

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE



COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR Somerville Museum FY24 Storage Renovation Increased Funds

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Somerville Museum requests additional funds to close a budget gap for the CPA-funded Access for All and Collections Storage Renovation projects. As the project nears completion, additional change-orders and an unforeseen requirement to restore basement-level windows have resulted in further increases in the cost of renovating the museum's storage area, beyond previous CPA grants and the funding they have been able to raise from other sources. The Somerville Museum has requested additional CPA funds to complete the phase of building renovations that were previously awarded a total of \$257,352 of CPA funds in FY22.

ELIGIBILITY

Historic Resources: This project would rehabilitate a historic building, enabling it to be used for its intended purpose.

RECOMMENDATION

On July 26, 2023 by a vote of 7-0, the Community Preservation Committee recommended approval to City Council that PSUF be awarded \$98,053 of Community Preservation Act funds for renovation of the Somerville Museum, as described in their FY22 funding application from the following account:

Category: Historic Preservation	Recommended Funding Source	Amount
Somerville Museum FY24 Storage	Historic Preservation Reserve	\$98,053
Renovation Increased Funds	Total	\$98,053

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 22 Application
- FY22 Off-Cycle Application