7:15 PM Aldermanic Chamber

or immediately following Special Board of Aldermen

1. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. COMMUNICATIONS

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

R-26-053
Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.

AMENDING THE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR ROAD AND HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES BY INCREASING THE ANNUAL FUNDING AMOUNT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES FROM $1,000,000 TO $2,000,000

R-26-055
Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderwoman Vengerflutta Smith
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman-at-Large Amber Morgan
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF $9,100 FROM DEPARTMENT 123 "ASSESSING", ACCOUNT 53142 "CONSULTING SERVICES AND $76,000 FROM DEPARTMENT 162 "STREET LIGHTING", ACCOUNT 54100 "ELECTRICITY" FOR A TOTAL OF $85,100 INTO DEPARTMENT 159 "HYDRANTS – FIRE PROTECTION", ACCOUNT 54835 "HYDRANT FEES"

R-26-056
Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Richard A. Dowd

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF $10,500 FROM DEPARTMENT 157 "CITYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS", ACCOUNT 70150 "CONTINGENCY NEGOTIATIONS" TO DEPARTMENT 157 "CITYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS", ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION 51 "SALARIES AND WAGES"

6. NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCES

7. TABLED IN COMMITTEE

8. GENERAL DISCUSSION

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

10. REMARKS BY THE ALDERMEN

11. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR ROAD AND HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES BY INCREASING THE ANNUAL FUNDING AMOUNT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES FROM $1,000,000 TO $2,000,000

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

WHEREAS, R-14-033 amended, passed on July 22, 2014, established a Road and Highway Special Revenue Fund, separate from the general fund, which restricts 100% of revenues from block grants from the state highway fund and $700,000 annually of revenues from motor vehicle permit fees collected under RSA 261:165 to road and highway expenditures;

WHEREAS, R-15-169, passed on October 27, 2015, increased the amount of dedicated annual revenue from motor vehicle permit fees collected under RSA 261:165 going into the fund from $700,000 to $1,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the city now wants to increase the amount of dedicated annual revenue from motor vehicle permit fees collected under RSA 261:165 going into the fund from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua* that the City of Nashua ordains that pursuant to NH RSA 47:1-b and c and 31:95-c and d, the majority of the board of aldermen answer "yes" to the following question:

> "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 47:1-b and 31:95-c to restrict one hundred percent (100%) of revenues from block grants from the state highway fund and two million dollars ($2,000,000) annually of revenues from motor vehicle permit fees collected under RSA 261:165 to expenditures for the purpose of road and highway expenditures? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Special Road and Highway Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in such fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of the revenue."

And thus, starting in Fiscal Year 2027, increase the amount of revenue from motor vehicle permit fees collected under RSA 261:165 going into the Special Road and Highway Revenue Fund.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

RESOLUTION: **R-26-053**

PURPOSE: **Amending the special revenue fund for road and highway expenditures by increasing the annual funding amount from motor vehicle permit fees from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000**

SPONSOR(S): **Mayor Jim Donchess**

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: **Budget Review Committee**

FISCAL NOTE: Effective FY27, this resolution increases the special revenue funding source for road and highway expenditures such as street paving by an amount of $1,000,000 annually and reduces general fund revenue by a like amount.

ANALYSIS

The state gives municipalities the ability to restrict revenues from a specific source to expenditures for specific purposes in RSA 47:1-b and c (cities) and 31:95-c and d (towns). Special revenue funds are limited to municipal activities funded primarily through user fees. R-14-033, passed on July 22, 2014, created a special revenue fund to specifically set aside and use 100% of State Highway Fund Block Grants and $700,000 of motor vehicle permit fees annually towards road and highway expenditures. R-15-169, passed on October 27, 2015, increased the amount of annual motor vehicle permit fees going into the fund to $1,000,000. RSA 31:95-c, II (a) provides for this specific type of special revenue fund. It states that a special revenue fund may be established to "[p]rovide special highway funds from appropriate revenues, such as revenues from block grants from the state highway fund, motor vehicle permit fees collected under RSA 261:165," etc. Restricted revenues can be limited by a fractional or dollar amount. RSA 31:95-d, I (c). "Appropriations from the special highway fund shall be used for highway expenditures". RSA 31:95-c, II (a). RSA 44:2 states that all provisions of statutes…relating to towns, shall be understood to apply to cities". After such a special revenue fund is created, the city may rescind or amend its action at a later date, in a similar manner. RSA 47:1-c. Effective FY27, this legislation would increase the annual amount of motor vehicle permit fees going into the fund from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000.

Special revenue funds require an annual appropriation and will be included in the annual municipal budget.

