21/22, Item #89), by extending the completion date from December 1, 2024 to December 1, 2025, and increasing the grant amount by \$1,585,458 to \$3,535,458 from \$1,950,000, for water system improvements. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized to amend an agreement to the Tilton-Northfield Water District, Tilton, NH (originally approved by G&C on 9/21/22, Item #89), by increasing the loan amount by \$4,085,458 from \$4,550,000 to \$8,635,458 to finance water system improvements under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin Rules Env-Dw 1100 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **87.34% Federal Funds, 12.66% General Funds, and 100% Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund BIL Funds**

#82 Authorized Paul/Shea Ripplinger's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Alton, NH.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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

#83 Authorized the Bureau of Adult Education to accept and expend additional grant funds from the US Department of Education in the amount of \$300,000 for the continued support of the Adult Education & Family Literacy Act grant. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#84 Authorized the Division of Learner Support, Bureau of Special Education to transfer federal grant funds, in the amount of \$394,000 in an among classes to allow for additional full-time temporary staff. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#85 Authorized the Bureau of School Finance to accept and expend NH Department of Education: School Finance Data Project Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems (SLDS-Fi) Grant CFDA funds in the amount of \$2,693,650 from the Institute of Education Sciences at US Department of Education. (2) Further authorized to establish temporary full-time positions in support of the SLDA-Fi. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#86 Authorized the Bureau of Student Wellness, Office of Social & Emotional Wellness to enter into a **sole source** Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire, Youth and Family Resilience, Durham, NH, in the amount of \$139,278 to provide Youth Mental Health First Aid and nature-based wellness education for youth. Effective upon G&C approval through September 29, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#87 Authorized to enter into a contract with Waypoint, Manchester, NH, in the amount of \$21,990.06 to provide wraparound services to students experiencing homelessness including academic tutoring, trauma-informed services, social emotional support, and connection to mental health services. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#88 Authorized the Bureau of Instructional Support to enter into a **sole source** contract with Discovery Education, Charlotte, NC, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to provide high quality curriculum and instructional materials for NH students and teachers to help them explore the history, heritage, and principles of the NH Constitution and government it established. Effective upon G&C approval through October 1, 2026, with the option to renew for three additional two-year terms. **100% General Funds**

#89 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Community and School Partners, LLC, Portsmouth, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8/17/22, Item #64), by increasing the price limitation by \$2,532,007 from \$4,196,267 to \$6,728,274, to develop, support, maintain, and update its proprietary data collection systems and to meeting changing mandates as required for state and federal needs, with no change to the contract completion date. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **23% Federal Funds, 8% State Funds, 69% Education Trust Funds**

#90 Authorized to amend an existing **sole source** contract with Public Consulting Group, LLC, Boston, MA (originally approved by G&C on 6/30/21, Item #152), by increasing the price limitation by \$525,000 from \$2,626,542.08 to \$3,151,542.08, to add translation services to the NH Special Education Information System, with no change to the contract completion date. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

## DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

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

#91 Authorized the Division of Fire Standards and Training and Emergency Medical Services to accept and expend funds from the NH Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health, in the amount of \$100,000 for the creation of mental health and post-traumatic stress disorder training for NH's First Responders, pursuant to NH Senate Bill 357. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Fed Rev Transfers from Other Agency. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#92 Authorized the Division of State Police to accept and expend \$198,250 of federal pass-through funds from the NH Department of Justice to purchase ten Livescan machines. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Xfers from Other Agencies. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#93 Authorized the Division of State Police to accept and expend in the amount of \$297,232 from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, to update our Core Innovative Technology Deployment (ITD) Program Plan and Top-Level Design (PP/TLD) to an Expanded ITD PP/TLD. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#94 Authorized the Division of State Police to accept and expend \$450,000 of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, for the purpose of expanding the comprehensive "No Safe Experience" Public Awareness Campaign on the dangers associated with recreational substance use. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#95 Authorized the Office of Highway Safety to accept and expend \$497,374 new (405e) program funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Federal Grant Program for providing grants to State and local law enforcement along with media campaigns with a focus on eliminating the number of deaths on NH roadways caused by distracted driving. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#96 Authorized the Division of State Police to accept and expend in the amount of \$1,076,532 from the US Department of Justice for the purpose of advancing public safety by investigating illicit drug activities. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#97 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security Emergency Management to accept and expend \$3,000,000 of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, for the further implement security enhancements in State facilities. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#98 Authorized the Division of State Police to transfer funds and establish a new expenditure class code within SP Homeland Security Grants, in the amount of \$234,580, as detailed in the letter dated February 12, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Intra-Agency Transfers. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#99 Authorized the Division of State Police to pay overtime in the amount of \$250,000 for permanent personnel from class 10 appropriations for positions that are vacant due to illness, extended leaves of absence, or pending recruitment at NH Hospital State Office Complex Police. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% Transfer from other Agencies**

