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TO: All Fifth District Cities and Towns
FROM: Executive Councilor David K. Wheeler
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The Governor and Executive Council met on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, in Concord, NH and considered an agenda of approximately 82 items.

The next scheduled Governor and Executive Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in Concord, NH.

All meetings of the Governor and Executive Council are open to the public.

The following Authorized items might be of interest to District Five constituents that are highlighted in bold and italicized.

CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

#1 ***MOP 150, I, B (1): Expenditure Approvals***

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Office of the Commissioner

#A. Authorized to enter Danijela Spasic Korasic into an educational tuition agreement with Granite State College, Concord, NH, to participate in Change Management & Communication, during the period of February 14, 2022 through March 25, 2022, and to pay said costs in the amount of $1,386. **20% Federal, 80% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Office of the Commissioner

#B. Authorized to enter Caitlin Cormier into an educational tuition agreement with the University of NH, Durham, NH, to participate in Human Behavior and Social Environment; and Social Welfare Policy, during the January 18, 2022 through March 11, 2022, and to pay said costs in the amount of $3,000. **20% Federal, 80% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#C. Authorized to pay the National Association of State Technology Directors, Lexington, KY, the amount of $4,500 for the Fiscal Year 2022 membership dues. Effective April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023. **100% Other Funds (The Agency Class 027 used to reimburse DoIT is 40% General, 60% Other). VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

#D. Authorized the Division of Travel and Tourism Development to renew a membership with the US Travel Association, Washington, DC, in the amount of $7,700. Effective February 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **100% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#E. Authorized to pay calendar year 2022 membership dues to the American Water Works Association, Denver, CO, in the amount of $1,833. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#F. Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to continue membership and participation with the E-ZPass Interagency Group, New York, NY, by paying annual membership dues in the amount of $25,000 for calendar year 2022. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Turnpike Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#2 ***MOP 150, I, B (2): Approval of Acceptances***

NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

#A. Authorized to accept a donation of a 35-foot safe boat from Mr. George Wells valued at approximately $1,500,000. This safe boat, if approved, would be provided to the Law Enforcement Division and be permanently assigned to the coastline of the state. **VOTE: 5-0**

OFFICE OF THE CHILD ADVOCATE

#B. Authorized to accept a gift in the amount not to exceed $24,000 from Casey Family Programs, Seattle Washington, to continue to provide the services of Collaborative Safety LLC, Nashville, TN, which include System Learning Review Technical Assistance, training and ongoing fidelity, fidelity case reviews, and Systemic Critical Incident Review Management System. **VOTE: 5-0**

#3 ***MOP 150, I, B (3): Reports and Findings***

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#A. Authorized to accept and place on file the Report and Findings of Councilor Theodore Gatsas with regard to a certain project in participation with Saint Anselm College, Goffstown, NH. **VOTE: 5-0**

#4 ***MOP 150, I, B (4): Nominations, Confirmations and Appointments***

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#A. Authorized the nomination of Captain Joshua A. Stewart, North Berwick, ME, for promotion to the rank of Major in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this promotion in the NH Air National Guard. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#B. Authorized the nomination of Allen Aldenberg, Manchester, NH, for appointment to the rank of Colonel in the NH Army National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for appointment in the NH Army National Guard. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#C. Authorized the nomination of Major Casey K. Swift, Maryville, WA, for appointment to the rank of Major in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for appointment in the NH Air National Guard. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#D. Authorized the nomination of Davis K. Ulricson, Ashland, NH, for appointment to the rank of Colonel, NH Army National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for appointment in the NH Army National Guard. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#E. Authorized the nomination of Major David L. Whitney, Hampton, NH, for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this promotion in the NH Air National Guard. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#F. Authorized the nomination of Major Michael C. Zeleski, Honolulu, HI, for appointment to the rank of Major, NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for appointment in this grade in the NH Air National Guard. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#G. Authorized to appoint Stacie M. Moeser as an Assistant Attorney General at a salary level of $84,000. Effective upon G&C approval or January 14, 2022, whichever is later. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#H. Authorized to reappoint Jeffery A. Strelzin as an Assistant Attorney General at a salary level of $120,000. Effective upon G&C approval through December 29, 2026. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#I. Authorized to designate John M. Lannon as an Investigator at a salary level of $80,186.08, LG BB, Step 7. Effective upon G&C approval or January 28, 2022, whichever is later through August 4, 2022. **VOTE: 5-0**

