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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: Tuesday, November 14, 2023
TO: Town Clerk
FROM: Michael Borg *WMB 11/14/23*
CC: Superintendent of Schools Dr. John Antonucci
Director of Facilities Ernie Sandland
Linda Catanzariti Town Accountant
Chris Sweet Treasurer/Tax Collector
RE: **Measure 2024-028- Approval to repurpose funds in the amount of \$600,000.00 for the Falls Elementary boiler (Measure 2023-062) to be used to fund the design and engineering of the Falls and Martin boilers, and the boiler replacement at Martin School.**

Town Council Meeting- President Justin Paré
Measure 2024-028- Approval to repurpose funds in the amount of \$600,000.00 for the Falls Elementary boiler (Measure 2023-062) to be used to fund the design and engineering of the Falls and Martin boilers, and the boiler replacement at Martin School.

Purpose and Justification:

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The purpose of undertaking the design and engineering work for the boiler systems at the Falls and Martin Elementary Schools is to ensure the safety, efficiency, and operational cost savings of the heating infrastructure within these educational facilities. This project aims to replace the existing aging boiler systems with modern, energy-efficient, and environmentally sustainable solutions, thereby addressing several critical needs:

Justification:

Safety and Reliability: The current boiler systems at Falls and Martin Elementary Schools have reached the end of their operational life, posing a significant safety risk due to potential failures, leaks, or malfunctions. Replacing these outdated systems with new, state-of-the-art boilers will ensure a safe and reliable heating source for the schools.

Energy Efficiency: The existing boilers are inefficient and consume excessive energy, leading to high operational costs and carbon emissions. By replacing them with energy-efficient models, we can significantly reduce energy consumption and lower utility bills.

Operational Cost Savings: The Martin and Falls School boilers are at the end of their useful life. Upgrading the boiler systems will result in long-term operational cost savings. Newer boilers are designed to operate more efficiently, which will lead to reduced heating costs over time.

If approved, the remaining funding following the completion of the design and engineering phase will be allocated towards acquiring a new boiler system for the Martin School. The expenses associated with replacing the boiler system at the Falls School will be reevaluated and resubmitted as part of the FY25 Capital Improvement Program.

Falls Elementary School Boiler Replacement Account #30300362-582017

The Town Council met on November 13, 2023, and on behalf of the Town Council, a motion was made by Councilor Donovan to approve Measure 2024-028- Approval to repurpose funds in the amount of \$600,000.00 for the Falls Elementary boiler (Measure 2023-062) to be used to fund the design and engineering of the Falls and Martin boilers, and the boiler replacement at Martin School.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Gregory.

Motion carried. 7-0 UNANIMOUS