

Michael Borg  
Town Manager



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### INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** Tuesday, November 28, 2023  
**TO:** Town Clerk  
**FROM:** Michael Borg *MMJ 28 NOV 23*  
**CC:** Dr. John Antonucci Superintendent of Schools  
Ernie Sandland Director of Facilities for the Schools  
Linda Catanzariti Town Accountant  
Chris Sweet Treasurer/Tax Collector  
**RE:** **Measure 2024-038- Approval to repurpose remaining funds from previous School Capital Improvement Project (Measure 2023-015) for Amvet Playground to be used for Roosevelt Elementary School Playground.**

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**Town Council Meeting- President Justin Paré**  
**Measure 2024-038- Approval to repurpose remaining funds from previous School Capital Improvement Project (Measure 2023-015) for Amvet Playground to be used for Roosevelt Elementary School Playground.**

**Purpose and Justification:**

**Purpose:** This request seeks approval for the reallocation of remaining funds from Measure 2023-015, originally designated for General Government Capital Improvement Plan Projects in FY23 Free Cash. Specifically, we propose to re-purpose \$180,000.00 from Account 30300315-585001, initially earmarked for the Amvet School Playground project, to support the creation of a new playground at the Roosevelt School.

**Justification:** The original allocation of Measure 2023-015 included \$450,000.00 for the enhancement of the Amvet School Playground. To date, \$270,000.00 of these funds have been utilized, and the project is now successfully completed. With a remaining balance of \$180,000.00 in the account, these funds are available for reallocation to another worthy project.

Additionally, the Town has received a \$100,000.00 Earmark from Representative Scanlon specifically for the installation of a new playground at the Roosevelt School Playground. These funds will be utilized to cover the comprehensive costs associated with the playground project, encompassing the purchase of playground equipment, safety surfacing, installation labor, landscaping or site preparation, as well as the necessary fencing.

The estimated total cost for the purchase and installation of the Roosevelt School Playground is approximately \$275,000.00. To fulfill this project, we propose using the combination of the Earmark funds and the \$180,000.00 from Measure 2023-015, Account

**30300315-585001, which was originally designated for the Amvet School Playground project.**

**This re-purposing of funds ensures the efficient utilization of available resources to create a new, safe, and enjoyable playground facility at the Roosevelt School Playground, benefiting the community at large. We respectfully request approval for this reallocation to advance the improvement of our local educational and recreational spaces.**

The Town Council met on November 13, 2023, and on behalf of the Council, Councilor Donovan made a motion to refer Measure 2024-038- Approval to repurpose remaining funds from previous School Capital Improvement Project (Measure 2023-015) for Amvet Playground to be used for Roosevelt Elementary School Playground to the Finance Sub-Committee for further review and consideration.

Councilor Gregory seconded the motion.

**Motion carried 7-0.**

The Finance Sub-Committee met on November 21, 2023, and on behalf of the Sub-Committee a motion was made by Councilor Donovan to refer back to the Full Town Council Measure 2024-038- Approval to repurpose remaining funds from previous School Capital Improvement Project (Measure 2023-015) for Amvet Playground to be used for Roosevelt Elementary School Playground with a favorable recommendation.

Councilor Costello seconded the motion.

**Motion carried 6-0. UNANIMOUS**

The Town Council met on November 27, 2023, and on behalf of the Council, a motion was made by Vice-President Simmons to approve Measure 2024-038- Approval to repurpose remaining funds from previous School Capital Improvement Project (Measure 2023-015) for Amvet Playground to be used for the Roosevelt Elementary School Playground.

The motion was seconded by Councilor Slobogan.

**Motion carried. 9-0. UNANIMOUS**