#5 ***MOP 150, I, B (5): Other Items*** - NONE

REGULAR AGENDA

BUSINESS FINANCE AUTHORITY

#6 ***Authorized to hold a Public Hearing with respect to the amended Resolution entitled "A Resolution Authorizing up to $57,500,000 Bonds for Projects for Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. in Amherst, Bedford, Derry, Epping, Hollis, Merrimack, Milford, Nashua, Newmarket, Pittsfield, Plaistow, and Salem". The action will Authorized a Resolution under RSA 162-I:9 to determine the $57,500,000 issuance will be within the definition of "Water facility", and the establishment and operation of the Facilities expands or maintains and improves the collection, purification, storage or distribution of water, the project and the proposed financing and refinancing of the Project are feasible; the borrower has the resources necessary to operate the Facilities successfully, the Loan and Trust Agreement contain provisions so that under no circumstances will the Authority be obligated directly or indirectly to pay costs, the agreement does not create any debt of the State with respect to the Facilities, and the project will serve the social or economic prosperity of the State.*** **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Office of the Commissioner

#7 Authorized to amend an existing contract with JCM Code Specialists LLC, Alton, NH (originally approved by G&C on 5-19-21, item #7), for the continued provision of statewide construction and renovation plan review services for health facility and long-term compliance with various construction codes, including but not limited to Life Safety Codes, by exercising a renewal option, by increasing the price limitation by $289,280 from $168,750 to $458,030 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2024. **47% Federal, 40% General, 13% Other Funds (Health Facilities Fees). VOTE: 5-0**

#8 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with Deloitte Consulting LLP, Concord, NH (Informational Item B, G&C 1-22-21), to continue to provide ongoing

maintenance and operation of the Vaccine & Immunization Network Interface for continued registration and vaccine administration for the COVID-19 response, by exercising a contract renewal option, by increasing the price by $1,499,250 from $4,869,757 to $6,369,007 and extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#8A Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Maximus US Services Inc., Reston, VA, for the provision of COVID-19 call center support, in the amount of $651,946. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

New Hampshire Hospital

#9 Authorized to continue the 15% base hourly wage enhancement for nursing staff currently paid under the Institutional Nurse pay scale for recruitment and retention purposes. Effective January 13, 2022 through January 12, 2024. **38% General, 62% Other (provider fees). VOTE: 5-0**

#9A Authorized to continue 20% base hourly wage enhancement for Occupational Therapist I and II positions, Supervisor IV-OT/Rehab, and Administrator III-OT/Rehab positions currently paid under the A000 pay schedule for recruitment and retention purposes. Effective February 22, 2022 through February 22, 2024. **38% General, 62% Other Funds (provider fees). VOTE: 4-1 (Wheeler)**

Division of Long Term Supports and Services

#10 Authorized to accept and expend Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers federal funds in the amount of $72,687 from the Administration for Community Living. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

Division of Public Health Services

#11 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Lebanon, NH, for 8 evidenced based model education sessions on COVID-19 vaccinations, in the amount of $100,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023, with the option to renew for up to one additional year. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 4-1 (Wheeler)**

