



10.1

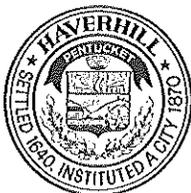
DOCUMENT

CITY OF HAVERHILL

In Municipal Council

ORDERED:

That the sum of **\$34,623.00** be transferred from the Capital Acct – *Rails Trails* to new Capital Acct – *Backup Generator-Highway Building*.



JAMES J. FIORENTINI
MAYOR

CITY OF HAVERHILL
MASSACHUSETTS

CITY HALL, ROOM 100
FOUR SUMMER STREET
HAVERHILL, MA 01830
PHONE 978-374-2300
FAX 978-373-7544
WWW.CI.HAVERHILL.MA.US

February 1, 2012

City Council President John A. Michitson
& Members of the City Council

RE: Transfer Order

Dear Council President and Members of the City Council:

Enclosed, please find a transfer order to transfer \$34,623 from the Capital Account - *Rail Trails* to a new Capital Account - *Backup Generator- Highway Building*.

The City Council will recall that several weeks ago we appropriated \$65,000 in order to purchase an entryway to the new rail trail in Bradford. I indicated to you at the time that I was hopeful and confident that this money would never be needed but I wanted it as a backup.

As I thought would happen, we did not need the \$65,000. The MBTA is going to buy that property. We are working on an agreement with them which, hopefully, will give us access to the rail trail at no cost to the taxpayers of Haverhill. I thank the Council for making this appropriation which made our bargaining position much stronger.

This money came from the capital account. It is the first year in several years that we have had money available for capital expenditures.

I'm now requesting that \$34,623 of the money set aside from the rail trail account be used to purchase a new backup generator for the Highway Department building. Of those funds, \$24,623 is for the actual generator and \$10,000 is an estimate on the electrical work that will be required to install it.

Twice in the past few years large storms have knocked out the power to the Highway Department building. This has caused major problems for the City. When the power goes out our telephone service goes out with it. Fortunately, we have not lost power on an extremely cold day or we could have other much more severe problems.

It is Mr. Stankovich's recommendation and mine that we have a backup generator for the Highway Department building. This backup generator will allow the Highway Department to function in the event of a storm which knocks out power.

I recommend that the remaining funds be transferred back to the capital account.

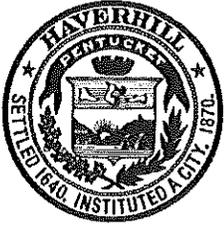
Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

James J. Fiorentini, Mayor

JJF/lk

Encl.



Haverhill

Department of Public Works

500 Primrose Street

Haverhill, MA 01830

Phone: 978-374-2360

Fax: 978-374-2362

www.ci.haverhill.ma.us

Michael K. Stankovich
Director of Public Works
mstankovich@cityofhaverhill.com

Date: February 2, 2012
To: Mayor James J. Fiorentini
From: Michael K. Stankovich, Director of Public Works
Re: Back up power Generator – Highway Dept. Facility

Michael K. Stankovich

Background:

As you are aware the Highway Dept. facility on Primrose Street has lost electrical power on three different occasions over the past two years due to severe snow and ice storms which had occurred in the area. The duration of electrical power outages have ranged from one day to three and half days. During that time, the facility did not have any heat, lights, telephone, or computer access. As the City Department that residents, businesses and others look to provide emergency services during severe weather events, it is crucial that this facility be operable at all times.

We consulted with the City's electrical contractor to determine our back up facility power requirements which included: lighting, heating, telephones, computers and equipment needed to perform fleet maintenance services. This is especially important during the winter months as the lack of heat could result in damaged water pipes and the building being severely damaged. Based on this review, it was recommended that a 100KW generator be specified, and that it be three-phased to handle all of the electrical loads for the Highway/Admin/Fleet Services/Fire Dept. maint facility.

Recommendation:

A generator bid specification was developed and requests for bids were advertised. The Purchasing Department received a total of 6 bids with the lowest responsible bid of \$ 24,623.00 from Power Products, Inc. Plus, there will be about \$ 10,000 worth of interior building electrical wiring work that will need to be done to enable the Highway facility to hook up to the new backup generator. Thus, the total funding request for this project is for \$ 34,623.00.