



Board of Finance

Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall

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1. Agenda

Subject	1.1. Motion to adopt agenda
Meeting	April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall
Category	1. Agenda
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion to adopt agenda

2. Public Forum

Subject	2.1. Verbal Comments
Meeting	April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall
Category	2. Public Forum
Department	Council and Board

Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	open Public Forum close Public Forum

3. Consent Agenda

Subject	3.1. Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated
Meeting	April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall
Category	3. Consent Agenda
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action (Consent) Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated
Subject	3.2. Approval to Execute Master Lease - C/T
Meeting	April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall
Category	3. Consent Agenda
Department	Clerk/Treasurer's Office
Type	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action	to approve and recommend that the City Council authorize Katherine Schad, Chief Administrative Officer, or designee to execute a Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase with NBT Bank for the amount \$1,092,704 with an annual payment of \$177,454 to be paid out of Water Resources, and Recycling Budgets within the approved Fiscal year 2024 Budgets subject to review by the City Attorney's Office

4. Deliberative Agenda

Subject	4.1. Memorandum of Agreement Between Burlington Fire Fighters Association (BFFA) and the City of Burlington regarding Retention Bonus, Article 10.5A of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (FY22-FY25) - CAO, HR and Fire
Meeting	April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall
Category	4. Deliberative Agenda
Department	Clerk/Treasurer's Office
Type	Action
Recommended Action	1. To approve, and recommend that the City Council approve and authorize the Fire Chief to execute on behalf of the City, the proposed Memorandum of Agreement. 2. To recommend that the City Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designee, to effect all necessary budget amendments and transfers of funds to and

from the above-referenced funding sources as needed to pay the proposed retention bonuses.

Subject **4.2. FY23 City of Burlington Tax Increment Financing District Annual Reports to the Vermont Economic Progress Council (VEPC) - C/T**

Meeting April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall

Category 4. Deliberative Agenda

Department Clerk/Treasurer's Office

Type Action
Report

Recommended Action waive the reading, accept the report and place it on file

Subject **4.3. Resolution: Authorization for Refinancing City of Burlington's \$18,840,000 General Obligation Waterfront Tax Increment Note, Series 2023 - C/T and CEDO**

Meeting April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall

Category 4. Deliberative Agenda

Department Clerk/Treasurer's Office

Type Action
Resolution

Recommended Action to recommend that the City Council approved the attached resolution

Subject **4.4. Resolution: Authorization for Reimbursement from Public Improvement Bonds for School District Capital Improvements for Integrated Arts Academy - BSD**

Meeting April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall

Category 4. Deliberative Agenda

Department Burlington School District

Type Action

Recommended Action to recommend that the City Council approve the attached resolution

5. Adjournment

Subject **5.1. Motion to adjourn**

Meeting April 15, 2024 - Special Board of Finance Meeting - Monday, April 15, 2024, 5:00 PM, Bushor Conference Room 1st Floor, City Hall

Category 5. Adjournment

Department Council and Board

Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion to adjourn



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City of Burlington

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Finance and City Council

FROM: Darlene Bayko, Assistant Director of Finance

DATE: April 15, 2024

RE: Approval to Execute Master Lease

Overview

On March 12, 2024, the City of Burlington sent out a Request for Proposals (“RFP”) to solicit proposals from qualified firms to enter into a capital lease agreement (the “Lease”) in the amount of \$1,092,704 for the financing of various fleet purchases which were approved July 18, 2022 & June 20, 2023 by the Board of Finance and City Council. As the motion for that fleet purchase said at the time, financing would be determined by the Clerk/Treasurer’s Office “at a rate not to exceed 5% and a term of up to 7 years.” We now are bringing to the Council those financing terms.

The City determined that the leased assets had a useful life of seven years and the finance term may not exceed the useful life of such asset. The terms of the financing are summarized and are shown in Appendix A attached.

A complete detailed list of proposed Fleet to be leased is shown in Appendix B is attached. Please note that the lease payments will be covered under Water Resources and Recycling.

RFP Process

The RFP was posted to the City’s website, and we sent emails to several reputable leasing companies across the United States. The City received bids as required by the April 1, 2024 deadline from the following firms: Bank Funding, LLC, JP Morgan Chase Bank, NA, M&T Bank, and NBT Bank.

As shown in Appendix A (Attached), we received four bids that were deemed responsive: the lowest bid was \$1,242,200 from NBT Bank followed by M&T Bank \$1,257,934 then BankFunding, LLC for \$1,260,723, and J.P. Morgan Chase for \$1,265,160.

Recommendation

We recommend awarding the contract to the lowest bidder, NBT Bank. Although the City has not worked with NBT previously, we welcome the opportunity.

MOTION:

Board of Finance:

To approve and recommend that the City Council authorize Katherine Schad, Chief Administrative Officer, or designee to execute a Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase with NBT Bank for the amount \$1,092,704 with an annual payment of \$177,454 to be paid out of Water Resources, and Recycling Budgets within the approved Fiscal year 2024 Budgets subject to review by the City Attorney's Office.

City Council:

To approve and authorize Katherine Schad, Chief Administrative Officer, or designee to execute a Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase with NBT Bank for the amount of \$1,092,704 with an annual payment of \$177,454 to be paid out of Water Resources and Recycling Budgets within the approved Fiscal Year 2024 Budgets subject to review by the City Attorney's Office.

Appendix A
City of Burlington, Vermont
Capital Lease Financing
RFP Summary 2024

	BankFunding, LLC	J.P. Morgan		M&T Bank	NBT Bank	
Financed Amount	\$1,092,704	\$1,092,704		\$1,092,704	\$1,092,704	
Term	7 years	7 years		7 years	7 years	
Interest Rate	4.64%	4.60%		4.408%	4.00%	
Total Cost	\$1,260,723	\$1,265,160		\$1,257,934	\$1,242,200	
Payments	Fourteen (14) variable payments, payable semi-annually, first payment due 6/1/2024	Fourteen (14) payments of \$90,368.59, payable semi-annually, first payment due 6/1/2024		Fourteen (14) level payments of \$89,852.42 payment semi-annual, first payment 6/1/2024	Fourteen (14) payments of \$88,728.57, payable semi-annually, first payment due 6/1/2024	
Prepayments	Will have the option to pre-pay the remaining lease balance on any payment date after the first anniversary for 102% of the remaining balance.	Financing may be prepaid in whole, but not in part, prior to maturity on any payment date, with 30 days prior written notice. Payment may be subject to a fixed rate/ "make whole" break funding charge.		Provided there are no events of default Lessee may prepay all, but not less than all, of the lease on any lease payment date for an amount equal to the then remaining principal balance	None	
Notes	In order to hold the interest rate through the date of funding into escrow, Lessee must notify Lessor that the Lessor is the apparent winner of the bid by April 8, 2024. If notice is not received by April 8, 2024, or if funding does not take place by May 8, 2024, the Lease Rate and Lease Payment Amounts may be adjusted up or down in accordance with 79% of any change in 3-year SOFR swap rate	The interest Rate and Payment quoted herein are based on current market rates as indicated by th 4 year SOFR Interest Rate Swap ("Index Rate"), which was 4.086% as of March 29, 2024. For every change in the Index Rate an adjustment will be made to the Interest Rate and Payment in order to maintain Lessor's economics. The final Interest Rate and Payment will be agreed to prior to		M&T does not typically obtain a formal credit approval until after a lease has been awarded.	Origination Fee due at closing: Bank standard 1/4 Point Fee based on Loan Amounts WAIVED! Pricing to be held for 60 days from the date of the term sheet.	

Prepared by Darlene Bayko, Assistant Director of Finance

Appendix B
CITY OF BURLINGTON, VERMONT

FISCAL YEAR 2024 CAPITAL LEASE COST ESTIMATES

RECYCLE	G03	INTERNATIONAL	HV607	RECYCLING TRUCK	\$299,145
STORMWATER	SW02	FORD	MAVERICK	DISTRIBUTION	\$26,523
WATER	Z01	FORD	E-TRANSIT	CARGO VAN	\$56,746
				FLAT BED W AIR	
WATER	Z20	FORD	F550	COMPRESSOR	\$65,897
WATER	ADDITION	GEM	ELXD	FLUSHING UNIT	\$27,347
WATER	ADDITION	FORD	MAVERICK	DISTRIBUTION	\$26,523
WATER	WR01	NISSAN	LEAF	SHARED	\$29,312
			RAM PROMASTER		
POLICE		DODGE	2500	CARES VAN	\$84,995
RECYCLE	G02	INTERNATIONAL	HV607	RECYCLING TRUCK	\$276,921
WATER	Z13	FORD	F350	ONE TON TRUCK	\$58,940
WATER	Z13V	VERMEER	ECO25	VAC UNIT	\$32,324
WATER	Z312	FORD	F550	SERVICE TRUCK	\$108,031
FY24 TOTAL					<u>\$1,092,704</u>

Board of Finance and City Council Submission ChecklistDepartment: Clerk Treasurer Office Submitter: Darlene BaykoTitle/Subject: Fiscal Year 2024 Fleet Master Lease Approval

	Approval:	Meeting Date:
☐	Board of Finance	Click or tap to enter a date.
☐	City Council	Click or tap to enter a date.
☒	Concurrent	4/15/2024

This form must be completed by the person submitting the materials, and sent with the final submission. Please do not indicate that a signoff was received until it has actually been obtained.

Signoffs Received

Signoff Needed	Received	Date Received	Note
Department Head	Yes	4/9/2024	Katherine Schad
Mayor's Office informed and approved memo	N/A		Click or tap here to enter text.
Board/Commission, if required	N/A	Click or tap to enter a date.	Click or tap here to enter text.
City Attorney's Office has approved contract and/or legal documents, -Identify attorney in note	N/A	Click or tap to enter a date.	Click or tap here to enter text.
City Attorney's Office has approved memo and motion(s) or resolution(s) -Identify attorney in note	Yes	4/9/2024	Erik Ramakrishnan
CAO has reviewed budget, financing, and memo	Yes	4/9/2024	Click or tap here to enter text.
Human Resources, if personnel action -Identify HR Manager in note	N/A	Click or tap to enter a date.	Click or tap here to enter text.
CIO, if an IT-related investment/purchase	N/A	Click or tap to enter a date.	Click or tap here to enter text.

Materials Included

	Included?	Note
Final Memo Attached?	Yes	Click or tap here to enter text.
Contract Attached, if applicable?	Choose an item.	Click or tap here to enter text.
Additional Materials, if necessary	Yes	Appendix A & B
Draft Resolution or Motion?	Yes	Click or tap here to enter text.
If for submission to Council, are sponsors identified?	Choose an item.	Click or tap here to enter text.



Date: April 15, 2024

To: Board of Finance and City Council

From: Katherine Schad, Chief Administrative Officer
Kerin Durfee, Director of Human Resources
Michael LaChance, Fire Chief

CC: Mayor Emma Mulvaney-Stanak

Memo: Memorandum of Agreement Between Burlington Fire Fighters Association (BFFA) and the City of Burlington regarding Retention Bonus, Article 10.5A of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (FY22-FY25)

Overview:

During the most recent negotiations between the City and the BFFA, the parties agreed to article 10.5A which states: "The parties will agree on an appropriate distribution system of annual retention bonuses based on tenure..." After signing the agreement, the collective bargaining teams for both the City and BFFA continued to meet over a period of months and have reached agreement on the attached system for distribution of the annual retention bonuses. This system was voted on by the members of the BFFA and has the support of the City's bargaining team and Mayor.