#12 Authorized to accept and expend carryover funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, entitled *Preventing Maternal Deaths: Supporting Maternal Mortality Review Committees*, to implement recommendations of the NH Maternal Mortality Review Committee, resulting in reduced maternal deaths in the amount of $76,028. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#13 Authorized to amend an existing contract with JSI Research and Training Institute Inc., d/b/a Community Health Institute, Bow, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12-2-20, item #21), to continue enhancing comprehensive tobacco prevention and cessation program initiatives, by increasing the price by $151,062 from $1,317,460 to $1,468,522, with no change to the completion date of February 28, 2024. **55% Federal, 45% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#13A **FAILED** Authorize to enter into contracts with the contractors as detailed in letter dated January 7, 2022, to provide reproductive and sexual health services to individuals in need with a heightened focus on vulnerable and/or low-income populations, in an amount not to exceed $1,020,329. Effective January 12, 2022 or upon G&C approval, whichever is later, through December 31, 2023, with two renewal options for two years each. **58% General, 42% Federal Funds. VOTE: FAILED 1-4 (Kenney, Stevens, Gatsas, Wheeler)**

Division for Children, Youth & Families

#14 Authorized the Sununu Youth Services Center to institute a temporary 18% base hourly wage enhancement to Youth Counselor Trainee and Youth Counselor I positions, a temporary 16% base hourly wage enhancement to Youth Counselor II positions, and a temporary 14% base hourly wage enhancement to the Youth Counselor III positions currently paid under Wage Schedule – A130 for recruitment and retention purposes. Effective upon G&C approval or January 14, 2022, whichever is later, through a period of 12 months from the date of approval. **100% General Funds. VOTE: VOTE: 4-1 (Wheeler)**

Division for Behavioral Health

#15 Authorized, on behalf of the Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs, to enter into grant agreements with the contractors as detailed in letter dated December 8, 2021, for the provision of community-based programs that are designed for youth to develop and implement youth-led and youth-powered tobacco use prevention strategies in order to prevent and reduce youth access to and use of tobacco products, in an amount not to exceed $20,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June

30, 2022, with the option to renew for up to 2 additional years. **100% Other Funds (Drug Forfeiture Funds). VOTE: 5-0**

#16 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Foundation For Healthy Communities, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 7-13-16, item #6B), to increase the ability of hospital systems to address substance use disorders across all levels of care for NH residents experiencing addiction, by increasing the price by $400,000 from $5,549,000 to $5,949,000 with no change to the completion date of June 30, 2023. **38.07% Federal, 7.73% General, 54.20% Other Funds (Governor's Commission). VOTE: 5-0**

#17 Authorized to amend existing contracts with the contractors listed in bold as detailed in letter dated December 17, 2021, to provide community mental health services, including statewide mobile crisis services, with no change to the price of $52,369,907 and no change to the completion dates of June 30, 2022. Effective upon G&C approval. This request is contingent upon G&C approval of the corresponding request to amend the Housing Bridge Subsidy contracts with the contractors listed in bold. **10% Federal, 90% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#18 Authorized to amend existing contracts with the contractors listed in bold as detailed in letter dated December 17, 2021, to expand the number of supported housing beds in their region by 6 beds and to continue providing supported housing and community mental health services to individuals who have severe mental illness and lack permanent housing options in the community, by exercising renewal options, by increasing the total price by $8,835,528 from $16,284,430 to $25,119,958, and by extending the completion dates from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023. This request is contingent upon G&C approval of the corresponding request to amend the Mental Health contracts with the contractors listed in bold. **100% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

Division of Economic & Housing Stability

#19 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** contract with Conduent State & Local Solutions Inc., Washington, DC, for State Disbursement and Electronic Funds Transfer Services, in the amount of $9,786,028. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2031. **66% Federal, 34% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#20 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Institute for Community Alliances, Des Moines, IA (originally approved by G&C on 3-27-19, item #11), for the continued operation and maintenance of the NH Statewide Homeless Management Information System, by exercising a renewal option by increasing the price by $625,446 from $793,917 to $1,419,363, and by extending the completion date from July 31, 2022 to July 31, 2023. **50% Federal, 50% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#21 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Center for Policy Research, Denver, CO, to provide a thorough, fair, and impartial review of and recommendations for the NH Child Support Guidelines, in the amount of $136,478. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2022, with the option to renew for up to one additional year. **66% Federal, 34% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#22 Authorized the Executive Office to pay membership dues **retroactively** in the amount of $8,000 to the Intelligent Transportation Society of America, Washington, DC, for membership in the ITS America organization. Effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **18.43% Federal, 78.56% Highway, 6.% Other (Agency Income) Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#23 Authorized the Bureau of Finance and Contracts to pay a small claim in the amount of $399. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Highway Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#24 Authorized the Bureau of Finance and Contracts to pay a small claim in the amount of $1,433.65. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Highway Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#25 Authorized to accept and place on file the Bureau of Highway Design's summary of Special, Supplemental, and Account Agreements (and their amendments) with utilities, municipalities and railroad entities that result from impacts to their facilities because of Department administered construction projects, paid for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. **VOTE: 5-0**

