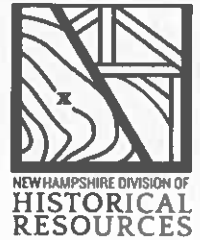




State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES

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July 15, 2026

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Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Executive Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Historical Resources, to award a Certified Local Government grant to the City of Portsmouth (VC #177463), in the amount of \$27,000 to hire a qualified consultant to prepare individual inventory forms for properties within the City's locally regulated historic district effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through September 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funding.**

Funding is available in account, Federal Preservation Programs, as follows:

03-035-035-354010-14450000-072-500575 - Grants Federal

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\$27,000

EXPLANATION

The Division of Historical Resources is required to set aside 10% of its federal funds received through the Historic Preservation Fund for Certified Local Governments (CLG). Under federal program rules, only "Certified Local Governments" are allowed to apply for CLG funds. New Hampshire has thirty CLG communities. No match is required for this grant and will use 100% federal funds.

The City of Portsmouth's Historic District was established in 1974 and included the downtown area and the South End neighborhood. In the early 1980s, the district was expanded to include the middle Street corridor from Haymarket Square to South Street. At that time, basic inventory forms were completed for each resource in the district. These include estimated construction dates, character-defining features, photos, and brief histories. This information currently helps the Historic District Commission (HDC) make decisions about proposed changes to properties within the Historic District. In 2010, the City added the Islington Street corridor to the Historic District. These 75 parcels do not have basic inventory forms or historic summaries available to the HDC to assist in review and decision making. This area is experiencing renovation and development pressure. The HDC would greatly benefit from historic information about the properties. This background information would help to inform current and future Commissioners when evaluating the appropriateness of the application.

In addition to survey, the HDC will sponsor a Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program (CAMP) workshop which is a customized training program by the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) designed to educate local preservation boards, build community leaders, and improve historic preservation standards. The CAMP program will provide the HDC members with training on various topics from preservation professionals. The Commissioners have specifically requested training to ensure that they follow correct and legal procedures during meetings and for more detailed guidance for evaluating and decision-making for new construction in the Historic District.

The Attorney General's Office has reviewed and approved the grant agreement as to form, substance and execution.

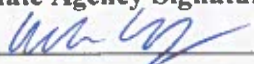
Respectfully submitted,

Adam J. Crepeau
Interim Commissioner

GRANT AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Grantee hereby
Mutually agree as follows:
GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Identification and Definitions.

1.1. State Agency Name Department of Natural & Cultural Resources, Division of Historical Resources		1.2. State Agency Address 172 Pembroke Road, Concord, NH 03301	
1.3. Grantee Name City of Portsmouth Vendor Code: 177463 UEID: XTL2C874AZN7		1.4. Grantee Address 1 Junkins Avenue Portsmouth, NH 03801	
1.5 Grantee Phone # (603) 610-7235	1.6. Account Number #14450000	1.7. Completion Date 9/30/2027	1.8. Grant Limitation \$27,000
1.9. Grant Officer for State Agency Brandee Loughlin		1.10. State Agency Telephone Number 603-271-3583	
If Grantee is a municipality or village district: "By signing this form we certify that we have complied with any public meeting requirement for acceptance of this grant, including if applicable RSA 31:95-b."			
1.11. Grantee Signature 1 		1.12. Name & Title of Grantee Signor 1 Karen S. Conrad, City Manager	
Grantee Signature 2		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 2	
Grantee Signature 3		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 3	
1.13 State Agency Signature(s) Date:  6/30/26		1.14. Name & Title of State Agency Signor(s) Adam Crepeau Commissioner	
1.15. Approval by Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) (if G & C approval required) By: Mary E. Maloney Assistant Attorney General, On: / / July 22, 2026			
1.16. Approval by Governor and Council (if applicable) By: On: / /			

2. **SCOPE OF WORK:** In exchange for grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire, acting through the Agency identified in block 1.1 (hereinafter referred to as "the State"), the Grantee identified in block 1.3 (hereinafter referred to as "the Grantee"), shall perform that work identified and more particularly described in the scope of work attached hereto as EXHIBIT B (the scope of work being hereinafter referred to as "the Project").