State law requires the board of aldermen to hold a public hearing on this legislation at least 15 days but not more than 30 days before this legislation is to be voted on. Notice of the public hearing must be posted in at least 2 public places in the city and published in a newspaper of general circulation at least 7 days before the hearing. NH RSA 47:1-c, I (b).

RESOLUTION **R-26-053**

Approved as to content: **Financial Services Division**

By: /s/ Dawn K. Enwright

Approved as to form: **Office of Corporation Counsel**

By: Dorothy Clarke

Date: 22 July 2026

R-26-055

RESOLUTION

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF $9,100 FROM DEPARTMENT 123 “ASSESSING”, ACCOUNT 53142 “CONSULTING SERVICES AND $76,000 FROM DEPARTMENT 162 “STREET LIGHTING”, ACCOUNT 54100 “ELECTRICITY” FOR A TOTAL OF $85,100 INTO DEPARTMENT 159 “HYDRANTS – FIRE PROTECTION”, ACCOUNT 54835 “HYDRANT FEES”

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

RESOLVED *by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua* that $9,100 be transferred from Department 123 “Assessing”, Account 53142 “Consulting Services” and $76,000 be transferred from Department 162 “Street Lighting”, Account 54100 “Electricity” for a total of $85,100 into Department 159 “Hydrants – Fire Protection”, Account 54835 “Hydrant Fees” for the purpose of funding retrospective rate adjustments and capital recoupment costs from Pennichuck Water Works.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

RESOLUTION: R-26-055

PURPOSE: Relative to the transfer of $9,100 from Department 123 "Assessing", Account 53142 "Consulting Services" and $76,000 from Department 162 "Street Lighting", Account 54100 "Electricity" for a total of $85,100 into Department 159 "Hydrants – Fire Protection", Account 54835 "Hydrant Fees"

SPONSOR(S): Mayor Jim Donchess

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Budget Review Committee

FISCAL NOTE: Reduces FY2026 General Fund surplus.

ANALYSIS

This legislation authorizes the transfer of $85,100 from Assessing – Consulting Services ($9,100) and Street Lighting – Electricity ($76,000) into Hydrant Fees for the purpose of funding retrospective rate adjustments and capital recoupment costs from Pennichuck Water Works in excess of the original FY2026 Budget appropriation.

Charter Sec. 53 permits the Board of Aldermen to transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance or any portion thereof from one department, fund or agency to another. NRO § 5-130, H provides that "when proposed legislation to transfer or reappropriate a particular appropriation or portion thereof has had its first reading, such funds shall not be expended or transferred while the legislation is pending".

Approved as to account structure, numbers, and amount:

Financial Services Division

By: /s/ Dawn K. Enwright

Approved as to form:

Office of Corporation Counsel

By: Dorothy Clarke

Date: 30 July 2026

R-26-056

RESOLUTION

RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF $10,500 FROM DEPARTMENT 157 “CITYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS”, ACCOUNT 70150 “CONTINGENCY NEGOTIATIONS” TO DEPARTMENT 157 “CITYWIDE COMMUNICATIONS”, ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION 51 “SALARIES AND WAGES”

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

RESOLVED *by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua* that $10,500 be transferred from Department 157 “Citywide Communications”, Account 70150 “Contingency Negotiations” into Department 157 “Citywide Communications”, Accounting Classification 51 “Salaries and Wages” for the purpose of meeting salary needs determined by the passing of new union contracts.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

RESOLUTION: R-26-056

PURPOSE: Relative to the transfer of $10,500 from Department 157 "Citywide Communications", Account 70150 "Contingency Negotiations" to Department 157 "Citywide Communications", Accounting Classification 51 "Salaries and Wages"

SPONSOR(S): Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Budget Review Committee

FISCAL NOTE: Reduces amount available in department's contingency negotiations by $10,500 zeroing out the budget line item in FY27 to support the new contracts.

ANALYSIS

This resolution authorizes the transfer of $10,500 from Fiscal Year 2027 Citywide Communications, Contingency Negotiations into Citywide Communications, Salaries and Wages for the purpose of meeting salary needs from recently passed union contracts.

Charter Sec. 53 permits the Board of Aldermen to transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance or any portion from one department, fund or agency to another. NRO 5-130, H provides that "when proposed legislation to transfer or re-appropriate a particular appropriation or purpose thereof has had its first reading, such funds shall not be expended or transferred while the legislation is pending".

Approved as to account structure, numbers and amount: **Financial Services Division**

By: /s/ Dawn K. Enwright

Approved as to form: **Office of Corporation Counsel**

By: Dorothy Clarke

Date: 30 July 2026