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# City of Fitchburg Massachusetts 01420

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Ward 6 – Derrick J. Cruz

A meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Councilor Derrick Cruz on Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 6:01 PM in the Legislative Building, 700 Main Street, Fitchburg, MA.

Committee Members present: Councilors Marisa Fleming, Elizabeth Walsh, and Anthony Zarrella.

Committee Members absent: Paul Beauchemin

Others Present: Liz Murphy, Executive Director of Community Development.

008-26 ORDER: the City of Fitchburg hereby transfers TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000) from the Community Development Block Grant Housing Revolving Fund to the CDBG Year 51 Demolition activity account.

Discussion: Director Murphy stated that the purpose of transferring these housing program funds is to demolish the structure at 104 Daniels Street, which is being sold to MOC.

Action: (4-0) Be Adopted.

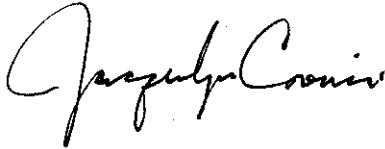
009-26        ORDER:        the City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of Massachusetts Audubon Society grant funds in the approximate amount of SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$71,550) to fulfill the city's matching obligation for a conservation restriction at 71 Bennett Road.

Discussion: Director Murphy informed the councilors that the Conservation Commission has been working for a long time with the owners of the 141-acre property to negotiate a conservation restriction. Grant program funding has been awarded by the federal Forest Legacy Program which requires a match. The required match is being contributed by the Massachusetts Audubon Society Catalyst Fund.

Action: (4-0) Be Adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jacquelyn Cronin".

Jacquelyn Cronin, Clerk