#26 Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way to pay a property owner $25,000 as documented in the Contemplated Awards List, for amounts greater than $5,000 for the period extending from November 23, 2021 through December 22, 2021. **VOTE: 5-0**

#27 Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way to pay a property owner $1,000 in addition to the $18,000 (previously approved by G&C on 11-10-21, item #22). The total award of $19,000 represents

an amount great than $5,000 for the period extending from December 23, 2021 through December 24, 2021. Effective upon G&C approval. **VOTE: 5-0**

#28 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to **retroactively** continue membership and participation with the International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association, Washington, DC, by paying annual membership dues in the amount of $35,087 for Calendar Year 2022. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Turnpike Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#29 Authorized the Bureau of Aeronautics to award a grant to the Laconia Airport Authority, to complete obstruction removal on-airport and on airport-control properties, to conduct an airport obstruction analysis and to update the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan at the Laconia Municipal Airport, Gilford, NH, in the amount of $618,558.18. Effective upon G&C approval through July 16, 2024. **94.92% Federal, 5.08% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#30 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to amend the Interstate Bridge Agreement with the State of Vermont (originally approved by G&C on 3-6-13, item #45), which allows the Department to bill Vermont for costs associated with rehabilitation of the bridge carrying East Thetford Road over the Connecticut River (NH Br. No. 053/112 and Connecticut River Br. No. 14) between the Towns of Lyme, NH and Thetford, VT, effective upon G&C approval, and continuing through engineering design, construction, inspection, and final acceptance of the completed project, in accordance with the Department's 10-Year Transportation Improvement Plan. The amendment modifies Section 2.d Construction Costs and Section 3 Application of Federal Grants of the previously approved agreement to reflect the more precise cost sharing determination of 86% by NH and 14% by VT. **VOTE: 5-0**

#31 Authorized the Bureau of Planning & Community Assistance to pay **retroactive** invoices totaling $668,489.35 to the Town of Bradford for expenses incurred between February 19, 2017 through December 12, 2020, under the State Bridge Aid and the Federal National Historic Covered Bridge Preservation Programs, through a Local Project Administration process. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **74.96% Federal, 25.04% State Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#32 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Eurovia Atlantic Coast LLC, Northfield, MA, for pavement preservation in two towns in Districts 2 and 4, on the basis of a low bid of $7,557,437.60. (2) Further Authorized a contingency in the amount of $377,871.88 for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through September 23, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#33 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Panther Industrial Painting LLC, Mishawaka, IN, for bridge painting in Ashland and Plymouth, on the basis of a low bid of $3,229,185. (2) Further Authorized a contingency in the amount of $161,459.25 for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through December 16, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#34 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Weaver Brothers Construction Co., Inc., Bow, NH, for Interstate rehabilitation and pavement reconstruction on I-89, on the basis of a low bid of $29,800,003.92. (2) Further Authorized a contingency in the amount of $2,086,000.27 for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through October 25, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

#34A TABLED Authorize to accept and place on file the fact finder report for NH Department of Transportation, State Employees Association of NH, Service Employee International Union, Local 1984, pursuant to an order of the Public Employee Labor Relations Board, which is currently on appeal before the NH Supreme Court. **VOTE TO TABLE: 3-2 (Warmington, Stevens)**

