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COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE CHANGE OF SCOPE RECOMMENDATION FOR FY15 AWARD FOR CITY HALL REHABILITATION, CAPITAL PROJECTS DIVISION

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In FY15, the Community Preservation Committee recommended, and the then Board of Aldermen approved, a \$200,000 award of Community Preservation Act funds for the rehabilitation of City Hall. The design was intended to include the restoration of exterior building elements, upgrade of mechanical systems, and upgrade of life safety and handicapped accessibility. On June 22, 2019, the Community Preservation Committee recommended amending the scope of this project to support the conceptual design of the rehabilitation of City Hall as well as the 1895 Building, which is also historically significant. The City of Somerville Capital Projects Division has requested an additional \$2,000,000 for owner's project manager professional services as well as design, and engineering services to support the renovation of the 1895 Building, City Hall and the Edgerly School, which is under consideration by the City Council. The CPA funds would contribute conceptual design funding to this project and would only be used for the 1895 Building and City Hall.

ELIGIBILITY

Historic resources: This project will rehabilitate two historic buildings. City Hall is a local historic district and the 1895 Building has been determined to be historically significant by the Somerville Historic Preservation Commission and the Massachusetts Historic Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

On June 22, 2019 by a vote of 8-0 the Community Preservation Committee recommended changing the scope of the FY15 funding award for the rehabilitation of City Hall to be amended to support the conceptual design for the rehabilitation of City Hall and additionally the 1895 Building for the overall purposes summarized in this document.

Project Budget

Recommended funding amount:

Expenses	Amount
Study	\$
Soft costs (Owners Project Manager and Conceptual Design)	\$2,200,000
Construction	\$
Total	\$2,200,000
Sources	
CPA funding awarded	\$200,000
Other sources (requested from City Council)	\$2,000,000
Total	\$2,200,000

ALIGNMENT WITH COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PLAN

The Community Preservation Committee's Community Preservation Plans have prioritized rehabilitating buildings that address crucial, longstanding needs in Somerville's historic landmarks and properties.

FUNDING CONDITIONS

1. Upon commencement of the Project and as appropriate, the City agrees to a sign stating that the Project was funded through the City of Somerville's Community Preservation Act program.

The full proposal is available at:

https://www.somervillema.gov/sites/default/files/City%20Hall_with%20reports.pdf