This system balances affordability while also recognizing the dedication and contributions of the dedicated members of the BFFA at 3-year increments until they get to Year 21. Both parties have agreed that if article 10.5A is modified or removed in the future, that the Memorandum of Agreement is no longer valid or enforceable by either party.

Finances:

- MOA Plan Year 1/FY23 the budget will come from the assigned fund balance, money originally reserved for regional dispatch which is no longer needed will cover this expense
- MOA Plan Year 2/FY24 the budget will come from the increased ambulance revenues of the Fire department
- MOA Plan Year 3/FY25 we will include this expense in the forthcoming budget

Requested Actions:

Board of Finance:

1. To approve, and recommend that the City Council approve and authorize the Fire Chief to execute on behalf of the City, the proposed Memorandum of Agreement.
2. To recommend that the City Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designee, to effect all necessary budget amendments and transfers of funds to and from the above-referenced funding sources as needed to pay the proposed retention bonuses.

City Council:

1. To approve the proposed Memorandum of Agreement and authorize the Fire Chief to execute it on behalf of the City.
2. To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designee, to effect all necessary budget amendments and transfers of funds to and from the above-referenced funding sources as needed to pay the proposed retention bonuses.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

BURLINGTON FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 3044 AND THE CITY OF BURLINGTON
RE: ANNUAL RETENTION BONUS, ARTICLE 10.5A OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
AGREEMENT ('22-'25)

This is an Agreement between the Burlington Firefighters' Association ("BFFA" or "Union") and the City of Burlington ("City"), acting by and through the Fire Department, collectively the "Parties", meant to memorialize the Parties' understanding and agreement of a distribution system and the terms and conditions relevant to payment of retention bonuses to members of the Union covered by the collective bargaining agreement.

WHEREAS the City and the Department wish to recognize the dedication and contributions of the dedicated members of the BFFA; and

WHEREAS, Article 10.5A of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Parties states that the "[P]arties will agree upon an appropriate distribution of retention bonuses, based on tenure . . ."; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have participated in good faith negotiations to arrive at an agreeable distribution system of retention bonus payments within the spirit of Article 10.5A of the Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to memorialize such through this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, in recognition of the foregoing, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1.) Philip C. Luedee and Sean S. Ploof will each receive a one-time payment of \$10,000.00 in recognition of their twenty-two years of service to the Department and the City of Burlington.
- 2.) Retention Bonuses will be paid out in accordance with the following chart, on the anniversary of an employee's respective employment with the City of Burlington, so long as they are still a covered employee under the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Union at the time of their anniversary date:

Years of Service	Retention Bonus Payout
22 Years or Greater	\$2,500
21 Years	\$10,000
18 Years	\$8,000
15 Years	\$7,000
12 Years	\$6,000
9 Years	\$5,000
6 years	\$4,000
3 Years	\$3,000

3. The retention bonus payments made pursuant to this Agreement shall be added to eligible employees' next regular paychecks as reasonable practicable after the anniversary date of their employment with the City.

4. The Retention Bonuses shall be retro-actively applied to the effective date of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, July 1, 2022.

5. The retention bonus payments shall be subject to all necessary taxes and withholdings as determined by the City. Such sums are understood to be a gross amount and the Union understands and agrees that actual amounts remitted to eligible employees will be on a net basis. The above-mentioned terms, beliefs and conditions are agreed upon by both Parties and shall not be altered or amended unless further agreed upon and reduced to writing by both parties. The Parties agree that this Memorandum of Agreement in no way alters the terms or conditions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Union, and that if Article 10.5A of the Collective Bargaining Agreement is modified or removed in the future, that this Memorandum of Agreement is no longer valid or enforceable by either party.

Dated at Burlington, VT this ____ day of April 2024.

City of Burlington

Burlington Fire Fighters Association, Local 3044

By: _____
Michael LaChance, Fire Chief

By: _____
Kyle Blake, President - Duly Authorized Agent

	MOA plan year 1	MOA plan year 2	MOA plan year 3	MOA plan contract total
Luedee, Philip C.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 407,000.00
Ploof, Sean S.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	Retired	
Laramie, Christopher S.		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Aumand, Francis X. IV		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Macbeth, Aaron R.		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Wilson, Dennis E.		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Franzen, Christopher A		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Charney, Michael J.		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Sullivan, Christopher G.		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	
Barrett, Thomas J.			\$ 10,000.00	
Edgerley, Philip J.			\$ 10,000.00	
O'Brien, Kevin M.	\$ 8,000.00			
McDonough, Mark W.		\$ 8,000.00		
Ferris, Timothy J.		\$ 8,000.00		
Burns, Timothy P.	\$ 7,000.00			
Perkins, Nathan R.	\$ 7,000.00			
Wilson, Braddon E.	\$ 7,000.00			
Mathieu, Bryan J.	\$ 7,000.00			
Pitrowiski, Andrew J.		\$ 7,000.00		
Raymond, Jeremy		\$ 7,000.00		
Colgrove, Timothy J.			\$ 7,000.00	
Critchlow, Thomas	\$ 6,000.00			
Lanphear, Kathleen M.	\$ 6,000.00			
Anderson, Kyle R.	\$ 6,000.00			
Cochran, Eric D.		\$ 6,000.00		
Jordan, Michael		\$ 6,000.00		
Moniz, John H.		\$ 6,000.00		
Porter, Joshua J.		\$ 6,000.00		
Savoy, Adam M.		\$ 6,000.00		
LaBombard, Michael D.	\$ 5,000.00			
Alexander, Kevin D	\$ 5,000.00			
Kirtlink, Joshua	\$ 5,000.00			
Trudo, Kyle	\$ 5,000.00			
Stewart, Patrick	\$ 5,000.00			
Fitzpatrick, Ryan J.	\$ 5,000.00			
Hoodiman, Thomas D.	\$ 5,000.00			

	MOA plan year 1	MOA plan year 2	MOA plan year 3	MOA plan contract total
Charest, Jason M.	\$ 5,000.00			
Blake, Kyle	\$ 5,000.00			
Virnig, Andrew T.			\$ 5,000.00	
Ploof, Ryan J.			\$ 5,000.00	
Lyons, William A			\$ 5,000.00	
Casavant, Eric M.	\$ 4,000.00			
Bonoyer, Casey J.	\$ 4,000.00			
Gulia, Gina		\$ 4,000.00		
Mund, Camden		\$ 4,000.00		
Rice, Frank			\$ 4,000.00	
Gavelis, Derek			\$ 4,000.00	
Bronson, Jenny			\$ 4,000.00	
Paul, Jason	\$ 3,000.00			
Shaw, Benjamin		\$ 3,000.00		
Smith, Jason S.		\$ 3,000.00		
DeThomasis, Nick		\$ 3,000.00		
Stratton, Robert		\$ 3,000.00		
O'Grady, Connor		\$ 3,000.00		
Schafsteck, Nathan		\$ 3,000.00		
Bettencourt, Brian		\$ 3,000.00		
Husbands, John			\$ 3,000.00	
Delzer, Riley A.			\$ 3,000.00	
Sparks, Brett			\$ 3,000.00	
Fiske, Collin P.			\$ 3,000.00	
Doig, Ian			\$ 3,000.00	
Wells, Jacob			\$ 3,000.00	
Mead, Harrison			\$ 3,000.00	
Walters, Dawson C.			\$ 3,000.00	
Andrade, Nicholas			\$ 3,000.00	
Guido, Christopher			\$ 3,000.00	
LaBombard, Bradley			\$ 3,000.00	
McCormick, Ian			\$ 3,000.00	
Jung, Brenden			\$ 3,000.00	
Markovsky, Jared				
Birecki, Jackson				
Corron, Logan				
Barlow, Tye				
Nault, Norman				
Reinfurt, Christopher				
Van Vuuren, Arie				
Epidy, Theodore				
Rathbun, Samuel				

	MOA plan year 1	MOA plan year 2	MOA plan year 3	MOA plan contract total
Johnson, Alec				
Cantwell, Justin				
Macaluso, Adam				
O'Connor, Sean				
Vacant Position				
Vacant Position				
Vacant Position				
Vacant Position				
	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 164,000.00	\$ 113,000.00	

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City of Burlington Capital Program

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MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Finance & City Council

Fr: Ashley Parker, Capital Program Director

Cc: Brian Pine, CEDO Director
Joseph Turner, City Assessor
Katherine Schad, CAO

Re: FY23 City of Burlington TIF District Reports to the Vermont Economic Progress Council (VEPC)

Date: April 15, 2024

Under state law, the City is required to report annually on the status of its two Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts. City staff have worked interdepartmentally, with VEPC and the Vermont Department of Taxes to compile these reports. We are now certifying to the municipal legislative body (City Council) the amount by which the value within the stated fiscal year within each of our two tax increment financing (TIF) districts has increased or decreased relative to the original taxable value (OTV) for each of the respective districts and that the information provided in the reports represent true and accurate statements. Having thus certified and presented these reports to Burlington's municipal legislative body as required by law, we will then execute the certification forms which are included in the materials provided with the attached Waterfront TIF District and Downtown TIF District reports for FY23. These reports will next be certified and submitted by Mayor Mulvaney-Stanak to VEPC on or before May 1, 2024. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.



Tax Increment Financing District
Vermont Economic Progress Council
Vermont Department of Taxes

VEPC Staff Contact Information:
Angie Farrington, (802) 461-6421, angela.farrington@vermont.gov

Reports are due on or before January 1, 2024
Please submit reports to accd.vepctifannualreport@vermont.gov
Please submit GL22 TIF Proceeds Report with the District Annual Report

I. District Information:

Municipality & District **Burlington: Waterfront TIF District**

Reporting Period: **July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023**

Name of Person Completing Report **Ashley Parker**
Title **Capital Program Director**
Email Address **aparker@burlingtonvt.gov**
Telephone **802-734-0292**
Date Report Completed **12/29/2023**

Grand List Year: **2022**

NOTE: All information reported on this form by the municipality must be for the Reporting Period and Grand List Year identified above.