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3. AREA COVERED. Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Grantee shall perform the Project in, and with respect to, the State of New Hampshire.
4. EFFECTIVE DATE: COMPLETION OF PROJECT.
- 4.1. This Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date of approval of this Agreement by the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire if required (block 1.16), or upon signature by the State Agency as shown in block 1.14 ("the Effective Date").
- 4.2. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the Project, including all reports required by this Agreement, shall be completed in ITS entirety prior to the date in block 1.7 (hereinafter referred to as "the Completion Date").
5. GRANT AMOUNT: LIMITATION ON AMOUNT: VOUCHERS: PAYMENT.
- 5.1. The Grant Amount is identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT C, attached hereto.
- 5.2. The manner of, and schedule of payment shall be as set forth in EXHIBIT C.
- 5.3. In accordance with the provisions set forth in EXHIBIT C, and in consideration of the satisfactory performance of the Project, as determined by the State, and as limited by subparagraph 5.5 of these general provisions, the State shall pay the Grantee the Grant Amount. The State shall withhold from the amount otherwise payable to the Grantee under this subparagraph 5.3 those sums required, or permitted, to be withheld pursuant to N.H. RSA 80:7 through 7-c.
- 5.4. The payment by the State of the Grant amount shall be the only, and the complete payment to the Grantee for all expenses, of whatever nature, incurred by the Grantee in the performance hereof, and shall be the only, and the complete, compensation to the Grantee for the Project. The State shall have no liabilities to the Grantee other than the Grant Amount.
- 5.5. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made, hereunder exceed the Grant limitation set forth in block 1.8 of these general provisions.
6. COMPLIANCE BY GRANTEE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS. In connection with the performance of the Project, the Grantee shall comply with all statutes, laws regulations, and orders of federal, state, county, or municipal authorities which shall impose any obligations or duty upon the Grantee, including the acquisition of any and all necessary permits and RSA 31-95-b.
7. RECORDS and ACCOUNTS.
- 7.1. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, unless otherwise required by the grant terms or the Agency, the Grantee shall keep detailed accounts of all expenses incurred in connection with the Project, including, but not limited to, costs of administration, transportation, insurance, telephone calls, and clerical materials and services. Such accounts shall be supported by receipts, invoices, bills and other similar documents.
- 7.2. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, unless otherwise required by the grant terms or the Agency pursuant to subparagraph 7.1, at any time during the Grantee's normal business hours, and as often as the State shall demand, the Grantee shall make available to the State all records pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. The Grantee shall permit the State to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, data (as that term is hereinafter defined), and other information relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "Grantee" includes all persons, natural or fictional, affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership with, the entity identified as the Grantee in block 1.3 of these provisions
8. PERSONNEL.
- 8.1. The Grantee shall, at its own expense, provide all personnel necessary to perform the Project. The Grantee warrants that all personnel engaged in the Project shall be qualified to perform such Project, and shall be properly licensed and authorized to perform such Project under all applicable laws.
- 8.2. The Grantee shall not hire, and it shall not permit any subcontractor, subgrantee, or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Project, to hire any person who has a contractual relationship with the State, or who is a State officer or employee, elected or appointed.
- 8.3. The Grant Officer shall be the representative of the State hereunder. In the event of any dispute hereunder, the interpretation of this Agreement by the Grant Officer, and his/her decision on any dispute, shall be final.
9. DATA: RETENTION OF DATA: ACCESS.
- 9.1. As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations,
- 9.2. computer programs, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, paper, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.
- 9.3. Between the Effective Date and the Completion Date the Grantee shall grant to the State, or any person designated by it, unrestricted access to all data for examination, duplication, publication, translation, sale, disposal, or for any other purpose whatsoever.
- 9.4. No data shall be subject to copyright in the United States or any other country by anyone other than the State.
- 9.5. On and after the Effective Date all data, and any property which has been received from the State or purchased with funds provided for that purpose under this Agreement, shall be the property of the State, and shall be returned to the State upon demand or upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, whichever shall first occur.
10. The State, and anyone it shall designate, shall have unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute and otherwise use, in whole or in part, all data.
11. CONDITIONAL NATURE OR AGREEMENT. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available or appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of those funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Grantee notice of such termination.
11. EVENT OF DEFAULT: REMEDIES.
- 11.1. Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Grantee shall constitute an event of default hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "Events of Default"):
- 11.1.1 Failure to perform the Project satisfactorily or on schedule; or
- 11.1.2 Failure to submit any report required hereunder; or