#34B TABLED Authorize to accept and place on file the fact finder report for NH Department of Health and Human Services, NH State Hospital, State Employees Association of NH, Service Employee International Union, Local 1984, pursuant to an order of the Public Employee Labor Relations Board, which is currently on appeal before the NH Supreme Court. **VOTE TO TABLE: 2-3 (Warmington, Stevens)**

#34C TABLED Authorize to accept and place on file the fact finder report for NH Liquor Commission, Retail Division, State Employees Association of NH, Service Employee International Union, Local 1984,

pursuant to an order of the Public Employee Labor Relations Board, which is currently on appeal before the NH Supreme Court. **VOTE TO TABLE: 3-2 (Warmington, Stevens)**

#34D TABLED Authorize to accept and place on file the fact finder report for NH Department of Safety, Marine Patrol, State Employees Association of NH, Service Employee International Union, Local 1984, pursuant to an order of the Public Employee Labor Relations Board, which is currently on appeal before the NH Supreme Court. **VOTE TO TABLE: 3-2 (Warmington, Stevens)**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

#35 Authorized, under the Community Development Block Grant Program, to award a grant to the County of Grafton, Haverhill, NH, in the amount of $25,000 to support its broadband planning study. Effective January 12, 2022 through December 31, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

#36 Authorized to place Attorney Keen M. Wong at Step 6 of unclassified salary grade FF, earning $96,564 annually, for the position of Tax Policy Analyst, position #9U609. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

#37 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** agreement/MOU sponsorship with University of NH's Institute on Disability, Concord, NH, to provide an intensive leadership training program for people with disabilities and their families, in the amount of $10,000. Effective September 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

#38 Authorized to enhance the base hourly wage to the Administrator II, III and IV positions as detailed in letter dated December 28, 2021, for recruitment and retention purposes, by 5% or 25%. This enhancement is projected to increase funding by $40,097 for the remainder of FY 2022. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2023. **100% General Funds. VOTE: 4-1 (Wheeler)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#39 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with the Southwestern Community Services Inc., Keene, NH, in the amount of $4,375,127 in American Rescue Plan Act funds, from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program as supplemental funding. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#40 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with the Community Action Partnership of Strafford County, Dover, NH, in the amount of $2,796,206 in American Rescue Plan Act funds, from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program as supplemental funding. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#41 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with the Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties Inc., Concord, NH, in the amount of $5,140,370 in American Rescue Plan Act funds, from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program as supplemental funding. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#42 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with the Tri-County Community Action Program Inc., Berlin, NH, in the amount of $5,895,927 in American Rescue Plan Act funds, from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program as supplemental funding. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#43 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Southwestern Community Services, Keene, NH, in the amount of $203,250 to supplement the Agency's Weatherization Assistance Program. Effective January 12, 2021 through December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#44 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with the Southern NH Services Inc., Manchester, NH, in the amount of $14,081,127 in American Rescue Plan Act funds, from the US Department of

Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program as supplemental funding. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#45 ***Authorized to enter into a contract with Litchfield School District, Litchfield, NH, to provide funding support allowing for the implementation of energy efficiency projects and upgrades, in the amount of $80,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022.*** **100% Federal Funds (State Energy Program). VOTE: 5-0**

#46 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Southern NH Services, Manchester, NH, in the amount of $654,150 to supplement the Agency's Weatherization Assistance Program. Effective January 12, 2021 through December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#47 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Tri-County Community Action Program, Berlin, NH, in the amount of $273,900 to supplement the Agency's Weatherization Assistance Program. Effective January 12, 2021 through December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#48 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Community Action Partnership of Strafford County, Dover, NH, in the amount of $129,900 to supplement the Agency's Weatherization Assistance Program. Effective January 12, 2021 through December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#49 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties Inc., Concord, NH, in the amount of $238,800 to supplement the Agency's Weatherization Assistance Program. Effective January 12, 2021 through December 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