II. TIF District Data:

Base Data (Original Taxable Value)		1996 Value	2010 Value	2 Parcels	All Others
Municipal		\$ 42,412,900	\$ 122,127,620	OTV Total Acres 0.31	104.91
Homestead- Education		\$ 1,728,200	\$ 18,908,100	OTV Total Parcels 2	111
Non Residential- Education		\$ 40,684,700	\$ 103,219,520	Parcel Information (All Parcels)	
Total Education		\$ 42,412,900	\$ 122,127,620		
Taxable Values as of April 1		Cherry St - 2 Parcels	Full District	Current Acres	104.47
Municipal		\$ 30,297,700	\$ 151,817,800	Current Parcels	109
Commercial 120% Surcharge		\$ 2,805,800	\$ 12,324,860	Tax Rates Applied to the April 1 Grand List	
Homestead- Education			\$ 25,439,100		
Non Residential- Education		\$ 30,297,700	\$ 126,095,732		
Total			\$ 151,534,832		
Increase (Decrease) in Taxable Values (auto-calculated)		From 1996 Value	From 2010 Value	List Special Municipal Tax Rates	
Municipal		\$ 79,714,720	\$ 59,987,880		
Homestead- Education		\$ 17,179,900	\$ 6,531,000		
Non Residential- Education		\$ 62,534,820	\$ 22,876,212		
Total Education		\$ 79,714,720	\$ 29,407,212		
TIF Increment Revenue Retained for Reporting Year*					
Municipal		\$ 775,134			
Commercial 120% Surcharge		\$ 87,285			
DID Lump Sum		\$20,880.33			
Homestead- Education		\$ 306,688		Total Special Municipal Tax Rates	
Non Residential- Education		\$ 1,118,955			
Total Education		\$ 1,425,643		Total Municipal (General Fund) & Special Rates	
Total TIF Revenue		\$ 2,308,941			

***Provide VEPC with documentation of the calculation of increment.**

Other TIF Fund Income				
	Source	Education	Municipal	Total
1		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2				\$ -
3			\$ -	\$ -
4			\$ -	\$ -
5			\$ -	\$ -
Total:		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Changes to Individual Parcels		
	SPAN Number	Describe Change
1	114-035-14455	Added and elevator that was not previously accounted for
2	114-035-14861	Valuation methodology was changed due to property use
3	114-035-20755	Rental and vacancy rates were adjusted
4	114-035-20792	Small adjustment due to a calculation error
5	114-035-20808	Small adjustment due to a calculation error
6	114-035-52634	Rental and vacancy rates were adjusted

Additional Information

III. Votes and Financing:

Public Vote Information. Check the appropriate box. Make sure to provide the date if information has been submitted to VEPC.

- ☐ No public votes or debt obligations occurred during this reporting period.
- ☒ Yes there were public votes and/or debt obligations during this reporting period.
- ☒ Vote and debt obligation documents were submitted to VEPC. (Enter date submitted)
- ☐ Vote and debt obligation documents are uploaded with this report.

Date Submitted: 9/11/2023

Debt Instruments									
Infrastructure and Debt	Term in Years	Period (ie. 1/1/2016-12/31/2026)	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Total	Total Payment for Reporting Period	Remaining Principal Balance	Date Approved by Voters
Existing Debt:									
1 Waterfront Renovation Project (Interfund Transfer - Bike Path & Waterfront North)	10	2014 Series B (2014-2024)	4.28%	\$ 7,800,000	\$ 1,143,738	\$ 8,943,738	\$ 840,743	\$ 1,560,000	11/6/2012 + 3/4/2014
2 Moran Redevelopment	10	2014 HUD Sec 108 10 Years (2015-2025)	5.00%	\$ 2,091,000	\$ 185,694	\$ 2,276,694	\$ 208,484	\$ 563,000	3/4/2014
3 Waterfront Fishing Pier	5	2016B COPS 5 Years (2015-2021)	5.00%	\$ 143,489	\$ 17,959	\$ 161,448			2006
4 Lakeview , College, Westlake Garage	9	2016A COPS 9 Years (2016-2024)	5.00%	\$ 5,145,000	\$ 1,098,078	\$ 6,243,078	\$ 594,375	\$ 1,125,000	2006
General Obligation Waterfront Tax Increment Bond Series 2018E	8	11/28/2018-5/1/2025	5.00%	\$ 745,000	\$ 119,180	\$ 864,180	\$ 130,480	\$ 245,000	3/4/2014
5 Series 2018C - Burlington Harbor Marina, ECHO	8	11/28/2018-5/1/2025	5.00%	\$ 405,000	\$ 76,106	\$ 481,106	\$ 75,000	\$ 135,000	3/4/2014
6 New Moran Inc. \$3,559,000; BTC Public Improvement \$801,000	6	Series 2019 12/20/2019-06/30/2025	2.61%	\$ 4,360,000	\$ 573,369	\$ 4,933,369	\$ 248,690	\$ 3,850,273	3/4/2014
New Debt:									
Example: Main Street Lights - General Obligation Bond	11	1/1/2016-12/31/2025	5.60%	\$ 3,250,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 340,909	\$ 2,950,000	
7 City Place Burlington, \$18,840,000; Series 2023									11/1/2016
8									
Total				\$ 20,689,489	\$ 3,214,124	\$ 23,903,613	\$ 2,097,772	\$ 7,478,273	

Annual Debt Service	
Principal Paid	\$ 1,821,636
Interest Paid	\$ 276,135
Fees/Other Costs Paid	\$ -
Total Paid	\$ 2,097,772

Refinancing. Was any portion of TIF District debt refinanced during this reporting period?
☐ No
☐ Yes, please provide details.

Direct Payments: Enter the total amount of any TIF direct payments made during this period.	\$ -	Date Approved by Voters:	
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Additional Information

The City closed on financing in the form of a Note in June 2023. As a result, the City does not have an amortization schedule as of yet. Attached to this report is a Memo from the City's Bond Counsel that details this financing tool, including how it serves as an indebtedness tool and which types of expenses are eligible for reimbursement. Also attached to this memo is another memo that was provided to VEPC in March 2023 to describe this financing tool and the City's overall financing plan for the remaining projects in this District.

IV. Improvements and Funding:

Improvement Expenditures				
Name of Improvement	Of the Total Expenditure listed:		Total Improvement Expenditure for this report period	
	The amount paid with TIF Revenues	The amount paid with Non-TIF Revenues		
1 Bike Path				
Completed in FY17.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2 Waterfront Access North				
Completed in FY19.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
3 Waterfront Park Upgrades				
Completed in FY19.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
4 Moran Building				
The City cut the Ribbon on the Moran Frame project in November 2022, opening this new park, anchored by the distinctive tiered-shape of the Moran structure, to the public for the first time and completing the transformation of the northern waterfront. Completion of construction included final site work with a network of gravel paths and grassy areas, distinctive lighting, safety signage, the return of the original, "City of Burlington" letters and interpretive panels available in the City's top ten languages via a QR code. There is a small amount of remaining work for FY24 to close out the Environmental Reporting.	\$ 71,288	\$ -	\$ 71,288	
5 Lake Champlain Community Sailing Center				
Completed in FY18.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
6 Burlington Harbor Marina				
Completed in FY19.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
7 ECHO Sustainability Park				
Completed in FY19.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
8 Cherry & Bank Street Streetscape Improvements (Street improvements to the City's "Great Streets" standards for six blocks of public rights of way on Cherry Street (from Battery to Church Street) and Bank Street (from Pine to Church Street))				
In FY 22 an Amended Development Agreement executed. Design advancement for the Streetscape improvements has resumed. Construction to start FY 2024 (see additional comments in Current TIF Activity at the end of Section V of this report)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
9 St. Paul Street Extension (Acquisition and construction of St. Paul Street, creating new blocks of City Public rights of way).				
In FY 22 an Amended Development Agreement executed. Design advancement for the Streetscape improvements has resumed. Construction to start FY 2024 (see additional comments in Current TIF Activity at the end of Section V of this report)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
10 Pine Street Extension (Acquisition and construction of Pine Street, creating new blocks of City Public rights of way).				
In FY 22 an Amended Development Agreement executed. Design advancement for the Streetscape improvements has resumed. Construction to start FY 2024 (see additional comments in Current TIF Activity at the end of Section V of this report)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

Total	\$	71,288	\$	-	\$	71,288
				Check	\$	71,288

Sources of Non-TIF Revenues		Total Amount Secured for Each Source	Total Amount Spent to Date	Total Amount Spent this Period	Closed
1	VT Trans Revenue	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ -	X
2	VT Sales Tax Reallocation	\$ 229,498	\$ 229,498	\$ -	X
3	Developer's Payment	\$ 144,037	\$ 144,037	\$ -	X
4		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	☐
5		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	☐
6		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	☐
7		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	☐
8		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	☐
Total		\$ 2,873,535	\$ 2,873,535	\$ -	
Non-TIF Revenues Reported under Improvement Expenditures				\$ -	

Related Costs					
	List and describe the related cost(s)	Vendor	The amount paid with Education Revenue	The amount paid with Municipal Revenue	Total Cost for this report period
1	Municipal Staff Time and Benefits	Community & Economic Development Office (CEDO)	\$ -	\$ 74,074	\$ 74,074
2	Professional Consultant Services	See attached Prof & Consult Vendor Breakdown	\$ 189,965	\$ 117,707	\$ 307,672
3	State Audit Expenses	State Auditor's Office	\$ 147,402	\$ 91,334	\$ 238,736
4			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total			\$ 337,367	\$ 283,115	\$ 620,482
				Check	\$ 620,482
				Check	\$ -

V. Performance Indicators:

Standard

Real Property Development		
1	Burlington Harbor Marina	
	Burlington Harbor Marina (75 Penny Lane) - public parking improvements and public infrastructure were built in support of this private development project - the property became taxable for the April 1, 2020 Grand List	\$786,900
2	ECHO	
	ECHO (1 College St) - tax exempt property - project completed and reported FY 2020	\$15,200,600
3	Lake Champlain Community Sailing Center	
	Lake Champlain Community Sailing Center (505 Lake St) - tax exempt property - project completed and reported FY 2018	\$2,563,500
4	Moran Frame	
	Moran Frame (475 Lake St) Phase 1A completed its finishing touches in FY 2023 - a tax exempt City property, operated by the Department of Parks and Recreation - Benefit to the City and the State come in the form of increased enhancement of the City's Waterfront - translating to tourist dollars (tax revenues to include Rooms and Meals tax, etcetera), and increased property values throughout the City and the County by virtue of the vitality of the City's Waterfront	\$2,262,400
CityPlace Real Property Development		
5	Phase 1: CityPlace, Retail, Parking, & Storage:	
	(130 Cherry St) During this reporting period, CityPlace Partners began site work and construction of the foundation/podium for the South Tower. As part of this scope of work, the subsurface utilities and footings were installed and the foundation/podium was completed. Just after this reporting period closed, the steel was erected and vertical construction on the South Tower got underway.	

6	Phase 1: CityPlace Residential/ Housing:	
	(130 Cherry St) During this reporting period, CityPlace Partners began site work and construction of the foundation/podium for the South Tower. As part of this scope of work, the subsurface utilities and footings were installed and the foundation/podium was completed. Just after this reporting period closed, the steel was erected and vertical construction on the South Tower got underway. CPP has shifted the uses on this site to include about 30 housing units and a hotel along with ground floor retail and a portion of the public parking to be located in the public parking garage. Exact housing unit and hotel room counts are yet to be determined.	\$10,970,200
7	Phase 2: Hotel:	
8	Phase 2: Residential/ Housing:	
9	Phase 2: Retail & Parking:	
Total		\$31,783,600

Employment Opportunities	
Completion of the City's 2012 and 2014 TIF projects has directly spurred activity and vibrancy at Burlington's Waterfront (now one of the State's top tourist destinations). New businesses along Lake Street, Battery Street and Cherry Street now thrive in locations where previously no economic activity was occurring at all (potentially next years report will provide actual data updates for this project).	

Additional Information	
The above reported properties constitute active development of the Waterfront TIF District which has taken place (and/or will potentially take place) under the City's Waterfront TIF District Reconciliation Plan. Development activity which took place within the Waterfront TIF District during the years prior to the adoption of the reconciliation plan has been otherwise documented in other sources and reports. Further details concerning the advancement of the CityPlace Partners project is provided in Current TIF Activity at the end of Section V of this report. That project commenced construction midway through FY 2023 and projects a Grand List assessment of \$120 million on the main parcel (with an additional future phase of development projected for the two smaller parcels). Further details will be provided as part of the City's upcoming Substantial Change Request for the Waterfront TIF District in early 2024.	

