

**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CAPITAL PROJECTS MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT  
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE  
MAYOR**

Gerald R. Boyle  
Director

March 23, 2010

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone  
Executive Office  
City Hall  
93 Highland Avenue  
Somerville, MA 02143

RE: Appropriation of funds for East Somerville Community School  
Independent Cost Estimator

Dear Mayor Curtatone,

Pursuant to 963 CMR 2.00, the Massachusetts School Building Authority's regulations for application to their School Building Grant Program, the City will be required to verify the Maguire Group's periodic construction costs estimates with independent cost estimates developed by the City. The Capital Projects Management Department would like to request an appropriation in the amount of \$50,000.00 to provide funding for a professional construction cost estimating firm to provide such independent estimates. This cost is an eligible reimbursable expense.

The Capital Projects Management Department has been working with the Purchasing Department to develop a Request for Proposal for these services. Responses to this RFP are due Friday, June 25, 2010. After a brief period of evaluation to determine the most qualified respondent, the City will negotiate the specific fee for these services, which are estimated at \$50,000.00.

Funds for this authorization are available from the ESCS insurance settlement fund.

Sincerely,

Gerald R. Boyle  
Director