



## TOWN OF EAST LONGMEADOW

Town Manager's Report

September 13, 2022

Good evening:

Congratulations and thanks to our Town Clerk, Jeanne Quaglietti and her staff for their excellent work conducting the Town's most recent election on September 6, 2022. Many other Town Departments contribute time and effort to these proceedings under the careful coordination of the Clerk's office. Their efforts are a tangible demonstration of democracy in action, and my office is very grateful for their consistent performance of these important responsibilities.

I have several progress items to report with respect to the various pending matters in Town.

First, House bill #5171 regarding the Town's removal of the Police Department from Civil Service has been referred to the Joint Committee on Public Service. A hearing date for written testimony was set for August 15, 2022. No follow-up information is available as of this date but I am waiting for a response from Rep. Puppolo's office in this regard.

An assessment center for evaluation of candidates for the Police Lieutenant position is scheduled for September 17, 2022 and interviews of the candidates by a local panel consisting of Chief Williams, another local Police Chief and myself and will take place on September 19, 2022.

Requests for Proposals for Lease of office space and for Acquisition (by purchase) of suitable office space for Town operations were submitted for publication in the Central Register to be advertised in compliance with M.G.L. c. 30B on September 14, 2022. These RFPs will also be available on the website on September 14, 2022. Bids will be accepted until October 25, 2022 at 2 p.m. With regard to 70 Maple Street, there is a Motion pending before you tonight regarding a determination of uniqueness which will exempt the Town from advertising for this property. The Order, (copy attached) if passed, must be published in the Central Register 30 days prior to execution of a purchase & sale agreement. An inspection of the property will be scheduled as soon as possible.

Several new employees have begun their service with Town Departments this month, including DPW, HR, Finance and the Town Clerk's office. Their arrival and the planning necessary for suitable work accommodations is what prompted the aforementioned RFP's. It is imperative that we provide professional workspace for our valued employees.

The auditors have completed their annual on-site examination of the Town's financial operations. Their report will inform and facilitate the Town's ability to complete the required annual submissions to the Dept. of Revenue. More detail on this subject is available from the Finance Director in his report.

The ADA Sidewalk Improvement Project for East Longmeadow has been awarded to JL Construction Corp. of West Springfield, Ma. in the amount of \$169,280.00. This project is funded primarily by the transferred balance of our 2018 CDBG. The attached spreadsheet shows the locations of the work.

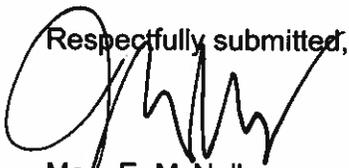
The Town has made application for a Parc grant to assist in financing of Heritage Park redevelopment. A portion of the property (approximately 19 of the total 61 acres) is dedicated "for school purposes" by virtue of a Special Town Meeting vote in November, 1958. We have been advised that eligibility for Parc grant funding requires that the Town control the entire parcel so discussions are underway to put this matter before the School Committee in the near future for first steps to resolve this issue.

Negotiations have begun with the Town's Fire Department Union as of September 8, 2022. The next meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2022.

In furtherance of the Town's High School project, a meeting of the School Building Committee (SBC) is scheduled for Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 4 p.m. at the Central Office Conference Room. The design options submitted by the SBC to the MSBA in its Preliminary Design Program report are being discussed in anticipation of a public presentation at the Community meeting on the following Thursday, September 21, 2022 at 6 p.m. at the Senior Center. Attendance by members of the Council is recommended if your schedules allow.

The Health Department has scheduled drive through flu vaccine clinics on October 4 at the Senior Center from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and October 5 at the Fire Department from 1-6 p.m. More specific information will be available on the website.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary E. McNally', written over the text 'Respectfully submitted,'.

Mary E. McNally  
Town Manager



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60 CENTER SQUARE  
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**Town of East Longmeadow Town Council Order**

**Declaration Regarding the Unique Qualities and Location of 70 Maple Street East Longmeadow Ma for Purposes of Acquisition**

WHEREAS, R.E. Phelon Co. Inc., is the owner of 70 Maple Street East Longmeadow, Ma.;

WHEREAS, 70 Maple St. is a Brownfield site requiring remediation and removal of contaminated soil;

WHEREAS, on the site is an abandoned building which has been vacant since 2014;

WHEREAS, acquisition of this site is consistent with the Town's plans for redevelopment and improvement to this portion of the Maple Street corridor;

WHEREAS, M.G.L. c. 30B, sec. 16(e)(2) provides that the Town may acquire real property without issuing an RFP if "the governmental body determines in writing that advertising will not benefit the governmental body's interest because of the unique qualities or location of the property needed" and that such determination must be published in the Central Register not less than 30 days before the Town executes a binding agreement;

And WHEREAS, this Order is solely for the purpose of meeting requirements of M.G.L. c.30B, section 16(e)(2) and is not for the purpose of appropriating funding for or approving the proposed acquisition, which will be considered separately.