Mandated

Jobs at June 30, 2021						
	NAICS Code	Increase or (Decrease)	Previous Location (if known)		NAICS Code	Increase or (Decrease)
1	11			11	53	
2	21			12	54	
3	22			13	55	
4	23			14	56	
5	31-33			15	61	
6	42			16	62	
7	44-45			17	71	

8	48-49	6	
9	51		
10	52		

18	72		
19	81		
20	92		
Total Jobs Increase (Decrease)			6

Identify Source/Method for Obtaining Jobs Information

See the attached report. Burlington staff used State data-bases to generate district-wide estimates - thereby offering employment numbers with high and low estimates for each entity in the various sectors. We then utilize the median each sector to populate this table and gauge total growth.

Vermont Firms						
Name of Vermont Firm		Total amount of work performed		Name of Vermont Firm		Total amount of work performed
1	White & Burke	\$ 149,948		11		\$ -
2	Downs Rachlin Martin	\$ 90,356		12		\$ -
3	Paul Frank & Collins, Inc.	\$ 10,139		13		\$ -
4	State of Vermont	\$ 238,736		14		\$ -
5	VEPC	\$ 4,930		15		\$ -
6	DEW	\$ 52,642		16		\$ -
7	Freeman French Freeman	\$ 8,702		17		\$ -
8	VHB	\$ 8,949		18		\$ -
9	Sammel Group Inc.	\$ 995		19		\$ -
10		\$ -		20		\$ -
				Total Amount of Work Performed		\$ 565,396

Additional Information

TIF District Specific

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Affordable Housing Development: CityPlace Partners have chosen to meet the requirements of both the State of VT Priority Housing for Act 250 exemption and the City's Inclusionary Zoning with affordable housing incorporated into the same residential buildings as the market-rate housing.

Moran Frame involves the City addressing removal of decommissioned Generating plant with Brownfields remediation, and creation of a new City Park public facility as the final element of redeveloping the City's northern waterfront. This new public asset will serve as an attraction for locals and tourists.

Housing Changes (optional)			
	Affordable Housing	Market Rate Housing	Total
New	0	0	0
Eliminated	0	0	0

Net Total	0	0	0
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Unforeseen Events: Please describe any unforeseen events (such as flooding) that have impacted the TIF District, its improvement projects, or private developments. Also detail how the municipality is working through those challenges.

An unforeseen event with respect to the affordable housing aspect of CityPlace has required significant effort by the City. As noted in this report, CityPlace Partners shifted their plans for creating the required affordable housing in a fairly major way: they will meet the requirements of both the State of VT Priority Housing for Act 250 exemption and the City's Inclusionary Zoning with affordable housing incorporated into the same residential buildings as the market-rate housing. In addition, the program has evolved to include the development of at least one and very possibly two hotels. This requires amendments to both the zoning permit and the Amended and Restated Development Agreement (ARDA) 2.0.

Current TIF District Activity: Please provide details regarding FY24 activities. This can include updates regarding specific projects, potential substantial change requests, etc.

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ACTUALS - VALUE/INCREMENT/REVENUES					1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
					(GL 2012) (GL 2013) 07/2014-06/2015 (GL 2014) (GL 2015) (GL 2016) (GL 2017) (GL 2018) (GL 2019) (GL 2020) (GL 2021) (GL 2022) (GL 2023) (GL 2024)																										
Non TIF Revenues			Total Secured	Total Expensed																											
Returned TIF to VT (Glabane)			\$ (163,177)	\$ (163,177)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (163,177)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
VT Trans Revenue			\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 750,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
VT Sales Tax Reallocation			\$ 229,498	\$ 229,498	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 159,653	\$ -	\$ 69,845	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
Developer's Payment			\$ 144,037	\$ 144,037	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 144,037	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
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NOT APPLICABLE AT THIS TIME FOR BURLINGTON WATERFRONT TIF DISTRICT.



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TO: Jessica Hertblen, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council (VEPC)

FROM: Brian Pine, CEDO Director

DATE: March 27, 2024

RE: Waterfront TIF District 2023 Annual Report supplemental materials

This memo and the attached file is in response to your request for more information about the history and outcomes of the Waterfront TIF (WTF TIF) District since it was created in 1996.

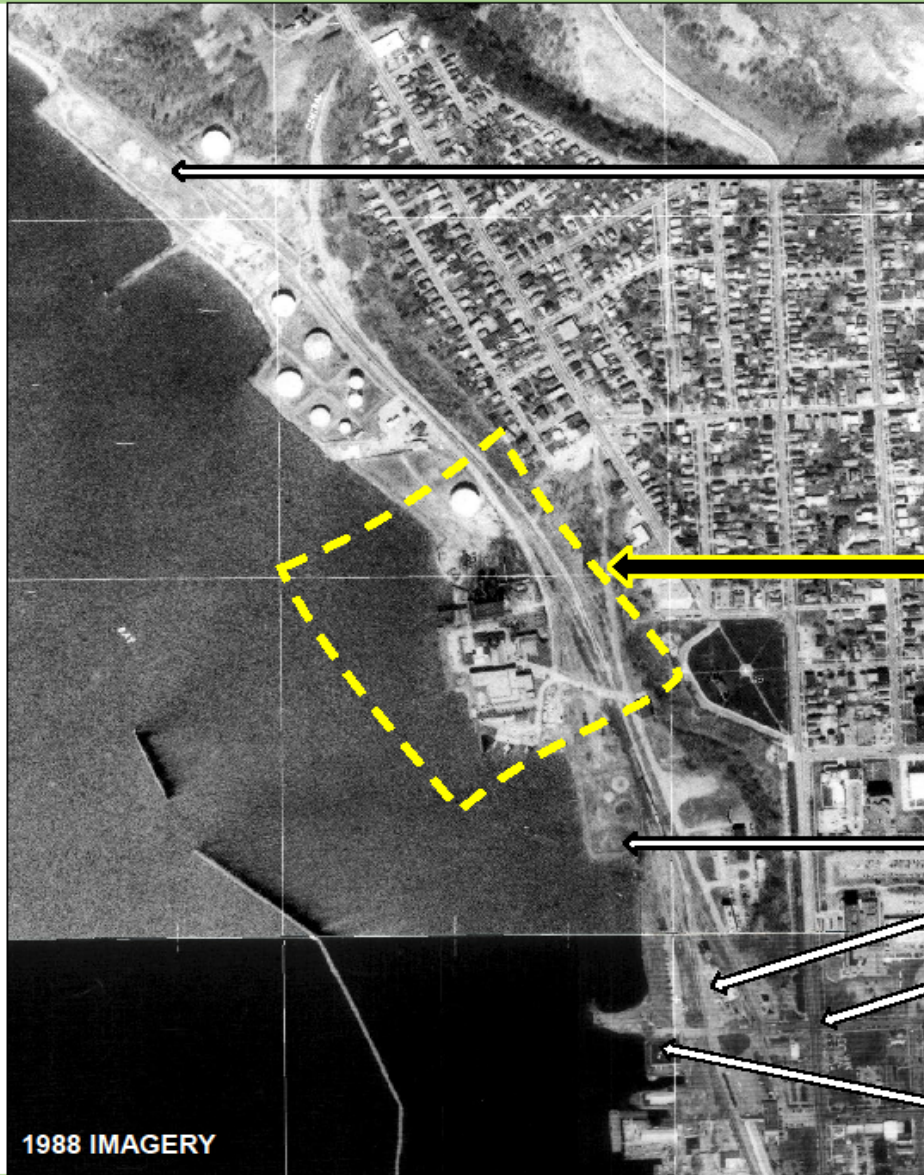
As Vermont's first TIF District, since 1996 the City has made strategic investments in the Waterfront District including public infrastructure upgrades and parking garage additions to stimulate the market for residential development, along with commercial, retail and office market segments. The Original Taxable Value of this District in 1996 was \$42,412,900 and is projected to reach \$146,311,032 when the main portion of the District closes in 2025.

With the passage of Act 134 (effective May 25, 2016), the General Assembly amended § 18 of Act 134 (2013) for three specific parcels within the Burlington WTF TIF District, extending the periods for the District to incur debt to June 30, 2021 and retain municipal and education property taxes to June 30, 2035, subject to meeting certain benchmarks which were met. This extended District is expected to generate an additional \$115,000,000 in taxable value from the redevelopment of CityPlace and an additional \$60,000,000 from so-called Phase 2 expected on the remaining land from the three parcels that were extended by the legislature. This is expected to bring the total value in the district to \$320 million by 2029. All together, the City has invested \$28,127,135 in public improvements to stimulate growth and development described in this material.

The infrastructure improvements to Lake Street, the Westlake Garage, and the Lakeside Parking Garage have encouraged business growth. Private "anchor projects" include the Courtyard Marriot Hotel, Westlake Residential (34 condos), Hotel Vermont, a major new office and retail building on Lake Street, and 16 residential condos and 40 residential units of affordable housing also along Lake Street. The massive TIF-funded public improvement project linked to City Place, represents a once-in-a-generation investment to reconnect the heart of our downtown 50 years after the devastating impacts of Urban Renewal.

Other TIF District outcomes include:

- Acquisition and upgrade of Urban Reserve (North 40)
- 29 units of market rate housing at 200 and 216 Lake Street



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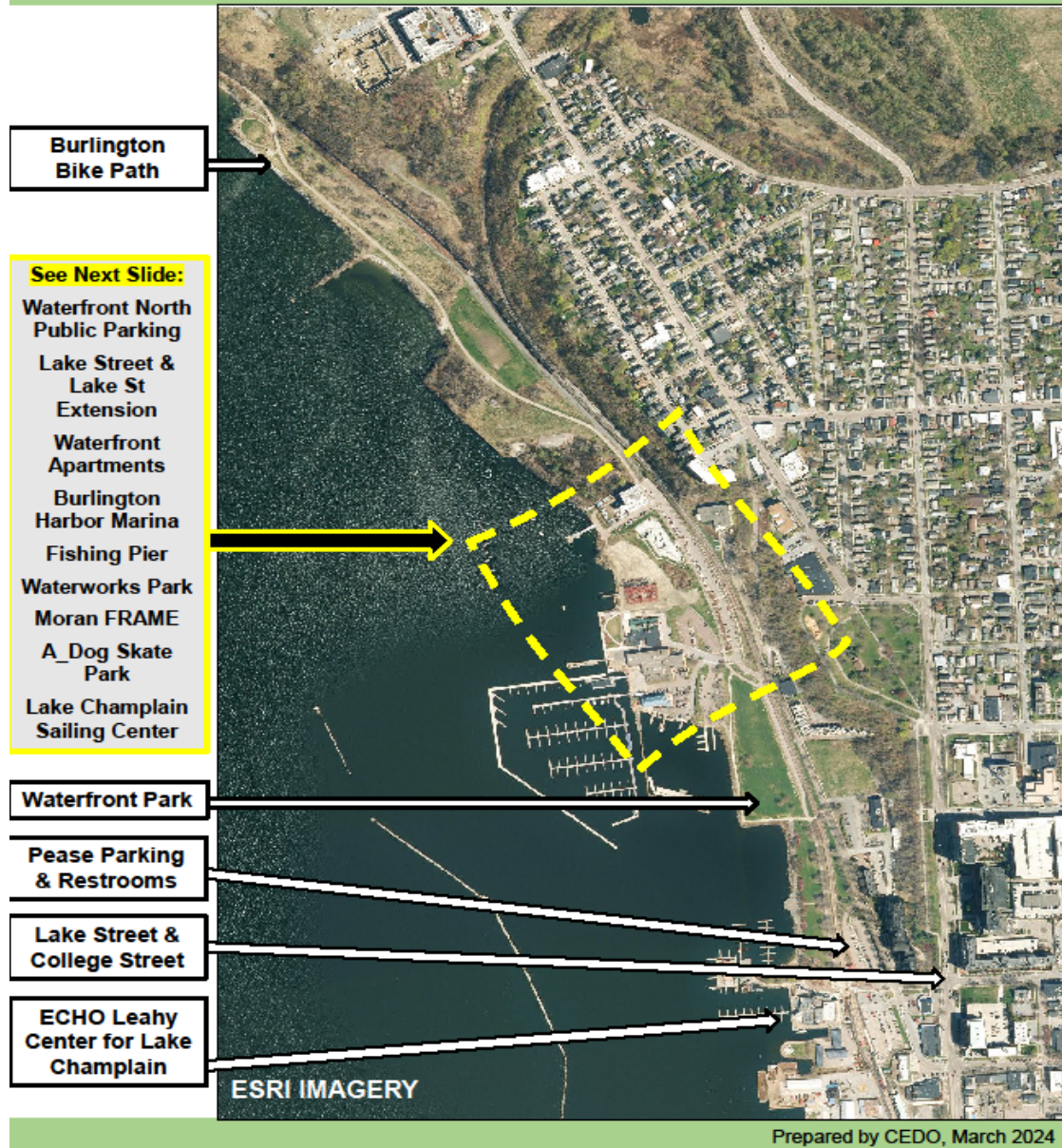
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CERTIFICATION OF INCREMENT AND ANNUAL REPORT

