



Measure #: 2025-030

TOWN COUNCIL MEASURE SUBMITTAL

Date: 01/13/2025

Submitted By: Town Manager

Telephone #: 508-699-0100

MEASURE DESCRIPTION:

Authorization to transfer FY25 Free Cash in the amount of of \$294,076.00 to the School Department for Chapter 70 Differential

Signed:

Michael Borg

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PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:

Purpose:

To allocate \$294,076 in additional Chapter 70 state aid to the School Department for FY25 from certified FY25 Free Cash. This funding reflects the differential between the Chapter 70 appropriation in the Governor's initial budget proposal and the final budget signed into law after July 1, 2024, which occurred following the Town Council's budget approval and passage.

Justification:

The allocation of \$294,076 from certified FY25 Free Cash provides the School Department with access to additional state aid without increasing their FY25 operating budget. Instead, these funds would be made available outside of their general fund allocation to address critical needs and priorities.

The School Department may, but not limited to, utilize this funding to:

- Address Emerging Needs
- Offset Inflationary Pressures and help mitigate the impact of rising costs in areas such as supplies, transportation, curriculum, or student programs.
- Fund FY25 Capital Projects

By allocating these funds from FY25 free cash, the Town ensures that the School Department has the financial support necessary to maintain and enhance educational services while adhering to budgetary constraints. This allocation reinforces the Town's commitment to supporting public education.

We respectfully request approval for the allocation of \$294,076 from certified FY25 Free Cash to the School Department for their use in alignment with their strategic priorities.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

ATTACHMENTS: Backup Documents

REFER TO SUB-COMMITTEE: Finance

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