- 11.1.3 Failure to maintain, or permit access to, the records required hereunder; or
- 11.1.4 Failure to perform any of the other covenants and conditions of this Agreement.
- 11.2. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:
- 11.2.1 Give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely remedied, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Grantee notice of termination; and
- 11.2.2 Give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the Grant Amount which would otherwise accrue to the Grantee during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Grantee has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Grantee; and
- 11.2.3 Set off against any other obligation the State may owe to the Grantee any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and
- 11.2.4 Treat the agreement as breached and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.
12. TERMINATION.
- 12.1. In the event of any early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Project, the Grantee shall deliver to the Grant Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report (hereinafter referred to as the "Termination Report") describing in detail all Project Work performed, and the Grant Amount earned, to and including the date of termination. In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall entitle the Grantee to receive that portion of the Grant amount earned to and including the date of termination.
- 12.2. In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall in no event relieve the Grantee from any and all liability for damages sustained or incurred by the State as a result of the Grantee's breach of its obligations hereunder.
- 12.3. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, either the State or, except where notice default has been given to the Grantee hereunder, the Grantee, may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice.
- 12.4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST. No officer, member of employee of the Grantee, and no representative, officer or employee of the State of New Hampshire or of the governing body of the locality or localities in which the Project is to be performed, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or
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- approval of the undertaking or carrying out of such Project, shall participate in any decision relating to this Agreement which affects his or her personal interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he or she is directly or indirectly interested, nor shall he or she have any personal or pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.
14. GRANTEE'S RELATION TO THE STATE. In the performance of this Agreement the Grantee, its employees, and any subcontractor or subgrantee of the Grantee are in all respects independent contractors, and are neither agents nor employees of the State. Neither the Grantee nor any of its officers, employees, agents, members, subcontractors or subgrantees, shall have authority to bind the State nor are they entitled to any of the benefits, workmen's compensation or emoluments provided by the State to its employees.
15. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS. The Grantee shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the State. None of the Project Work shall be subcontracted or subgranted by the Grantee other than as set forth in Exhibit B without the prior written consent of the State.
16. INDEMNIFICATION. The Grantee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all losses suffered by the State, its officers and employees, and any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted against the State, its officers and employees, by or on behalf of any person, on account of, based on, resulting from, arising out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omissions of the Grantee or subcontractor, or subgrantee or other agent of the Grantee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant shall survive the termination of this agreement.
17. INSURANCE.
- 17.1 The Grantee shall, at its own expense, obtain and maintain in force, or shall require any subcontractor, subgrantee or assignee performing Project work to obtain and maintain in force, both for the benefit of the State, the following insurance:
- 17.1.1 Statutory workers' compensation and employees liability insurance for all employees engaged in the performance of the Project, and
- 17.1.2 General liability insurance against all claims of bodily injuries, death or property damage, in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury or death any one incident, and \$500,000 for property damage in any one incident; and
- 17.2. The policies described in subparagraph 17.1 of this paragraph shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State, and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire. Grantee shall furnish to the State, certificates of insurance for all renewal(s) of insurance required under this Agreement no later than ten (10) days prior to the expiration date of each insurance policy.
18. WAIVER OF BREACH. No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event, or any subsequent Event. No express waiver of any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of any provisions hereof. No such failure of waiver shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other default on the part of the Grantee.
19. NOTICE. Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses first above given.
20. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire, if required or by the signing State Agency.
21. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assignees. The captions and contents of the "subject" blank are used only as a matter of convenience, and are not to be considered a part of this Agreement or to be used in determining the intent of the parties hereto.
22. THIRD PARTIES. The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.
23. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating hereto.
24. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. The additional or modifying provisions set forth in Exhibit A hereto are incorporated as part of this agreement.