GOVERNORS OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

#50 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** sub award (or grant) agreement with the NH Housing Finance Authority, Bedford, NH, in an amount not to exceed $408,330 for the Evacuee Resettlement Program to provide housing stability services including housing navigators and housing case managers to help each Afghan individual and family secure housing and apply for federal rental relief through NH Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#51 Authorized to amend a **sole source** contract with Jesse Lewis Choose Love Movement Inc., Newtown, CT (originally approved by G&C on 8-18-21, item #69), to promote student and community mental health recovery from the effects of the public health emergency, by extending the date from January 15, 2022 to June 30, 2022. No Additional Funding. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 4-1 (Wheeler)**

#52 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** sub award (or grant) agreement with Manchester Alcoholism Rehabilitation Center/Farnum Center, Manchester, NH, in an amount not to exceed $133,750, for the Behavioral Health, Dual Diagnosis Capability in Addiction Assessment Pilot Program, that will provide training and consultation for developing, implementing, and sustaining evidence based practices in recovery-oriented approach to mental health and substance use disorder treatment. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

#53 Authorized to enter into a contract with RLS Demographics Inc., Rensselaerville, NY, in American Rescue Plan State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for population projections. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

#54 Authorized the NH State Library to make a **retroactive** payment to United for Libraries, Chicago, IL, in the amount of $22,800 for a one year membership. Effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#55 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain to enter into an amendment to an existing contract with Accesso LLC, Lake Mary, FL (originally approved by G&C on 3-24-21, item #75),for the Online Ticketing Platform at Cannon and Franconia Notch State Park, by increasing the price by $518,400 from $263,354.39 to $781,754.39. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2023. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). VOTE: 5-0**

#56 Authorized the State Council on the Arts to award a Conservation Number Plate (Moose Plate) Grant to the Town of Epsom, NH, in the amount of $15,430 to support the restoration of stained glass windows in the Old Meetinghouse. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). VOTE: 5-0**

#57 Authorized the State Council on the Arts to award a Conservation Number Plate (Moose Plate) Grant to the Claremont Opera House, Claremont, NH, in the amount of $20,000 to support the restoration of stained glass windows. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). VOTE: 5-0**

#58 Authorized the State Council on the Arts to award a Conservation Number Plate (Moose Plate) Grant to the Portsmouth Historical Society, Portsmouth, NH, in the amount of $16,725 to support the repair of infrastructure in the exhibit gallery to increase access and protect artworks. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). VOTE: 5-0**

#59 Authorized the State Council on the Arts to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with Ingrid Pichler, Swampscott, MA (originally approved by G&C on 6-2-21, item #82), for creation of artwork for the Hampton Circuit Courthouse, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2021 to June 30, 2022 with no change in the price. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). VOTE: 5-0**

#60 Authorized the Division of Historical Resources to award a Conservation Number Plate (Moose Plate) Grant to the City of Somersworth, in the amount of $10,000 for roof repairs to the historic well house in Forest Glade Cemetery. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2023. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). VOTE: 5-0**

#61 ***Authorized the Division of Historical Resources to award a Conservation Number Plate (Moose Plate) Grant to the Town of Mont Vernon in the amount of $10,000 for window rehabilitation at the historic town hall. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2023***. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). VOTE: 5-0**

#62 Authorized the NH State Library to make a payment to Council of State Library Agencies in the Northeast, via their fiscal agent Lyrasis, Atlanta, GA, in the amount of $21,900 for the federally-required 5-year evaluation of NHSL's Institute of Museum & Library Services Library Services & Technology Act Program. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#63 Authorized to make **retroactive unencumbered** payment of invoices totaling $11,638.50 for emergency response measures to repair the Winnipesaukee River Basin Program's 12-inch sewer forcemain located in Belmont on the shoulder of Route 140. **100% WRBP Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#64 Authorized to make **retroactive unencumbered** payment of an invoice for $1,872.89 from Safety Environmental Controls of Mass Inc., Ward Hill, MA, for two gas monitoring meter(s) and a charger used daily as safety equipment by the Winnipesaukee River Basin Program. **100% WRBP Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#65 Authorized a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan agreement with the City of Claremont, in an amount not to exceed $3,469,000 to finance the Waste Water Treatment Facility Electrical Upgrades project. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% CWSRF Repayment Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS HOME