STATUTORY REQUIREMENT: (24 VSA §1895) "As of the date the district is created, the lister or assessor for the municipality shall certify the original taxable value and shall certify to the legislative body in each year thereafter during the life of the district the amount by which the total valuation as determined in accordance with 32 VSA Chapter 129 of all taxable real property located within the tax increment financing district has increased or decreased relative to the original taxable value."

RULE REQUIREMENT: (SECTION 903) "Increase/Decrease in Assessed Valuation: Each year following the year of creation, the listers or assessor shall certify to the municipal legislative body the amount by which the total assessed valuation of taxable properties within the TIF District has increased or decreased compared to the municipal and education OTV. Prior to providing the certification to the municipal legislative body, the listers or assessor shall have the calculation of the increase or decrease, including an examination of the disposition and tax status of each parcel within the District, verified by a second party. Selection of the second party is up to the municipality and may be an individual within or outside of the municipal government. However, the individual should be familiar with parcel listings and valuation, property tax status, and the concepts of OTV and District increment. A copy of the certification of the value and the increase or decrease must be included in the Annual Report required by Section 1004.2 of this Rule along with a certification that a second party reviewed the information. The Council will provide a form on which to provide this certification."

SECTION 1: Certification of Increment by Assessor or Lister and 2nd Party Reviewer

Check both certification boxes and sign this form. If the boxes or signatures are not completed, this form will be considered incomplete. The second party reviewer should be familiar with parcel listings and valuation, property tax status, and the concepts of OTV and District increment.

- ☐ We certify that, per TIF Rule Sections 903 and 1004.2, we have examined and verified the current value, the calculation of the increase or decrease in property values, the disposition and tax status of each parcel within the District, and any other issues relevant to the parcels listed in the Certified OTV Property Report.
- ☐ We have certified to the municipal legislative body, at a regular or duly warned meeting that the information provided in this report represent true and accurate statements.

Signature of Assessor or Lister

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Name: _____

_____ Title

_____ Date

Signature of 2nd Party Reviewer

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Name: _____

_____ Title

_____ Date

SECTION 2: Certification of Annual Report

Provide the date the annual report was presented to the municipal legislative body. Check both certification boxes and sign this form. If the boxes or signatures are not completed, this form will be considered incomplete.

Date report presented to the municipal legislative body: _____

- ☐ I certify that I am an official of the reporting municipality with the authority to report on this TIF District on behalf of the municipality.
- ☐ I certify that the annual report data entered and all documents attached in support of this annual report are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Authorizing Official*

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Name: _____

_____ Title

_____ Date

* Authorizing Official is the Chief Executive Officer of the municipality as defined by 10 VSA § 683(8) such as a Select Board or City Council Member, Town or City Manager, or Town Administrator.



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VEPC Staff Contact Information:
Angie Farrington, (802) 461-6421, angela.farrington@vermont.gov

Reports are due on or before January 1, 2024
Please submit reports to accd.vepctifannualreport@vermont.gov
Please submit GL22 TIF Proceeds Report with the District Annual Report

I. District Information:

Municipality & District	Burlington: Downtown TIF District	Reporting Period:	July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023
Name of Person Completing Report	Ashley Parker	Grand List Year:	2022
Title	Capital Program Director		
Email Address	aparker@burlingtonvt.gov		
Telephone	802-734-0292		
Date Report Completed	12/29/2023		

NOTE: All information reported on this form by the municipality must be for the Reporting Period and Grand List Year identified above.

II. TIF District Data:

Base Data (Original Taxable Value)				
Municipal	\$	170,006,600	OTV Total Acres	61.27
Homestead- Education	\$	3,265,056	OTV Total Parcels	287
Non Residential- Education	\$	166,741,544		
Total Education	\$	170,006,600		
Taxable Values as of April 1				
Municipal	\$	285,445,200		
Commercial 120% Value	\$	15,789,835		
Homestead- Education	\$	10,034,530		
Non Residential- Education	\$	274,873,779		
Total Education	\$	284,908,309		
Increase (Decrease) in Taxable Values (auto-calculated)				
Municipal	\$	115,438,600		
Homestead- Education	\$	6,769,474		
Non Residential- Education	\$	108,132,235		
Total Education	\$	114,901,709		
TIF Increment Revenue Retained for Reporting Year*				
Municipal (100% Share)	\$	817,882		
Commercial 120%	\$	111,824		
DID Sum	\$	25,374		
Homestead- Education	\$	70,526		
Non Residential- Education	\$	1,138,714		
Total Education	\$	1,209,240		
Total TIF Revenue	\$	2,164,320		

Parcel Information		
Current Acres		61.25
Current Parcels		282
Tax Rates Applied to the April 1 Grand List		
Municipal (General Fund)	\$	0.7082
Homestead	\$	1.3891
Non Residential	\$	1.4041

List Special Municipal Tax Rates		
1	DID Tax Rate	
2	Local Exemption	\$ 0.0003
3		\$ -
4		\$ -
5		\$ -
6		\$ -
Total Special Municipal Tax		\$ 0.0003
Total Municipal (General Fund) & Special Rates		\$ 0.7085

*Provide VEPC with documentation of the calculation of increment.

Other TIF Fund Income				
	Source	Education	Municipal	Total
1		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2	Development Agreement Fee*		\$ 260,000	\$ 260,000

3			\$ -	\$ -
4			\$ -	\$ -
5			\$ -	\$ -
		Total:	\$ -	\$ 260,000
			\$ 260,000	\$ 260,000

**Per VEPC approval of October 2020 Substantial Change Request, Development Agreement Fee must be deposited into the TIF Fund.*

Changes to Individual Parcels		
	SPAN Number	Describe Change
1	See below for all parcels	Post COVID Adjustment
2	114-035-15312; 114-035-	Internal Calculation Error
3	114-035-16972	Use Change and upfit change
4	114-035-17267	Fire damage
5	114-035-17485	Lot line change
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Additional Information

Post COVID Adjustment Parcels: #114-035-14879; #114035-15306; #114-035-15307; #114-035-05309; 114-035-15314; #114-035-15315; #114-035-15319; #114-035-15344; #114-035-17078; #114-035-17091; #114-035-17104; #114-035-17188; #114-035-17440; #114-035-17444; #114-035-17464; #114-035-17500; #114-035-20589

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III. Votes and Financing:

Public Vote Information. Check the appropriate box. Make sure to provide the date if information has been submitted to VEPC.

- ☐ No public votes or debt obligations occurred during this reporting period.
- ☒ Yes there were public votes and/or debt obligations during this reporting period.
- ☒ Vote and debt obligation documents were submitted to VEPC. (Enter date submitted)
- ☐ Vote and debt obligation documents are uploaded with this report.

10/20/2022

Debt Instruments									
Infrastructure and Debt		Term in Years	Period (ie. 1/1/2016-12/31/2026)	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Total	Total Payment for Reporting Period	Remaining Principal Balance
New Debt:									
1	Side Streets - Great Streets: St. Paul/Main Streets	19	12/20/2017-11/01/2035	5.00%	\$ 3,400,000	\$ 1,738,852	\$ 5,138,852	\$ 284,850	\$ 2,700,000
2	Great Streets - St. Paul Street, Main Street stormwater improvements, Series 2019=8D	18	11/28/2018-11/1/2035	5.00%	\$ 1,570,000	\$ 803,363	\$ 2,363,362	\$ 137,250	\$ 1,310,000
3	Interfund Loan	5	1/1/2019-12/31/2023	0.00%	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000
New Debt									
Example: Main Street Lights - General Obligation Bond		11	1/1/2016-12/31/2025	5.60%	\$ 3,250,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 340,909	\$ 2,950,000
4	Great Streets - Main Street: General Obligation Downtown Tax Increment Bonds, Series 2022B		8/31/2022-11/1/2035	5.00%	\$ 30,120,000	\$ 11,844,433	\$ 41,964,433	\$ 1,008,183	\$ 30,120,000
5							\$ -		
6							\$ -		
Total					\$ 35,340,000	\$ 14,386,648	\$ 49,716,647	\$ 1,480,283	\$ 34,155,000

Debt Ceiling Approved by VEPC

\$

35,802,725

Annual Debt Service

Principal Paid	\$ 270,000
Interest Paid	\$ 1,210,283
Fees/Other Costs Paid	\$ -
Total Paid	\$ 1,480,283

Refinancing. Was any portion of TIF District debt refinanced during this reporting period?

- ☒ No
- ☐ Yes, please provide details.

Direct Payments: Enter the total amount of any TIF direct payments made during this period.	\$ -	Date Approved by Voters:	
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Additional Information

Please note that the City is including \$115,000 of issuance costs in the total amount of improvements expenditures for the year shown in the next section. You can see this in the attached Final Schedule for Bond Series 2022B. Also, please note that the City is attaching a memo from its Bond Counsel associated with investment earnings related to the Series 2022B. At the close of FY23, the City was showing interest earnings of \$511,616.52. Please let the City know how VEPC would like this information reported in future years.