EXHIBIT A – SPECIAL PROVISIONS:
CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT PROGRAM
NEW HAMPSHIRE DIVISION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES

1. The Grantee agrees to provide and maintain supervision of the project by a person or persons, whose professional qualifications meet the criteria of 36 CFR 61 and which have received prior approval of the Division of Historical Resources, and to ensure that the grant-assisted work conforms to the applicable Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines. The Grantee also agrees that work performed under this Agreement shall in all respects conform to high professional standards and shall be coordinated with the Division of Historical Resources.
2. It is understood and agreed by the Grantee that costs and/or matching share associated with development of any final products which do not conform to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, or which do not meet the appropriate Secretary of the Interior's Standards, as determined by the State Historic Preservation Officer, shall not be reimbursed.
3. The Grantee understands and agrees that the project scope of work products, budget, and performance/reporting milestones, as approved by the Division of Historical Resources and specified in this Agreement, shall not be changed without prior written approval of the Division of Historical Resources.
4. Under the terms of the grant, the State of New Hampshire and the Division of Historical Resources are administratively responsible for obtaining the Grantee's compliance with all terms of the assistance, with the Historic Preservation Fund program policies and procedures.
5. The Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, and regulations including Title VI, section 504, and with the Americans with Disabilities Act. In addition to the terms detailed in this Agreement, all federal requirements governing grants and/or contracts are applicable, including Office of Management and Budget Circulars, Revised, A-87 or A-122, A-102 or A-110, and A-128(the Single Audit Act of 1984). The Grantee will submit a copy of the Single Audit for the time period of the Grant at the DHR's request. Failure to comply with this condition may affect the Contractor's eligibility to receive future grants. This includes Standard Form 424B (Rev. 7-97) Prescribed by OMB Circular A-102, incorporated as Exhibit D of this document.
6. The Grantee agrees to be solely responsible for all bills or claims for payment rendered by any sub consultants, associates, or others, and for all services and materials employed in its work, and to indemnify and save harmless the Division of Historical Resources and all of its officers, agents, employees, and servants, against all suits, claims, or liability of every name and nature arising out of or in consequence of the acts or failures to act of the Grantee and its associates, employees, or sub consultants, in the performance of the work covered by this Agreement. No portion of this Agreement shall be understood to waive the sovereign immunity of the State of New Hampshire.
7. It is specifically agreed between the parties executing this Agreement that it is not intended by any of the provisions of any part of the Agreement to create the public or any member thereof a third party beneficiary hereunder, or to authorize any one not a party to this Agreement to maintain a suit

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for personal injuries or property damage pursuant to the terms or provisions of this Agreement. The duties, obligations, and responsibilities of the parties to this Agreement with respect to third parties shall remain as imposed by law.

8. It is understood and agreed by the Grantee that the Grantee's receipt and expenditure of funds pursuant to this agreement is conditioned upon and subject to the conditions outlined in the U.S. Department of the Interior's Notice of Award for this Historic Preservation Fund Grant-In-Aid, the terms of which are hereby incorporated by reference. The Grantee agrees to fully comply with all applicable terms of the referenced Notice of Award and to neither take nor omit any action that would prevent the State from fully complying with all applicable terms of the Notice of Award.
9. The attached document, "Assurances - Non-construction Programs," as executed by the Grantee, is incorporated as Exhibit D of this document.

EXHIBIT B – SCOPE OF WORK:

1. Grantee agrees to apply the funds from this grant to the project(s) described in grantee's grant application and approved budget.
 - Grantee will hire a qualified architectural historian to prepare individual inventory forms with input from the DHR on their content, for properties in Portsmouth's regulated historic district and hold a Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program (CAMP) training event.

EXHIBIT C – PAYMENT TERMS:

1. Compensation to the Grantee for approved project work under this Agreement shall be on a reimbursable matching basis, not to exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the allowable costs and matching share incurred by the Grantee in carrying out the approved project work during the approved project period. Compensation to the Grantee for its own participation in the project shall not include profit, or other increment above cost in the nature of profit. Work is to be performed by the Grantee in conformance with the Scope of Services, as described in Exhibit B above, for federal reimbursement from the Historic Preservation Fund by and through the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources, for an amount not to exceed Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000) subject to:
 - (a) The Grantee's submission of itemized invoices, and progress reports, on a quarterly basis, in a format specified by the Division of Historical Resources;
 - (b) The Grantee's submission of a Final Project Report which contains a comparison of the projected Scope and Budget to the actual Scope and Budget; and
 - (c) The Grantee's completion of approved project work in a manner satisfactory to the Division of Historical Resources.
2. The final payment shall not be less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total compensation due the Grantee; it shall be retained by the Division of Historical Resources until all of the obligations of the Grantee pursuant to this Agreement have been completed, all necessary documentation of same

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has been submitted to and approved by the Division of Historical Resources, and all work and products accomplished under this Agreement have been accepted by the Division of Historical Resources.