#66 Authorized to place Ms. Kimberly MacKay in the position of Commandant at the maximum step grade HH earning $119,184. Effective January 28, 2022. **29% General, 39% Federal, 32% Other Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#67 Authorized the Bureau of Student Wellness to enter into a **sole source** Cooperative Project agreement with Keene State College, Keene, NH, to provide external evaluation services and technical assistance for the System of Care Sustainability and Expansion Grant, in an amount not to exceed $1,743,225. Effective upon G&C approval through August 30, 2024. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#68 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to enter into a contract amendment with Granite State Independent Living, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 5-5-21, item #58), to provide the "Inspiring the Mastery of Postsecondary Achievement in College" program in five regions of NH, by increasing the price by $426,985 from $2,208,588 to $2,635,573. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

#69 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the NH Department of Health and Human Services, in the amount of $17,500 to administer the Metropolitan Medical Response System portion of the 2019 Homeland Security Grant Program. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#70 Authorized the Division of State Police to enter into a contract with Gilford Well Company Inc., Gilford, NH, for well and water treatment and management services at Marine Patrol, in an amount not to exceed $11,942.28. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2024, with the option to renew for an additional one-year term. **100% Agency Income. VOTE: 5-0**

#71 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the NH Department of Health and Human Services, in the amount of $15,000 to administer the Metropolitan Medical Response System portion of the 2020 Homeland Security Grant Program. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#72 ***Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to retroactively enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Swanzey to complete the stabilization of a 500-foot section of road embankment on Webber Hill Rd for a total amount of $815,700. Effective November 30, 2021 through May 29, 2023.*** **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#73 Authorized the confirmation of the Joint Committee of Employee Classification's approval and recommendation of the establishment of a new salary grade DD range of $64,246 to $89,414 for the position of Victim/Witness Specialist. Effective upon G&C approval. (2) Further Authorized to appoint Joelle Donnelly-Wiggin as a Victim/Witness Specialist at a salary level of $85,228, LG DD, Step 6. Effective upon G&C approval or January 28, 2022, whichever is later, for a term ending July 1, 2024. **VOTE: 5-0**

#74 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the Manchester Police Department, Manchester, NH, in an amount not to exceed $100,000 from the Federal Fiscal Year 2021 US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Statistical Analysis Center, for the purposes of upgrading the MPD's National Incident-Based Reporting System crime statistical data storage and sharing program. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

#74A Authorized to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Public Utilities Commission, Concord, NH, for the purpose of providing a dedicated temporary Assistant Attorney General, for the Public Utilities Commission to support adjudicative and administrative functions regulating utilities, in the amount of $33,824 for the State Fiscal Year 2022, and $115,738 for State Fiscal Year 2023. Effective upon G&C approval through July 1, 2023. **100% Transfers from Other Agencies. VOTE: 5-0**

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOUSING APPEALS BOARD

#75 Authorized a salary increment for Board Member, Ms. Elizabeth R. Fischer, from LG DD Step 1 $64,246 to LG DD Step 2 $68,432. Effective upon G&C approval. **VOTE: 5-0**

OFFICE OF THE CHILD ADVOCATE

#75A Authorized to accept and expend funds in the amount of $15,000 from the Annie E. Casey Foundation, Baltimore, MD, to establish the Youth Justice Stewards program. The young people will receive stipends for their time and will receive compensation for food and transportation costs associated with their work. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Other Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#76 Authorized a Working Capital Warrant in the amount of $550,000,000 to cover the payment of expenditures for the month of February 2022. **VOTE: 5-0**

#77 Authorized the Division of Personnel's request for waiver of classification decisions. Effective upon G&C approval. **VOTE: 5-0**

