

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE



COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR Henry Hansen Park FY24 Construction

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Somerville Public Space and Urban Forestry Division (PSUF) is seeking additional funding for construction for the renovation of Henry Hansen Park, a small park established in 2004 to honor and memorialize a Somerville war veteran. This project will expand the budget available to construct the improvements envisioned in a CPA-funded design which was previously awarded CPA funds for construction in FY23. The project will improve a park which is currently in poor condition, providing greater street access, handicapped accessibility, new seating, green spaces and plantings, a water bottle filler, and a historic memorial plaza space that incorporates educational elements.

ELIGIBILITY

OpenSpace/Recreational Land: This project would rehabilitate recreational land and provide new amenities.

RECOMMENDATION

On July 26, 2023 by a vote of 5-2, the Community Preservation Committee recommended approval to City Council that PSUF be awarded \$411,776 of Community Preservation Act funds for construction of the improvements to Henry Hansen Park, as described in their FY23 funding application from the following account:

Category: Open Space/Recreation	Recommended Funding Source	Amount
Henry Hansen Park FY24 Construction	Open Space Reserve	\$411,776
	Total	\$411,776

FUNDING CONDITIONS

- 1. The CPA-funded portion of the project must be initiated within three years unless extension is granted by the CPC.
- 2. CPA funds will be used only for CPA eligible expenses.
- 3. The City of Somerville will install a permanent sign noting CPA funding at the completion of the project and a temporary sign during construction.
- 4. Unspent funds will be returned to the CPA fund.

DOCUMENTATION

- FY24 Off-Cycle Funding Request
- FY 23 Application