IV. Improvements and Funding:

Improvement Expenditures					
Name of Improvement		Of the Total Expenditure listed:		Total Improvement Expenditure for this report period	
		The amount paid with TIF Revenues	The amount paid with Non-TIF Revenues		
Phase 1 Filing	1	Streets & Infrastructure: Streetscape, storm water, and utility upgrade improvements.			
		Main - South Union to Battery Streets			
		Contract drawings for this project were completed in FY23 and the Team prepared the project for bidding. The anticipated start of construction is mid-FY24.	\$1,657,405	\$ -	\$ 1,657,405
		St. Paul/Main Concept Design			
		Completed and reported in FY 2020	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		St. Paul - Main to Maple (includes King to Maple with underground)			
		Completed and reported in FY 2020	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		Stormwater - North side Main Street/City Hall Park			
	Completed and reported in FY 2021			\$ -	
	2	Brownfields: Remediation of parking structure site (Brown's Court).			
		Completed and reported in FY 2019	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	3	Parking Structure Upgrades: Church Street Marketplace Garage.			
		Completed and reported in FY 2017	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		Total	\$ 1,657,405	\$ -	\$ 1,657,405
				Check	\$ 1,657,405

Sources of Non-TIF Revenues		Total Amount Secured for Each Source	Total Amount Spent to Date	Total Amount Spent this Period
1	Water Distribution	\$ 95,350	\$ 95,350	\$ -
2	BED Capital	\$ 45,606	\$ 45,606	\$ -
3	Encumbrance Fee Payment(s)	\$ 25,950	\$ 25,950	\$ -
4	Third Party Communications (Outside Utilities)	\$ 156,207	\$ 156,207	\$ -
5	City Capital - Annual Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Bond	\$ 113,591	\$ -	\$ -
6		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
7		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
8		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

9		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		Total	\$ 436,704	\$ 323,113
		Non-TIF Revenues Reported under Improvement Expenditures		\$ -

Related Costs					
	List and describe the related cost(s)	Vendor	The amount paid with Education Revenue	The amount paid with Municipal Revenue	Total Cost for this report period
1	Municipal Staff Time and Benefits	Community & Economic Development Office (CEDO)	\$ -	\$ 32,788	\$ 32,788
2	Professional & Consultant Services	See attached Prof & Consult Svs Vendor Breakdown	\$ 42,221	\$ 53,262	\$ 95,483
3	Municipal Staff Time and Benefits	Department of Public Works (DPW)	\$ -	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000
4			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
			Total	\$ 42,221	\$ 156,050
				Check	\$ 198,271

V. Performance Indicators:

Standard

Real Property Development		
1	Stratos Project (Stuart Chase) - 33 housing units (inc. 5 inclusionary units - Champlain Housing Trust, all others market-rate).	
	193 St. Paul: Project completed and previously reported	\$ 10,174,000

2	Redstone-TD Bank Block - Hotel & compatible use in Armory building w/two decks of parking.	
	161 St. Paul: Hilton Garden Hotel completed	\$ 6,287,200
3	151-157 South Champlain Street - Market rate Housing with required 15% IZ units.	
	For this reporting period, the development commenced on 48 rental housing units. By 6/30/23, the construction reached nearly 60% complete with the occupancy on schedule for January 2024. Although the project met the State of VT requirements for the Priority Housing exemption from Act 250 (20% of units affordable to households at 80% of HUD AMI), the developer chose to make a payment-in-lieu (PII) of meeting the City's IZ requirement that 15% of the	\$ 918,600
4	Eagles - Champlain College - Over 300 beds for Champlain college students.	
	194 St. Paul: Completed in FY 2019 - taxable as an educational facility	\$ 2,556,000
5	Gateway (aka "superblock") - Mixed use redevelopment 20,000 of commercial space and 60,000 SF mixed income housing.	
	145 S. Union & 220 Main St.: During the reporting period, the City engaged various stakeholders in exploring potential redevelopment scenarios for the Memorial Auditorium and the nearby Municipal parking lot. After this reporting period closed, the City Council authorized the Mayor to execute a Letter of Intent with local developers Eric Farrell and Joe Larkin to engage in due diligence to determine the feasibility of a public-private partnership to redevelop some or	\$ 7,194,100
6	South Champlain/Maple Street - Currently surface parking and vacant lot. Concepts by owner - ground floor parking, upper floor offices/residential.	
	193-201 S Champlain St.: TBD - the developer has not advanced a proposal for the site in the City's permitting process.	\$ 449,700
7	121 Pine Street - 30,000 SF residential building.	
	121-123 Pine St: TBD - the developer has not advanced a proposal for the site in the City's permitting process.	\$ 549,700
8	86 Main Street - 23 housing units with ground floor office.	
	TBD - the developer has not advanced a proposal for the site in the City's permitting process.	\$ 1,134,900
9	Former Free Press Property - To be redeveloped into 38 one bedroom apartments with 12,500SF commercial.	
	191 College St: This project was completed in FY 2018	\$ 1,208,300

10	266 College Street - 142 guest room hotel with restaurant	\$ 3,453,600
	During the reporting period, the property owner granted a purchase option to a local developer operating under the business name Green Castle Group (GCG). GCG conducted due diligence and determined the feasibility of an all-residential redevelopment of the former YMCA. A zoning permit for 89 rental housing units was approved in the summer of 2023 and the GCG purchased the property in the fall of 2023. Construction is slated to be underway over the winter of 2024 and the construction is estimated to be complete in the summer of 2025. The project will meet the Champlain Housing Trust- VFW	
11	(176 South Winooski Ave) As of midway through FY 2024, Champlain Housing Trust has secured all necessary permits and financing. Project features 38 units of mostly affordable housing along with community space for a new VFW and about 4,000 square feet of office space for the City's Community Justice Center. More detailed geo-technical assessment is underway in December 2023 with construction to be underway in the spring of 2024. Completion is slated for late 2025.	\$ 1,547,500
Total		\$ 35,473,600

Employment Opportunities

Jobs connected to these projects have been previously reported as the projects were completed. The current capital expenditures for the Main St. Great Streets are primarily design and engineering for this reporting period. The City will document and provide employment figures for redevelopment projects at 157 South Champlain St., former VFW and the former YMCA as these projects advance to completion in the coming year.

Additional Information

Despite previous requests that the VFW property on South Winooski Avenue be added to list set out above, it has not been added by VEPC staff. The City reported the potential redevelopment of that site in its 2021 Substantial Change Request and asked that it be added. As of midway through FY 2024, Champlain Housing Trust has secured all necessary permits and financing. Project features 38 units of mostly affordable housing along with community space for a new VFW and about 4,000 square feet of office space for the City's Community Justice Center. More detailed geo-technical assessment is underway in December 2023 with construction to be underway in the spring of 2024. Completion is slated for late 2025.

Mandated

Jobs at June 30, 2023							
	NAICS Code	Increase or (Decrease)	Previous Location (if known)		NAICS Code	Increase or (Decrease)	Previous Location (if known)
1	11	0		11	53	0	
2	21	0		12	54	0	
3	22	0		13	55	0	
4	23	0		14	56	0	
5	31-33	0		15	61	0	
6	42	0		16	62	0	
7	44-45	56		17	71	0	
8	48-49	0		18	72	(39)	
9	51	0		19	81	(3)	
10	52	0		20	92	0	

Total Jobs Increase (Decrease)	15
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Identify Source/Method for Obtaining Jobs Information

See the attached report. Burlington staff used State data-bases to generate district-wide estimates - thereby offering employment numbers with high and low estimates for each entity in the various sectors. We then utilize the median each sector to populate this table and gauge total growth.

Vermont Firms					
Name of Vermont Firm		Total amount of work performed	Name of Vermont Firm		Total amount of work performed
1	White & Burke	\$ 26,120	11		\$ -
2	Paul Frank & Collins	\$ 3,604	12		\$ -
3	Nancy Winship Milliken Studio, LLC	\$ 1,000	13		\$ -
4	Lydia Kern	\$ 1,000	14		\$ -
5	Noa Younse - Pixel Patch Creative, LLC	\$ 1,000	15		\$ -
6	Clay Mohrman	\$ 1,000	16		\$ -
7	Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.	\$ 1,541,136	17		\$ -
8	Paw Print & Mail	\$ 1,269	18		\$ -
9		\$ -	19		\$ -
10		\$ -	20		\$ -
			Total Amount of Work Performed		\$ 1,576,129

Additional Information**TIF District Specific****Transportation Enhancements**

FY23 saw the continued advancements of the Great Streets Main Street design, which includes Main Street improvements that meet the City's Great Streets standards, as well as stormwater improvement work related to the ravine/sewer portion of the project. Contract drawings were completed in FY23 and the project was prepared for bidding. Construction is slated to begin in mid-FY24.

Affordable Housing Development

Although there are no new completed housing units to report in the Table below for this reporting period, 49 private-sector rental housing units at 157 South Champlain St. reached approximately 60% completion as of 6/30/23. The project will include 10 rental housing units renting at a level that is affordable to households at or below 80% of HUD Area Median Income (AMI). Project is leasing up for initial occupancy in January 2024. The former VFW site on South Winooski Ave. will be under construction in spring of 2024 with CHT developing mixed-use building with 38 affordable housing units and a total of 6,000 square feet of office and community space. This property will be taxed according to State taxation policy. Lastly, the former YMCA is now permitted for 89 mixed-income rental housing units and demolition is underway in late December 2023. The developer has pledged to meet both the State's Priority Housing requirement and the City's IZ requirement resulting in 13 units affordable to households at or below 65% HUD AMI and another 5 units affordable to households at or below 80% of HUD AMI.

Housing Changes

	Affordable Housing	Market Rate Housing	Total
New	0	0	0
Eliminated	0	0	0
Net Total	0	0	0

Unforeseen Events: Please describe any unforeseen events (such as flooding) that have impacted the TIF District, its improvement projects, or private developments. Also detail how the municipality is working through those challenges.

Current TIF District Activity: Please provide details regarding FY24 activities. This can include updates regarding specific projects, potential substantial change requests, etc.

The Main Street Design reached the final design phase in FY23, and the project was put out to bid in early FY24. The resulting bids showed a continuing increase in construction costs, and City plans to discuss this with VEPC during the substantial change request hearing that will take place in Calendar Year 2024. This substantial change is a continuation of the City's July 2023 Substantial Change Request which involves an update to the City's District Financing Plan, and will also include an overview of the current project based on the realities of the Post-COVID inflationary construction economy. As a reminder, VEPC required the City to include the Champlain College Development Fee (\$260,000) in the TIF Fund in FY22; and repay the TIF Fund utilizing a reduction in education increment retention (to 69%) starting in FY24. The City is fully aware of this and will be incorporating that change in the FY24 increment calculation.