NOW THEREFORE, it is ORDERED that:

In accordance with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 30B, section 16(e)(2), it is hereby determined that 70 Maple Street East Longmeadow, Ma. is a real property asset in the Town that is unique in its location and qualities, in that, among other things, it is a long vacant, contaminated, dilapidated building on a major central route in Town that is uniquely suitable for development into a use and manner that is consistent with the Town's needs as identified in the Master Plan, the property abuts the Town's rail/bike trail and is a potential public parking area for that recreational asset and aligns with the Town's contemplated redevelopment plans, and as such, advertising for the purchase of such real property will not benefit the Town.

The proposed purchase price is Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) with forgiveness of past due real estate taxes of a like amount.

Town of East Longmeadow  
By:

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## WHEELCHAIR RAMP LOCATION AND REPAIR TYPE

Ramp ID	Street Where Crosswalk is Located	Nearest Side Street	WCR Repair Type	Comments
1	Audubon St	N. Main St	No Work Proposed	Outside of Town Limits, not in this project
2	Audubon St	N. Main St	5	Will require coordination with the adjacent property owner
3	N. Main St	Audubon St	4	
4	Wood Ave	N. Main	1	
5	N. Main St	Wood Ave	1	
6	N. Main St	Rosemount St	5	
7	N. Main St	Rosemount St.	3	
8	Rosemount St.	N. Main St.	1	
9	Rosemount St.	N. Main St	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
10	Thompson St.	N. Main St.	1	
11	Thompson St.	N. Main St.	1	
12	Granby St.	N. Main St.	1	
13	Granby St.	N. Main St.	1	
14	Van Dyke Rd.	N. Main St.	1	
15	Van Dyke Rd.	N. Main St.	1	
16	Braeburn Rd	N. Main St.	1	
17	Braeburn Rd	N. Main St.	1	
18	N. Main St.	Dorset St.	4	
19	N. Main St	Dorset St.	3	
20	Gerrard Ave	N. Main St	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
21	Gerrard Ave	N. Main St	1	
22	Londergan Place	N. Main St	1	
23	Londergan Place	N. Main St	1	
24	Lombard Ave	N. Main St	1	
25	Lombard Ave	N. Main St	1	
26	N. Main St	Lombard Ave	4	
27	N. Main St	Lombard Ave	4	
28	Lasalle St	N. Main St	2	No reciprocal ramps
29	Dearborn St	Gates Ave	3	No reciprocal ramps
30	Melwood Ave	Westwood Ave	1	No reciprocal ramps
31	Palm St	Westwood Ave	Town to Install ADA Panel	Not in this project
32	Palm St	Westwood Ave	Town to Install ADA Panel	Not in this project
33	Veranda Ave	Westwood Ave	1	
34	Veranda Ave	Westwood Ave	1	
35	Lester St	Mapleshade Ave	1	
36	Lester St	Mapleshade Ave	1	

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37	Merriam St	Mapleshade Ave	Town to Install ADA Panel	Not in this project
38	Merriam St	Mapleshade Ave	1	
39	Day Ave	Mapleshade Ave	3	No reciprocal ramps
40	Mapleshade Ave	Melody Lane	4	
41	Melody Lane	Mapleshade Ave	3	
42	Melody Lane	Mapleshade Ave	5	
43	Calkins Ave	N. Main St	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
44	Calkins Ave	N. Main St	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
45	Somers Rd	Mountain View School	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
46	Mountain View School	Hampden Rd	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
47	Mountain View School	Hampden Rd	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
48	Hampden Rd	Mountain View School	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
49	Hampden Rd	Anna Marie Ln	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
50	Hampden Rd	Stonehill Rd	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
51	Silver Fox Lane	Hampden Rd	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
52	Shelby Lane	Hampden Rd	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
53	Shelby Lane	Hampden Rd	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
54	Fraser Rd	Hampden Rd	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
55	Fraser Dr	Hampden Rd	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
56	Hampden Rd	Parker St	No Work Proposed	Not in this project
57	Hampden Rd	Parker St	No Work Proposed	Not in this project

**Comments:**

1. Wheelchair Ramp (WCR) repair types indicate the corresponding detail for the general approach to ramp reconstruction and estimated quantities. The general layout, widths, and slopes shall be used to layout each WCR in the field. Each ramp will require adjustments in the
2. WCR to be laid out by the Contractor and approved by the Engineer prior to placing cement concrete.