

Government Operations Committee

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

*Immediately Following the Finance Committee*

City Council Chambers

AGENDA

1. Authorization to Accept and Appropriate funding for the WIC Nutrition Program in the amount of \$2,651,712.20 for the year beginning October 1, 2016
  - Please see attached Council Action Page and Resolve
2. Authorization to Apply for a Maine Health Access Foundation Healthy Communities Phase III Implementation Grant in the amount of \$187,000 for a three year term beginning November 15, 2016
  - Please see the attached Council Action Page and Order
3. Request to Eliminate Parking on both sides of North Park Street between Broadway and French Street
  - Please see the attached memorandum from Public Works Director Wardwell
4. Discussion / Consideration of Implementing a Smoking Ban in Public Parks and Public Spaces
  - Please see the attached memorandum from City Solicitor Heitmann

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**COUNCIL ACTION**

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**Item No. \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date: September 12, 2016**

**Item/Subject:** RESOLVE, Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds from the Maine Department of Health and Human Services – WIC Nutrition Program.

**Responsible Department:** Public Health and Community Services

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**Commentary:** This resolve will accept and appropriate \$2,651,712.20 in grant funds for the Women, Infants, and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC). The Public Health and Community Service WIC Nutrition Program currently services a monthly average of 3,000 participants at their Bangor, Dexter, Dover, Corinth, Lincoln, Millinocket, Milo, Newport, and Greenville sites. The proposed agreement provides \$550,703.00 for administration, \$2,000.00 in Farmer's Market Administration, \$25,624.00 in WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counseling, and \$2,073,385.20 for food vouchers. The grant covers the period from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

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**Manager's Comments:**

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City Manager

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**Associated Information: Resolve**

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**Budget Approval:**

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Finance Director

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**Legal Approval:**

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City Solicitor

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## CITY OF BANGOR

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**(TITLE.)** Resolve, Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate a Grant from the Maine Department of Health and Human Services – WIC Nutrition Program.

**BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BANGOR:**

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City Manager is hereby authorized to accept and appropriate \$2,651,712.20 from the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to administer the WIC Nutrition Program in Penobscot and Piscataquis counties during the period 10/01/16 – 9/30/17.

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**COUNCIL ACTION**

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**Item No.**

**Date: September 12, 2016**

**Item/Subject:** Order, Authorizing the City Manager to Apply for a Maine Health Access Foundation Healthy Communities Phase III Implementation Grant.

**Responsible Department:** Public Health and Community Services

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**Commentary:**

The City of Bangor Public Health and Community Services Department would apply for the third phase of the Maine Health Access Foundation *Achieving Better Health in Communities: Healthy Community Grants Program*.

Our goal is to build on the community collaboration that occurred during the first two phases of the MEHAF Healthy Communities program. During Phase One the community identified substance use disorder as a significant issue. During Phase Two the community is collaboratively creating action steps to reduce stigma and to identify gaps in services and supports for people affected by substance use disorder.

The implementation plan for Phase Three would focus on building successful, accessible and sustainable recovery coaching in the Greater Bangor area. This was identified by people living with substance use disorder and by the professional community as a best practice for recovery and as a gap in the current array of services available

If the application is successful, the City of Bangor, through its Department of Public Health and Community Services, would provide a backbone of staff support, coordination and technical assistance for the development of recovery coaching. A program of recovery coaching would be delivered under the auspices of one or more community based partners.

This three-year project would begin November 15, 2016 and end December 31, 2019 with total funding of \$187,000. The grant, if awarded, would be renewable for years two and three.

The term of the first year would be November 15, 2016 – December 31, 2017 with funding of \$67,000. A Resolve to Accept and Appropriate the first year funding will be prepared, if awarded.

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**Manager's Comments:**

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City Manager

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**Associated Information:** Order

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# CITY OF BANGOR

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**(TITLE.) ORDER,** Authorizing the City Manager to Apply for a Maine Health Access Foundation Healthy Communities Phase III Implementation Grant

**BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BANGOR:**

**BE IT ORDERED,** that the City Manager is here authorized to apply for a Maine Health Access Foundation Healthy Communities Phase III Implementation Grant in the amount of \$187,000 for a term of November 15, 2016 to December 31, 2019.



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PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT – OPERATION and MAINTENANCE

Dana R. Wardwell, Director

To: Government Operations Committee  
From: Dana Wardwell  
Subject: Proposed change in parking on North Park Street  
Date: September 7, 2016

Public Works has received a request to eliminate parking on both sides of North Park Street between Broadway and French Street. Typically travel lanes are 11 feet wide and parallel parking spaces are 8 feet wide. Using these dimensions a road would need to be 30 feet wide to accommodate safe two way vehicle passage and parking on one side of the street. North Park Street is 26 feet wide, curb to grass, making it unsafe for two lanes of traffic and parking on one side of the street. There are two options, no parking on both sides of the street or make North Park Street a one way street with parking on the curbed side of the street.

Congress Street, a short distance north of North Park Street is right turn in/right turn out only at Broadway. Therefore, eliminating travel on North Park Street from Broadway toward French Street would shut off access to this neighborhood from Broadway. Eliminating traffic from French Street toward Broadway on North Park Street would deny residents of this neighborhood an opportunity for left turns onto Broadway. It is always preferable to move traffic to signalized intersections such as the intersection of North Park & Stillwater & Broadway. Therefore, it is preferable to maintain two way traffic on North Park Street. Staff recommends no parking on both sides of North Park Street.



Proposed no parking on both sides of North Park Street

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## MEMORANDUM

To: Governmental Operations Committee  
From: Norman S. Heitmann, III, City Solicitor  
Re: Smoking ban in public parks and public spaces  
Date: August 30, 2016

At the last Council meeting the Council voted to prohibit smoking in the City's public parks that have pools, playgrounds, and athletic facilities. During the meeting Councilors requested that there be further discussion regarding the possibility of prohibiting smoking in all City parks and other City open space.

In July this Committee, at the request of Councilor Baldacci, discussed a smoking ban in all city parks. The discussion at committee meeting eventually evolved to the point where the majority of the committee supported a smoking ban in parks that have facilities for children, such as pools, athletic facilities, and playgrounds. That was what was approved by the Council. The City has designated thirty-three (33) areas as public parks. Twelve (12) of those are now subject to the smoking ban.

It is a simple ordinance amendment to prohibit smoking in all City parks. Two parks have generated the most discussion on whether a complete ban on smoking in parks is appropriate, the municipal golf course and West Market Square.

I also note that there has been much talk about the prohibition of smoking within 20 feet of the door to a business. That restriction can be found in Title 22 M.R.S.A. §150-A (A-2). However, that is for the designated smoking area for employees and not a restriction on people who may be walking by or standing near an entrance. People are allowed to smoke on the sidewalk. In West Market Square the sidewalk is on the Paddy Murphy side of Broad Street. The remainder of West Market Square does not include a sidewalk. Of course, abutting West Market Square there is a sidewalk along Bangor Alley.

Finally, there are several areas of open space owned by the City that are not designated as public parks, but where people gather and/or have events. The most obvious are Bass Park (other than the area around Paul Bunyan, a public park), virtually all of the waterfront (other than the area where the Folk Festival has the Two Rivers Stage), and Pickering Square. In addition, of course, there are some larger parcels of City property that are for development such as the Maine Business Park and sites near the airport, but these are not designed to attract people to gather or to have events. The City does have the right to prohibit smoking the open space it owns.

Staff will be at the meeting to answer any questions.