#100 Authorized the Office of Highway Safety to enter into a **sole source** grant agreement with the Community Alliance for Teen Safety, a non-profit located in Derry, NH, in the amount of \$5,984.66, to implement a Youth Highway Safety Engagement and Media Program which will provide an opportunity for teens to work together, in a virtual setting, with media professionals, members of the community, Pinkerton Academy, local law enforcement and first responders. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#101 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Warner, NH, in the amount of \$7,300 to purchase technology equipment, to include two laptops and required software, for their Emergency Operations Center. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#102 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into grant agreements with the local entities as detailed in the letter dated February 12, 2024, in the amount not to exceed \$60,598 for Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness grants to municipalities. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#102A Councilor Gatsas made a motion to table this item; there being no second, the Governor and Council authorized, with Councilor Gatsas voting **no**, to lease from Legacy at Laconia LLC, Manchester, NH, in the amount of \$206,666.73 for the Dwinell building situated on the Lake Region Facility campus property in Laconia together with the adjacent associated parking lots and driveways, for a period of two years. **100% Agency Income**

#102B Councilor Gatsas made a motion to table this item; there being no second, the Governor and Council authorized, with Councilor Gatsas voting **no**, to sublease to the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association (LRMFAA), Laconia, NH, in the amount of \$5,595.88 for the portion of the Dwinell building situated on the Lakes Region Facility campus property in Laconia that is currently occupied and used by the LRMFAA. Effective upon G&C approval and the final closing of the pending sale of the Lakes Region Facility campus property, for a period of three years. **100% Net Proceeds from Sublease (General Funds)**

#102C Authorized the Division of Fire Safety to add one additional license in FY2024 and to exercise a contract renewal option with AristaTek, Inc., Laramie, WY (originally approved by G&C on 10/23/19, Item #85), for Palmtop Emergency Action for Chemicals hazardous materials software by increasing the price limitation by \$32,965 from \$135,390 to \$168,355 and extending the completion date from September 18, 2024 to September 18, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

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

#103 Authorized to accept and expend \$58,500 in registration fees to cover conference costs for a two-day advanced training event, entitled "2024 Partnering for a Future Without Violence Conference" to be held September 4-5, 2024. **100% Other Funds.** (2) Further authorized to accept and expend \$38,000 in federal funds to further cover costs for the "2024 Partnering for a Future Without Violence Conference. **100% Federal Funds.** (3) Further authorized to conduct the "2024 Partnering for a Future Without Violence Conference" for the purpose of training professionals providing direct services to victims of crime, for a total cost not to exceed \$96,500. **61% Agency Income, 39% Federal Funds.** (4) Further authorized to enter into an agreement with JPA III Management Company, Inc., d/b/a DoubleTree by Hilton, Manchester, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$79,106.50 for the purpose of providing necessary conference facilities and services for the training event. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2024. **61% Agency Income, 39% Federal Funds**

#104 Authorized to appoint Assistant Attorney General Michael R. Haley as the Director of Charitable Trusts, at a salary level of \$115,000. Effective upon G&C approval or March 22, 2024, whichever is later, for a term ending July 1, 2024.

#105 Authorized the Attorney General to amend Item #62 approved by the G&C on 1/10/24, to appoint Rory S. Miller as an Attorney at a salary level of \$105,000, by changing only the effective date from April 5, 2024 to March 22, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval.