Tax Increment Financing District Vermont Economic Progress Council Vermont Department of Taxes							201220132014201520162017201820192020202120222023202420252026202720282029203020312032																					
							(Gl. 2012)	(Gl. 2013)	(Gl. 2014)	(Gl. 2015)	(Gl. 2016)	(Gl. 2017)	(Gl. 2018)	(Gl. 2019)	(Gl. 2020)	(Gl. 2021)	(Gl. 2022)	(Gl. 2023)	(Gl. 2024)	(Gl. 2025)	(Gl. 2026)	(Gl. 2027)	(Gl. 2028)	(Gl. 2029)	(Gl. 2030)	(Gl. 2031)	(Gl. 2032)	
Based on TIF District Phase Filing (Approved November 2014)							Debt Incurred Retention Begins																					
TIF Debt Summary	Status of Debt	Principal	Interest	Total Service	Total Paid																							
1. Interfund Loan - renovation of structured parking facilities	7/1/2016-6/30/2017	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000																							
2. Side Streets - Great Streets: St. Paul/Main Streets	12/20/2017-11/01/2035	\$ 3,400,000	\$ 1,738,852	\$ 5,138,852	\$ 1,472,527																							
3. Great Streets - St. Paul Street, Main Street stormwater improvements, Series 2019-BD	11/28/2018-11/1/2035	\$ 1,570,000	\$ 803,363	\$ 2,373,363	\$ 582,112																							
4. Interfund Loan	1/1/2019-12/31/2023	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ 225,000																							
5. Great Streets - Main Street: General Obligation Downtown Tax Increment Bonds, Series 2022B	8/31/2022-11/1/2035	\$ 30,120,000	\$ 11,844,433	\$ 41,964,433	\$ 1,008,183																							
6. 0	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -																							
7. 0	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -																							
Totals						\$ 3,487,822	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,000	\$ 55,202	\$ 338,762	\$ 469,750	\$ 473,175	\$ 470,650	\$ 1,480,283	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
							\$ 1,480,283.33																					

2033
(est. 2032)

Tax Increment Financing District
Vermont Economic Progress Council
Vermont Department of Taxes

Updated to reflect October 2020 Substantial Change Request

PROPORTIONALITY CHECK										As Approved (Year of Construction)										Actual										2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021		2022		2023																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																										
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CERTIFICATION OF INCREMENT AND ANNUAL REPORT

STATUTORY REQUIREMENT: (24 VSA §1895) "As of the date the district is created, the lister or assessor for the municipality shall certify the original taxable value and shall certify to the legislative body in each year thereafter during the life of the district the amount by which the total valuation as determined in accordance with 32 VSA Chapter 129 of all taxable real property located within the tax increment financing district has increased or decreased relative to the original taxable value."

RULE REQUIREMENT: (SECTION 903) "Increase/Decrease in Assessed Valuation: Each year following the year of creation, the listers or assessor shall certify to the municipal legislative body the amount by which the total assessed valuation of taxable properties within the TIF District has increased or decreased compared to the municipal and education OTV. Prior to providing the certification to the municipal legislative body, the listers or assessor shall have the calculation of the increase or decrease, including an examination of the disposition and tax status of each parcel within the District, verified by a second party. Selection of the second party is up to the municipality and may be an individual within or outside of the municipal government. However, the individual should be familiar with parcel listings and valuation, property tax status, and the concepts of OTV and District increment. A copy of the certification of the value and the increase or decrease must be included in the Annual Report required by Section 1004.2 of this Rule along with a certification that a second party reviewed the information. The Council will provide a form on which to provide this certification."

SECTION 1: Certification of Increment by Assessor or Lister and 2nd Party Reviewer

Check both certification boxes and sign this form. If the boxes or signatures are not completed, this form will be considered incomplete. The second party reviewer should be familiar with parcel listings and valuation, property tax status, and the concepts of OTV and District increment.

- ☐ We certify that, per TIF Rule Sections 903 and 1004.2, we have examined and verified the current value, the calculation of the increase or decrease in property values, the disposition and tax status of each parcel within the District, and any other issues relevant to the parcels listed in the Certified OTV Property Report.
- ☐ We have certified to the municipal legislative body, at a regular or duly warned meeting that the information provided in this report represent true and accurate statements.

Signature of Assessor or Lister

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Name: _____

_____ Title

_____ Date

Signature of 2nd Party Reviewer

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Name: _____

_____ Title

_____ Date

SECTION 2: Certification of Annual Report

Provide the date the annual report was presented to the municipal legislative body. Check both certification boxes and sign this form. If the boxes or signatures are not completed, this form will be considered incomplete.

Date report presented to the municipal legislative body: _____

- ☐ I certify that I am an official of the reporting municipality with the authority to report on this TIF District on behalf of the municipality.
- ☐ I certify that the annual report data entered and all documents attached in support of this annual report are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Authorizing Official*

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Name: _____

_____ Title

_____ Date

* Authorizing Official is the Chief Executive Officer of the municipality as defined by 10 VSA § 683(8) such as a Select Board or City Council Member, Town or City Manager, or Town Administrator.

Board of Finance and City Council Submission Checklist

Department: CT Office Submitter: Ashley Parker

Title/Subject: Certification of FY23 TIF District Annual Reports to VEPC

	Approval:	Meeting Date:
☐	Board of Finance	2/20/2024
☐	City Council	2/26/2024
☒	Concurrent	4/15/2024

This form must be completed by the person submitting the materials, and sent with the final submission. Please do not indicate that a signoff was received until it has actually been obtained.

Signoffs Received

Signoff Needed	Received	Date Received	Note
Department Head	Yes	4/9/2024	Katherine Schad
Mayor's Office informed and approved memo	N/A	4/9/2024	Click or tap here to enter text.
Board/Commission, if required	Choose an item.	Click or tap to enter a date.	Click or tap here to enter text.
City Attorney's Office has approved contract and/or legal documents, -Identify attorney in note	Choose an item.	Click or tap to enter a date.	Click or tap here to enter text.
City Attorney's Office has approved memo and motion(s) or resolution(s) -Identify attorney in note	Yes	4/9/2024	Erik Ramakrishnan
CAO has reviewed budget, financing, and memo	Yes	4/9/2024	Katherine Schad
Human Resources, if personnel action -Identify HR Manager in note	Choose an item.	Click or tap to enter a date.	Click or tap here to enter text.
CIO, if an IT-related investment/purchase	Choose an item.	Click or tap to enter a date.	Click or tap here to enter text.

Materials Included

	Included?	Note
Final Memo Attached?	Yes	Click or tap here to enter text.
Contract Attached, if applicable?	Choose an item.	Click or tap here to enter text.
Additional Materials, if necessary	Yes	District Certification Forms & Final Annual reports for certification from VEPC
Draft Resolution or Motion?	N/A	Click or tap here to enter text.
If for submission to Council, are sponsors identified?	Choose an item.	Click or tap here to enter text.

Resolution Relating to

AUTHORIZATION FOR REFINANCING CITY OF
BURLINGTON’S \$18,840,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION
WATERFRONT TAX INCREMENT NOTE, SERIES 2023

RESOLUTION _____
Sponsor(s): Bd. of Finance
Introduced: _____
Referred to: _____
Action: _____
Date: _____
Signed by Mayor: _____

CITY OF BURLINGTON

In the year Two Thousand Twenty-Four.....

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

- 1
- That WHEREAS, on January 22, 1996, the City Council created the Waterfront Tax Increment Finance
- 2
- (TIF) District along the central and northern end of the Burlington waterfront; and
- 3
- WHEREAS, in June of 1997, the City Council authorized an expansion of the Waterfront TIF District
- 4
- to include property extending along the south side of Cherry Street from Battery Street to Church Street,
- 5
- utilizing a special TIF grandfathering provision of Act 60 (1997); and
- 6
- WHEREAS, on May 25, 2016, the Vermont legislature authorized the City to extend by ten years the
- 7
- debt retention period within the Waterfront TIF District for the properties which together comprise the
- 8
- Burlington Town Center property (the “Property”), in accordance with a request from the City for purposes of
- 9
- enabling redevelopment of the Property; and
- 10
- WHEREAS, at a special meeting of the City held on November 8, 2016 the voters authorized the City
- 11
- Council to pledge the credit of the City to secure the repayment of indebtedness or make direct payments for
- 12
- the purpose of funding one or more public improvements and related costs attributable to projects serving the
- 13
- Waterfront TIF District, including Pine Street Acquisition, Construction and Streetscape Improvements, St.
- 14
- Paul Street Acquisition, Construction and Streetscape Improvements, Cherry Street Streetscape Upgrades,
- 15
- Bank Street Streetscape Upgrades, and including reimbursement for TIF eligible related costs incurred by the
- 16
- City for the administration of the Waterfront TIF District, in a total principal amount not to exceed
- 17
- \$21,830,000.00, and to issue bonds, notes or make inter-fund loans for such purpose (together, the “Projects”);
- 18
- and
- 19
- WHEREAS, several City residents challenged the results of the November 2016 special election,
- 20
- alleging that the City did not comply with certain technical and procedural requirements related to the public
- 21
- notice process; and
- 22
- WHEREAS, the Vermont Superior Court found inconsistencies in the rules for public notices and held
- 23
- that the technical and procedural errors raised by the plaintiffs fell short of the threshold required to justify the
- 24
- extreme remedy of election invalidation; and

25 WHEREAS, Act 134 (2016) passed by the Vermont legislature, effective in 2016 extended the time
26 period by which the City could incur indebtedness against revenues of the Waterfront TIF District for the three
27 properties located within the Waterfront TIF District at 49 Cherry Street and 75 Cherry Street (together, the
28 "Parcels") to June 30, 2021 and extended the period in which the City could retain the municipal and
29 education tax increment for the Parcels to June 30, 2035; and

30 WHEREAS, in accordance with a request from the City, effective July 1, 2021, Act 73 (2021) of the
31 Vermont legislature further extended the time period by which the City could incur indebtedness against
32 revenues of the Waterfront TIF District for the three Parcels to June 30, 2023; provided, that, such extension is
33 subject to the City's submission to the Vermont Economic Progress Council ("VEPC") of an executed
34 construction contract with a completion guarantee by the owner of the Parcels evidencing commitment to
35 construct not less than \$50 million of private development on the Parcels; and

36 WHEREAS, the City submitted a substantial change request to VEPC on February 2, 2023, providing
37 the required executed construction contract and completion guarantee to VEPC and requesting formal
38 authorization to incur the remainder of the authorized indebtedness under the Waterfront TIF District, which
39 substantial change request was granted by VEPC on March 30, 2023; and

40 WHEREAS, the City previously issued its \$18,840,000 General Obligation Waterfront Tax Increment
41 Note, Series 2023 (the "Prior Note") on June 21, 2023 in order to provide financing to the City for the Projects
42 and to provide an opportunity to limit the overall total debt to be incurred for the Projects pending the receipt
43 of certain grants and additional information regarding development plans for the Parcels; and

44 WHEREAS, the Prior Note matures on May 31, 2024; and

45 WHEREAS, the City continues to work with the private developers on the finalization of the
46 development for the Parcels and the City Council at its February 12, 2024 meeting approved an amendment to
47 the Development Agreement with Cityplace Partners, LLC, which, among other things, extended the time for
48 the developer to meet certain conditions with respect to the payment obligations of the City; and

49 WHEREAS, the City has been awarded a \$22,384,000 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with
50 Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant for construction of the Great Streets Bank and Cherry project, and to
51 build two new segments of Saint Paul Street and Pine Street, and for a workforce development program that
52 further supports the long-term financing for the Projects; and

53 WHEREAS, the City is currently waiting on the determination of certain additional grant applications,
54 the progress for meeting conditions under existing development agreement for the Projects, and the
55 finalization of additional development plans for the Parcels, which may provide additional tax increment; and

56 WHEREAS, in connection with the City's submission of its substantial change request, the City
57 notified VEPC of its intention to issue one or more redeemable short-term notes in order to have the
58 opportunity to minimize the eventual indebtedness of the Waterfront TIF District; and

59 WHEREAS, in order to limit the overall total debt to be incurred for the Projects and to provide an
60 opportunity for a reduction in risk to the taxpayers if the City receives such pending grants and depending on
61 the results of such additional development plans, the City is currently exploring the possibility of issuing one
62 or more notes to refinance the Prior Note and extend the maturity date thereof; and

63 WHEREAS, Section 801 of the Tax Increment Financing Districts Rule adopted by VEPC permits the
64 refinancing of existing TIF district debt in order to take advantage of improved rates or terms without the need
65 for public vote or prior notification of VEPC; and