#78 Authorized to accept, on behalf of the NH Fish and Game, the gift of a parcel of land on the shore of Success Pond in the unincorporated township of Success, NH, having an area of approximately 1.4 acres, together with all appurtenant easement rights, from The Conservation Fund, a Maryland non-profit corporation. **VOTE: 5-0**

#79 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design & Construction to enter into an agreement with The H.L. Turner Group Inc., Concord, NH, for Civil-Structural Engineering Services required for planning, design and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department, in the amount not to exceed $500,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **VOTE: 5-0**

#80 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design & Construction to enter into an agreement with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin Inc., Bedford, NH, for Civil-Structural Engineering Services required for planning, design and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department, in the amount not to exceed $500,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **VOTE: 5-0**

#81 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design & Construction to enter into an agreement with HEB Engineers Inc., North Conway, NH, for Civil-Structural Engineering Services required for planning, design and construction of various Public Works' Projects as necessary and required by the Department, in the amount not to exceed $500,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **VOTE: 5-0**

#82 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with Brookstone Builders Inc., Manchester, NH, for the repair leaks in Concrete Tunnel – Thayer Building, Concord, NH, for a total price not to exceed $301,396. Effective upon G&C approval through October 23, 2022. **100% Capital – General Funds.** (2) Further Authorized a contingency in the amount of $10,000 for unanticipated expenses, bringing the total to $311,396. **100% Transfer from Other Agency.** (3) Further Authorized the amount of $18,983 for payment to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total to $330,379. **100% Transfer from Other Agency. VOTE: 5-0**

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TABLED ITEMS

#3 ***MOP 150, I, B (3): Reports and Findings***

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION *(Tabled at 12/22/21 G&C Meeting)*

#A. REMOVED AND PASSED **TABLED** - Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Gatsas, voted to **table** the request to accept and place on file the biennial report for fiscal years 2020 and 2021. **VOTE: 5-0**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION *(Tabled at 12/22/21 G&C Meeting)*

#50 **TABLED** – REMOVED AND PASSED The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Gatsas, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to **table** the request of the Bureau of Bridge Design to enter into an agreement with HNTB Corporation, Kansas City, MO, for the preliminary and final design for the preservation efforts associated with the five existing bridges carrying I-93 NB from Mile Mark 21.2 to Mile Marker 24.0, for a total not to exceed $793,865.46. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. VOTE: 5-0**

The Governor Nominated the following individuals to serve on State Boards and Commissions

Georgia L.D. Murray, Conway, NH: Air Resources Council

Rita Castonguay-Hunt, Chichester, NH: Aviation Users Advisory Board

Ann W. Davis, Wilmot, NH: Board of Foresters

David J. Goldberg, Manchester, NH: Board of Medicine
Allan R. Clark, Sugar Hill; Robert M. Buxton, Hudson; Ronald Sebastian, Derry: to the Fire Standards and Training Commission
Scott E. Hunter, New Boston, NH: State Board of Fire Control
Richard Thorner, Manchester, NH; State Historical Resources Council

The Executive Council confirmed the following individuals to serve on State Boards and Commissions

Rosemary Wiant, Hopkinton, NH: Deferred Compensation Commission
Jacqueline Harrison, Hillsboro, NH: Dental Hygienists Committee
Rene Pelletier, Wolfeboro, NH; Director of the Division of Water, Department of Environmental Services
Michael Bassett, Dover, NH; Recreational Therapy Governing Board
F. Anne Ross, New Durham, NH; Special Commissioner of Public Utilities Commission
Andrea E.M. Brochu, Jefferson, NH; Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors

The Executive Council welcomes public input on nominations that are brought forward by the Governor for consideration and confirmation.

If you have interest in serving on any of the 300+ State Boards or Commissions please send a letter of interest along with a resume, to Jonathan Melanson in care of the Governor's office and a copy to the Executive Councilor.
Please feel free to contact me with concerns or support for any of the above individuals or any other issues you might have. A listing of the Boards and Commissions, along with the qualifications required, can be found at
http://sos.nh.gov/GC2.aspx