#106 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the Organization for Refugee and Immigration Success, Manchester, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$53,324, from the US Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Violence Against Women Formula Grant for the purpose of providing services for women in NH who are victims of violent crimes. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#107 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the Victory Women of Vision, Manchester, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$53,324 from the US Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Violence Against Women Formula Grant for the purpose of providing services for women in NH who are victims of violent crimes. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#108 Authorized to enter into subgrants with the subrecipients as detailed in the letter dated February 23, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$190,700, from the US Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Violence Against Women Formula Grant for the purpose of providing services for women in NH who are victims of violent crimes. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024. **100% Federal Funds**

#109 Authorized to amend an existing subgrant with the Campton Police Department, Campton, NH, (originally approved by G&C on 11/8/23, Item #146), from the NH Regional Drug Task Force appropriation, by increasing the price limitation by \$20,000 from \$45,000 to \$65,000, with no change to the completion date, for the purpose of supporting Drug Task Force program operations. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#110 Authorized to **retroactively** amend an existing subgrant with the Portsmouth Police Department, Portsmouth, NH (originally approved by G&C on 9/21/22, Item #122), by extending the end date from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2024, from the American Rescue Plan Act for the purpose of supporting Internet Crimes Against Children program activities related to COVID-19 restrictions. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funds are involved in this time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

#111 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** contract with Dr. Terra Cederroth, NJ as a substitute medical examiner, for a total not to exceed \$8,000, to aid the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for the period of March 1, 2024 to March 4, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval through April 30, 2024. **100% General Funds**

#112 **DENIED** – The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney voted to **deny** consideration of whether the petition of Michael Higley (age 61) requesting a pardon hearing for the offense of falsifying physical evidence should be granted. Pursuant to RSA 651:5, the petitioner is not eligible for an annulment as this offense is a felony obstruction of justice crime.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

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

#113 Authorized to transfer funds in the amount of \$91,600 and create a new expenditure class code in order to improve statewide recruitment processes and provide increased recruitment focus for difficult-to-fill positions. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2024. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 15, 2024.**

#114 Authorized a Working Capital Warrant for the month of April 2024 in the amount of \$850,000,000 to cover the payment of expenditures for the month.

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

#116 Authorized to enter into an amendment to an existing contract with Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc., d/b/a Fidium, Mattoon, IL (originally approved by G&C on 5/3/17, Item #104), for carrier ethernet services by increasing the price limitation by \$1,048,080 from \$4,800,000 to an amount up to and not to exceed \$5,848,080 and by extending the completion date from May 31, 2024 to May 31, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval.

#117 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into an agreement with CHA Consulting, Inc., Albany, NY, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, for Mechanical Engineering Services required for planning, design, and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027.

#118 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into an agreement with Wright-Pierce, Portsmouth, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, for Civil-Structural Engineering Services required for planning, design, and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027.

#119 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into an agreement with Oak Point Associates, P.A., Portsmouth, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, for Electrical Engineering Services required for planning, design, and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027.

#120 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with Berg Contracting and Construction, Fitzwilliam, NH, for a total price not to exceed \$512,100 for the Ashley Ferry Boat Ramp Replacement. (2) Further authorized a payment of \$39,660 to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total amount to \$551,760. Effective upon G&C approval through October 30, 2024. **59% Agency Funds, 41% Federal Funds**

#121 Authorized 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 \$188,101 for Project Roof Replacement – Plaza Deck, Concord, NH. (2) Further authorized a payment of \$16,500 to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total amount to \$204,601. Effective upon G&C approval through July 26, 2024. **100% Capital Funds**

#122 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with Meridian Construction Corp., Gilford, NH for a total price not to exceed \$441,488, for Statewide Courthouse Roof Replacements – Phase 2. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$50,000 for unanticipated expenses, bringing the total to \$491,488. (3) Further authorized a payment of \$14,000 to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total amount to \$505,488. Effective upon G&C approval through the completion of construction administrative services, estimated to be November 1, 2024. **100% Capital Funds**

#123 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with RTH Mechanical Construction, Inc., Dover, NH, for a total price not to exceed \$1,825,629 for Project Rebid-ARPA-Rockingham County Courthouse HVAC Upgrades Phase II. (2) Further authorized a payment of \$63,000 to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total amount to \$1,888,629. Effective upon G&C approval through April 1, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

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The next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday March 27, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the State House, Concord, NH.

The Honorable Board then adjourned at 11:55 a.m.