

At its May 8, 2018 meeting, the CPC voted to recommend to the City Council a total expenditure of \$2, 599,223 in CPA funds for seventeen (17) projects. The CPC determined, among other factors, that the recommended projects met the goals expressed in the Community Preservation Plan, provided a public benefit, addressed a critical need, were shovel-ready, and demonstrated the ability to leverage non-CPA funds.

If approved by the City Council, all projects must enter into a Grant Agreement with the City, and submit regular progress and budget reports. Additional specific conditions are listed as applicable to each project.

CPA FY18 PROJECT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS			
CPA CATEGORY: OPEN SPACE		FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
1	Acushnet Sawmill New Bedford Expansion & Community Garden	Open Space/Recreation Reserve	\$296,341
		Unrestricted Fund	\$73,659
CPA CATEGORY: HISTORIC RESOURCES		FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
2	Schooner Ernestina –Morrissey Rehabilitation	Unrestricted Fund	\$100,000
3	Veterans Transitional Housing Expansion (1060 Pleasant St)	Unrestricted Fund	\$200,000
4	Seamen’s Bethel Continued Restoration	Unrestricted Fund	\$176,396
5	First Baptist Community Theatre	Historic Resources Reserve Fund	\$275,500
6	Sgt. William H. Carney House Restoration	Historic Resources Reserve Fund	\$20,841
		Unrestricted Fund	\$32,959
7	Rotch Jones Duff House Restoration	Unrestricted Fund	\$75,000
8	305-307 Pleasant Street Foreclosure Restoration	Unrestricted Fund	\$105,000
9	Strand Theatre Restoration as Cape Verdean Cultural Center	Unrestricted Fund	\$50,000
10	Zeiterion Theatre Marquee Project	Unrestricted Fund	\$50,000
11	James Arnold Mansion Restoration	Unrestricted Fund	\$48,000
CPA CATEGORY: RECREATION		FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
12	Hazelwood Park Rehabilitation	Unrestricted Fund	\$374,400
13	Abolition Row Park	Unrestricted Fund	\$125,000
14	Buttonwood Diamond 1 Field Lighting	Unrestricted Fund	\$244,000
15	Dias Field Rehabilitation	Unrestricted Fund	\$205,000
16	Brooklawn Basketball Court Upgrades	Unrestricted Fund	\$121,127
17	Buttonwood Brook Trail & Bridges Project	Unrestricted Fund	\$26,000
TOTAL FUNDING			\$2,599,223
FY18 PROJECT RECOMMENDATION BREAKDOWN			
CPA CATEGORY		NUMBER OF PROJECTS	TOTAL CATEGORY AMOUNT
Open Space		1	\$370,000
Historic Resources		10	\$1,133,696
Recreation		6	\$1,095,527

The following project summaries describe the project proposals recommended for CPA funding in FY18.

The full proposals can be found at: <http://www.newbedford-ma.gov/planning/cpc-fy18-submitted-applications/>



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COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
FY18 FUNDING RECOMMENDATION

Date: May 21, 2018
To: The Honorable City Council

PROJECT TITLE:	Continued Restoration of Seamen's Bethel				
PROJECT LOCATION:	15 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford				
APPLICANT /ORGANIZATION:	The New Bedford Port Society				
FUNDING AMOUNT:	\$176,396	CPA CATEGORY:	Historic Preservation	City Ward:	4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The funding will be used for the continued exterior restoration of the post and beam structure to address stabilization of the north and west walls.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING

On May 8, 2018 by a vote of 8-0, with one abstention, the Community Preservation Committee recommended appropriating \$176,396 from the Unrestricted Fund for the Seamen's Bethel Continued Restoration project for a grant to the New Bedford Port Society in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Community Preservation Grant Agreement and for the overall purposes summarized in this document.

ALIGNMENT WITH FY18 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PLAN

The Seamen's Bethel is one of the most significant historic buildings in New Bedford. The continued preservation of this iconic landmark structure will allow its continued service to the community as an educational and interpretive resource as well as provide a venue for multiple uses.

MEASURES OF SUCCESS

This project will allow the Port Society to serve the community through educational programming and increase tourism to the City. The Bethel is now ADA accessible, offers free admission and is open year round. Visitation has increased dramatically including school tours and national and international group tours, and will continue to grow.

FUNDING CONDITIONS

- The Grantee agrees to execute and record a perpetual Preservation Restriction on the CPA funded property which will be approved by the Massachusetts Historical Commission.
- The Grantee agrees to execute the proposed project complying with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, and to secure contractors who have demonstrated experience successfully completing projects to these Standards.
- No disbursements of funds may occur until the project has received all necessary permitting and approvals.
- Other conditions as deemed necessary and defined within the Grant Agreement with the City.

PROJECT BUDGET

FUNDING SOURCES		EXPENSES				
		STUDY	SOFT COSTS*	ACQUISITION	CONSTRUCTION**	TOTAL
1	NEW BEDFORD CPA	\$	\$33,600	\$	\$166,400	\$200,000
2	Existing Port Society Funds	\$	\$24,300	\$	\$107,700	\$132,000
3	Atkinson Bequest	\$	\$18,600	\$	\$91,400	\$110,000
4		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
5		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS		\$	\$76,500	\$	\$365,500	\$442,000

* Soft costs include design, professional services, permitting fees, closing costs, legal, etc.

** Construction refers to new construction, rehabilitation, preservation, restoration work, and/or accessibility related expenses.

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