3. It is expressly understood and agreed that the Grantee shall compile cost documentation in a form and manner specified by the Division of Historical Resources, and that it shall be forwarded to the Division of Historical Resources and retained by the Division for state and federal audits.
4. Invoices and progress reports shall be submitted to the Division of Historical Resources on a bi-annual basis as follows:
 - April 30, 2026: Progress Report Due
 - October 31, 2026: Progress Report Due
 - April 30, 2027: Progress Report Due
 - June 30, 2027: Project Completion
 - September 30, 2027: Final Project Report due; deadline for final payment requests
5. This contract shall commence upon execution of the contract and approval of the Governor and Executive Council, if required, with a completion date of September 30, 2027.

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EXHIBIT D— ADDITIONAL FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

OMB Approval No. 0348-0040

ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0040), Washington, DC 20503.

PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.

NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 		TITLE <i>City Manager</i>
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION <i>City of Portsmouth, NH</i>		DATE SUBMITTED MAY 27 2026

Meeting Minutes and Actions of the Portsmouth City Council
April 6, 2026, 7:00 PM
Municipal Complex, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth NH

Mayor McEachern called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

1. Non-Public Session

Councilor Moreau moved to close the Non-Public Session and seal the minutes. Second, Councilor Cook.

On a unanimous vote, motion passed.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mayor McEachern, Councilors Cook, Tabor, Blalock, Bagley, Moreau, Flynn and Hopkins.

Absent: Assistant Mayor Kelley

Mayor McEachern introduced the students participating in 2026 Student Government Day.

3. Invocation

Mayor McEachern requested that community members continue to keep our service members in our thoughts.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor McEachern introduced the Cub Scouts to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Recognitions and Volunteer Committee Reports

- a. Proclamations – Clean Water Week, Poetry Month, Public Safety Telecommunication Week, Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Mayor McEachern called for a five-minute recess and called the meeting back to order at 7:34 p.m.

- 6. **Public Comment Session** – There were eight speakers. Deborah Van Patten (Frankie the dog), Monique Shevlin (Frankie), Andrew Houldsworth (Support for School Custodial and School Cafeteria Agreements), Barbara MacMillan (Frankie), Nancy Lehoux (Frankie), Ann Mordecai (Frankie), Beth Margeson (April is Child Abuse Prevention Month), Rick Becksted (Trust)

Discussion occurred among City Council members with contributions from community members, and the Deputy City Attorney Legal regarding the topic of Frankie.

23. Prescott Park Master Plan Implementation

Councilor Cook moved to request a report back from staff on changes to Prescott Park renovations in Phase 1A of the Prescott Park Master Plan, and given these changes, how Prescott Park Arts Festival in partnership with the City, could privately fund a covered stage and any ancillary structures to serve the Festival for the long term future. Second, Councilor Tabor.

On a unanimous vote, motion passed.

24. Acceptance of Donation from Liberty Mutual for Liberty Mutual Day Volunteers

Councilor Flynn moved to accept the donations from Liberty Mutual for Liberty Mutual Day Volunteers to participate in Day of Service activities and restoration projects to be held on Friday, May 8, 2026, and Friday, May 15, 2026, at the direction of the Cemetery Committee as presented. Second, Councilor Cook.

On a unanimous vote, motion passed.

25. Acceptance of Portsmouth Certified Local Government Grant \$27,000

Councilor Cook moved to accept up to \$27,000 from the Portsmouth Certified Local Government Grant and authorize the City Manager to enter into a Grant Agreement as presented. Second, Councilor Moreau.

On a unanimous vote, motion passed.

26. City Manager's Informational Items

- FlashVote Heat Resilience Survey – City Manager Conard stated that the Planning & Sustainability Department has been studying vulnerabilities to extreme heat across the City and recently conducted a FlashVote survey to better understand how residents cope with high temperatures and the impacts they face, and identify cooling resources or policies that may be lacking.
- Master Plan Open House Reminder – City Manager Conard reminded the public that the Master Plan Open House will take place on April 22nd at 6:00 p.m. at the Community Campus.

27. Adjournment

At 9:19 p.m. Councilor Moreau moved to adjourn the meeting. Second, Councilor Blalock.

On a unanimous vote, motion passed.

