



**Community Preservation  
Committee**

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Ms. Kelley A. Cronin  
Executive Director  
Acton Housing Authority  
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**Re: 2007 CPA Project Funding – Capital Fund for the Acton Housing Authority**

Dear Ms. Cronin:

Congratulations to the Acton Housing Authority on being a recipient of Community Preservation funds (CPA funds) in 2007. Your effort and cooperation during this year's project selection process helped secure the overwhelming support at the Annual Town Meeting for the Community Preservation Committee's (CPC) spending recommendations. Voters agreed that each project is worthwhile and now they expect that each will be well executed. Before you move forward with the project, please pay close attention to the following important instructions and funding conditions:

- The Town contact person assigned to your project is Roland Bartl, Planning Director. All necessary documentation and communication with the Town regarding this project shall be directed to him.
- CPA funding for your project is available immediately following the release date of this letter, however:
- CPA funds shall be disbursed only after project completion to your satisfaction and consistent with the approved project scope, and after:

a) receipt by the Town contact person of an invoice by you for payment (or reimbursement) for completed services, including all back-up documentation and invoices for the entire project by the contractor(s) who performed the work;

b) verification that all applicable state purchasing and ethics regulations, local bylaws, and Town financial policies have been met; and

c) the assigned staff person has verified that the conditions of this award letter have been met.

CPA fund disbursements may also be made in installments after completion of project phases defined in a contract for services or purchase order.

- Payments will be made for the amount invoiced by the contractor(s) up to \$64,000.
- Funds cannot be released until the Board of Selectmen has signed the Accounts Payable Warrant at a public meeting.
- As a public agency the Acton Housing Authority is responsible to ensure that the procurements of goods and services for CPA funded projects, including procurements that are partially funded with monies donated by private entities towards the project, will abide by all applicable State and municipal requirements. They require certain procedures for expenses of \$5,000.00 or more, including a requirement that certain State funded projects are done with a specified minimum participation level by minority- and women-owned businesses. Please contact your legal counsel if you have any questions.
- CPA funds shall be used only for preservation work of the Acton Housing Authority's housing stock that is legally eligible under the CPA statute, M.G.L. chapter 44B. As determined during the CPC's project review, eligible preservation work includes the following:
  - √ heating system replacements
  - √ roof and gutter replacements
  - √ window and door replacements
  - √ installation of smoke eliminatorsor similar work items.
- CPA funds shall not be use for rehabilitation or maintenance including, but not limited to, the following work originally proposed in the project application:
  - handicapped accessible doors
  - bathroom retrofitting for people with disabilities
  - concrete landings
  - energy audit
  - heating systems assessment
  - heating system upgrades
- Any preservation work on a building that is older than 60 years shall require consultation with the Acton Historical Commission for a determination if the Secretary of the Interior standards for the preservation of historic resources apply.
- Any significant changes to the project as limited herein shall require CPC approval. Please contact Roland Bartl, Planning Director (978-264-9636; [rbartl@acton-ma.gov](mailto:rbartl@acton-ma.gov)) to help determine what change is significant, and if necessary to schedule an appointment with the CPC.
- Upon full completion of the project, you must certify completion in writing to the assigned staff person. Once he receives your certification, your project account will be closed and no further funds shall be available for this project.

- Any CPA funds awarded to this project and not used upon project completion will be returned to the general CPA fund of the Town and made available for future appropriation by Town Meeting for other projects.
- Good publicity for your project is very important. It is exciting for Acton citizens to know where their CPA funds are being spent. It is also essential that the CPA remains strong at the State level. Therefore, the CPC asks that you make every effort to credit the source of this funding in written materials and with signs at the project location stating "**This project has been generously supported by the Town of Acton Community Preservation Fund.**" If possible, submit a letter to the Beacon detailing how the funds have benefited your project.

The Community Preservation Committee would appreciate a notice when work on the project has commenced, periodic updates concerning the progress of your project, and especially upon completion. For updates or general questions please contact the CPC via email - [cpc@acton-ma.gov](mailto:cpc@acton-ma.gov), or by calling the Planning Department at (978) 264-9636. Finally, please sign and return to Roland Bartl, the attached acceptance form. Thank you for working in partnership with the CPC to make a significant and lasting difference in our Town.

Sincerely,



Catherine L. Coleman  
Chair  
Community Preservation Committee

cc: Board of Selectmen  
John Murray, Assistant Town Manager  
Roland Bartl, Planning Director  
Karen Kukala, Assistant Finance Director