Prepared by:

June H. Philbrook, CNHDMC

Submitted to City Council by:


Katelyn Griggs

Acting City Clerk

Approved by the City Council

Date: May 4, 2026

The Portsmouth City Council meeting of April 6, 2026, can be viewed in its entirety on the City of Portsmouth You Tube Channel.

Municipality Certification of Authority

I, Sally Kellar (Name), hereby certify/attest that I am duly elected Clerk/Secretary of Portsmouth (Name of Municipality), New Hampshire. I hereby certify the following is a true copy of the resolution adopted during a meeting of the Municipality Officers, duly called and held on April 6, 20 26 at which a quorum of the Municipality Officers were present and voting.

RESOLVED: That Karen Conrad (Name and Title of Official Signing the Agreement) is duly authorized to enter into contracts or agreements on behalf of Portsmouth (Name of Municipality) with the State of New Hampshire, acting by and through the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, and is further authorized to execute any documents on behalf of this Municipality which may be in his/her judgement desirable or necessary to effect the purpose of this resolution.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution has not been amended or repealed and remains in full force and effect. I further certify that it is understood that the State of New Hampshire will rely on this certificate as evidence that the person listed above currently occupies the position indicated and that they have full authority to bind the Municipality. This authority **remains valid for thirty (30) days** from the date of this certificate.

DATED: 05/27/2026

ATTEST: Sally Kellar
(Secretary/Clerk Signature Completing this Certificate)

CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex³) is organized under the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 5-B, Pooled Risk Management Programs. In accordance with those statutes, its Trust Agreement and bylaws, Primex³ is authorized to provide pooled risk management programs established for the benefit of political subdivisions in the State of New Hampshire.

Each member of Primex³ is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex³ may extend the same coverage to non-members. However, any coverage extended to a non-member is subject to all of the terms, conditions, exclusions, amendments, rules, policies and procedures that are applicable to the members of Primex³, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex³ Board of Trustees. The Additional Covered Party's per occurrence limit shall be deemed included in the Member's per occurrence limit, and therefore shall reduce the Member's limit of liability as set forth by the Coverage Documents and Declarations. The limit shown may have been reduced by claims paid on behalf of the member. General Liability coverage is limited to Coverage A (Personal Injury Liability) and Coverage B (Property Damage Liability) only, Coverage's C (Public Officials Errors and Omissions), D (Unfair Employment Practices), E (Employee Benefit Liability) and F (Educator's Legal Liability Claims-Made Coverage) are excluded from this provision of coverage.

The below named entity is a member in good standing of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange. The coverage provided may, however, be revised at any time by the actions of Primex³. As of the date this certificate is issued, the information set out below accurately reflects the categories of coverage established for the current coverage year.

This Certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. This certificate does not amend, extend, or alter the coverage afforded by the coverage categories listed below.

Participating Member: City of Portsmouth One Junkins Avenue Portsmouth, NH 03801		Member Number: 275	Company Affording Coverage: NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex ³ PO Box 23 Hooksett, NH 03106-9716	
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Type of Coverage	Effective Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Limits - NH Statutory Limits May Apply, If Not:	
☒ General Liability (Occurrence Form) Professional Liability (describe) ☐ Claims Made ☐ Occurrence	7/1/2025	7/1/2026	Each Occurrence	\$ 2,000,000
	7/1/2026	7/1/2027	General Aggregate	\$ 10,000,000
			Fire Damage (Any one fire)	
			Med Exp (Any one person)	
☐ Automobile Liability Deductible Comp and Coll: \$1,000 ☐ Any auto			Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) Aggregate	
☒ Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability	7/1/2025	7/1/2026	☒ Statutory	
	7/1/2026	7/1/2027	Each Accident	\$2,000,000
			Disease – Each Employee	\$2,000,000
			Disease – Policy Limit	
☐ Property (Special Risk includes Fire and Theft)			Blanket Limit, Replacement Cost (unless otherwise stated)	

Description: Proof of Primex Member coverage only.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER:	Additional Covered Party	Loss Payee	Primex³ – NH Public Risk Management Exchange
NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources 172 Pembroke Road Concord, NH 03301			By: <i>Mary Beth Purcell</i>
			Date: 5/28/2026 mpurcell@nhprimex.org
			Please direct inquiries to: Primex³ Claims/Coverage Services 603-225-2841 phone 603-228-3833 fax