66 WHEREAS, the City is soliciting proposals from underwriting firms and financial institutions to sell,
67 in a negotiated or competitive sale, one or more notes to refinance the Prior Note; and

68 WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to authorize the City's Chief Administrative Officer to approve
69 the final terms of such general obligation tax increment financing notes without the requirement for prior
70 approval by the City's Board of Finance so long as the true interest cost of such notes does not exceed six
71 percent (6.00%) per annum, and to authorize the City's Board of Finance to approve the final terms of such
72 notes in the event the true interest cost of such notes exceeds six percent (6.00%) per annum;

73 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council has determined that it is necessary to
74 pledge the credit of the City in an amount not to exceed \$18,840,000 in the aggregate principal amount and to
75 issue notes, including one or more notes that may be subject to early redemption and prepayment, in
76 connection therewith (the "Obligations") to finance the public improvements and related costs attributable to
77 the Projects within the Waterfront TIF District; and

78 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Obligations may be sold in a private placement, public
79 offering, competitive sale, or negotiated sale with one or more underwriters or underwriting firms, and the
80 City may enter into a bond purchase agreement or loan agreement with the lender, underwriter, or the
81 Vermont Bond Bank, as the case may be, for such purpose; and

82 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the pledging of the City's credit for such Obligations is hereby
83 authorized, with the amount, the term, and the form of the evidence of indebtedness to be issued, the interest
84 rates, and payment schedule, to be further determined by the Chief Administrative Officer or the Assistant
85 Director of Finance; provided that the true interest cost for the Obligations as determined by the Chief
86 Administrative Officer, shall not exceed six percent (6.00%) per annum; and

87 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that the true interest cost of the Obligations would
88 exceed six percent (6.00%) per annum, the prior approval of the City's Board of Finance shall be required; and

89 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Obligations, when issued and delivered, shall be valid and
90 binding general obligations of the City payable according to the terms and tenor thereof from tax increments
91 from properties within the Waterfront TIF District, which tax increments may be pledged to the payment of
92 such Obligations; and

93 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the full faith and credit of the City shall be pledged to payment of
94 the Obligations in the event that the tax increments from properties within the Waterfront TIF District are not
95 sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the Obligations; and

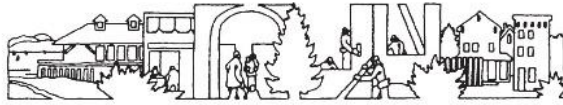
96 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, the Chief Administrative Officer, and the Assistant
97 Director of Finance are, and each one of them is, hereby authorized and directed to prepare one or more
98 Official Statements of the City as they deem necessary in the City's best interest. The Mayor, the Chief
99 Administrative Officer, and the Assistant Director of Finance are, and each one of them is, hereby authorized
100 to execute and deliver one or more final Official Statements and to execute and deliver such agreements,
101 including one or more bond purchase agreement with the purchaser or underwriter(s) for the Obligations,
102 continuing disclosure certificates, certificates as to use of proceeds and all other documents, agreements and
103 instruments necessary or convenient in connection with the issuance of the Obligations; and

104 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if in the opinion of the Chief Administrative Officer and/or the
105 Assistant Director of Finance, it is desirable and in the City's best interest to obtain bond insurance for the
106 Obligations, the Mayor, the Chief Administrative Officer, and the Assistant Director of Finance are, and each
107 one of them is, hereby authorized, to enter into such agreements and instruments with the insurer in order to
108 obtain a bond insurance policy for the Obligations; and

109 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any defect or irregularity in the holding of the November 6, 2016
110 or the public notice issued for such special meeting was the result of oversight, inadvertence or difference of
111 interpretation of applicable law and rules, and all acts and things heretofore done by the officers of the City
112 and its City Council, in, about, or concerning the public notice for such special meeting and the conducting the
113 vote at the meeting held November 6, 2016 are hereby validated and confirmed; and

114 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as permitted by statute, the City intends to retain the municipal
115 and education tax increment for the Parcels for the maximum period and in the amounts as permitted under
116 applicable law, including as authorized under Act 134 (2016).

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119	DB/TM/Resolutions 2024/Authorization For Refinancing City Of Burlington’s \$18,840,000 General Obligation Waterfront Tax Increment Note,
120	Series 2023
121	April 15, 2024



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To: City Council
From: Brian Pine, CEDO Director
David G. White, White + Burke Real Estate Advisors
Date: April 9, 2024
Re: Resolution to authorize refinancing \$18,840,000 in a project note for Waterfront TIF
District public improvements associated with CityPlace Burlington

Summary

On May 1, 2023, the City Council authorized the borrowing of up to \$18,840,000 to fund the public infrastructure improvements associated with the CityPlace project. This resolution seeks authorization to refinance the project note since the note reaches maturity on May 31, 2024. We have received all necessary prior approvals, including from the voters, City Council, and the Vermont Economic Progress Council to enable this borrowing.

Background

This memo is intended to bring the City Council up to date relative to the planned refinancing of notes to help pay for the public improvements associated with CityPlace.

By way of a reminder, before the City was allowed to issue any TIF debt for public improvements associated with the redevelopment of the property known as CityPlace Burlington, the City held multiple public hearings, obtained voter approval, and authorization from the VT Economic Progress Council (VEPC). With authorization from the City Council in May 2023, the City issued \$18,840,000 in a one-year note. After consultation with the City's bond counsel and the City's outside financial advisors, the City chose to issue project notes, rather than a long-term bond, for financing. For a number reasons, this was deemed to be the most advantageous financing for taxpayers and the City.

The City was under a legislatively imposed deadline of June 30, 2023 beyond which authorization to issue debt for the Waterfront TIF district ceased. At that time two key factors remained uncertain: 1) the final incremental value of CityPlace was estimated, but not certain and thus the amount of debt the incremental taxes could repay was not firm, and 2) the City was in process of applying for various federal grants that might decrease the amount needed to be funded by TIF for the public infrastructure. Issuing a project note allowed the City to meet the June 30, 2023 deadline, but retain the flexibility to later repay a portion of the debt if either less was needed due to grants and/or less could be afforded if CityPlace resulted in lower incremental value than expected.

With the one-year note approaching maturity, the City must consider refinancing. It is our recommendation that it is in the best interest of taxpayers and the City that it be refinanced through another one-year note. There are now three reasons. First, the City has successfully obtained two significant federal grants, totaling \$34,384,000. In addition, the City has secured two State Sales Tax Reallocation awards totaling \$1,467,111. These leveraged funds will help pay for the public infrastructure immediately associated with CityPlace and expand the scope of public improvements to encompass Cherry Street from Battery to South Winooski and Bank Street from Pine to South Winooski. While this will reduce the amount needed to be funded from TIF, it is important to retain flexibility in the final TIF financing amount until construction bids are obtained and pricing is known. Second, while construction is well underway with CityPlace, the program for the north building along Cherry Street while close to final, is not yet entirely solidified. Thus, the final assessed value cannot be firmly determined leaving the question of debt capacity somewhat open. Thirdly, with interest rates at their highest level in many years, and with the expectation that rates will be coming down over the next 12 to 24 months, it is prudent to delay issuing the final bond in anticipation of lower interest rates.

Thus, our recommendation is that the note be refinanced, and final long-term bonding be delayed. Once the final amount of debt is determined, which will not exceed the \$18,840,000 already borrowed, the City will pay off the note and issue long-term tax-exempt bonds to lower the cost of borrowing and lock in the lowest possible borrowing cost for the maximum period of time.

As part of the City's submission of its substantial change request to VEPC, the City notified them of its intention to issue one or more redeemable short-term notes in order to have the opportunity to minimize the eventual indebtedness of the Waterfront TIF District and to minimize risk to the taxpayers. This included that long-term bonds would be used at the appropriate time to refinance the notes to obtain the most favorable terms.

Approval by the City Council of this approach, represented in the attached resolution, will enable the City to re-finance the existing note while exercising fiscal prudence to minimize potential financial risk to taxpayers and to ensure that the City has the requisite funding available to meet its obligations to pay for the public improvements. Council approval is required for the City to issue a formal request for proposals from underwriting firms and financial institutions to sell, in a negotiated or competitive sale, one or more notes to refinance the prior note.

We will be in attendance at the Council meeting on April 15 to answer any questions that may arise, but feel free to reach out to Brian Pine to discuss at 802-578-6953 or bpine@burlingtonvt.gov.

Board of Finance and City Council Submission Checklist

Department: Clerk Treasurer Office Submitter: Darlene Bayko

Title/Subject: Resolution to Authorize Refinancing for Waterfront TIF

	Approval:	Meeting Date:
☐	Board of Finance	Click or tap to enter a date.
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CAO has reviewed budget, financing, and memo	Yes	4/9/2024	Click or tap here to enter text.
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Resolution Relating to

AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS FOR SCHOOL
DISTRICT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR
INTEGRATED ARTS ACADEMY

RESOLUTION_____

Sponsor(s): Bd. of Finance
Introduced: _____
Referred to: _____
Action: _____
Date: _____
Signed by Mayor: _____

CITY OF BURLINGTON

In the year Two Thousand Twenty Four
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

That WHEREAS, on March 7, 2017, voters of the City of Burlington approved a ballot question and authorized the City Council to issue general obligation bonds or notes in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Nineteen Million Dollars and 00/100 (\$19,000,000.00) for the purpose of accomplishing capital improvements at each of the school district's buildings in order to eliminate or substantially reduce the deferred maintenance of such buildings in order to preserve their value for future educational use (the"Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to such voter authorization, the City issued \$6,000,000 of its General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2018B; \$300,000 of its General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2017C; and \$2,000,000 of its General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023A, leaving \$10,700,000 of authorized but unissued debt;

WHEREAS, the City, at the request of the Burlington School District, intends to issue, on behalf of the Burlington School District, and utilize the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds or other debt to pay the costs of such Project;

WHEREAS, the City intends to utilize the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds or other debt to pay the costs of such Project for school purposes, and may incur some capital costs prior to the issuance of bonds to finance the capital improvements, it being understood and expected that the funds for such Project shall come from the available funds of the Burlington School District and not the City's General Fund;

WHEREAS, while the school department is managed by a board of school commissioners who are separately elected from the City Council, the City Council is responsible for the issuance of bonds for school purposes; and

WHEREAS, the board of school commissioners is required under the City Charter to allocate sufficient funds for the payment of the principal and interest due or coming due on City bonds issued for school purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is the official intent of the City Council to reimburse some capital expenditures made for capital improvements for the Project, particularly the Integrated Arts Academy, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 in the aggregate, with the proceeds of tax exempt bonds, in accordance

27 with the requirements of Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations adopted under the Internal Revenue
28 Code of 1986, as amended. The City reasonably expects on the date hereof that it will reimburse such
29 expenditures with the proceeds of tax exempt bonds.
30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City’s Chief Administrative Officer and the Superintendent of the
31 Burlington School District, in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer, are each further authorized
32 to declare additional official notices of intent to reimburse capital expenditures made in furtherance of the
33 Project with the proceeds of tax exempt bonds.

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AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS FOR SCHOOL
DISTRICT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR INTEGRATED
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WHEREAS, the City, at the request of the Burlington School District, intends to issue, on behalf of the Burlington School District, and utilize the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds or other debt to pay the costs of such Project; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to utilize the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds or other debt to pay the costs of such Project for school purposes, and may incur some capital costs prior to the issuance of bonds to finance the capital improvements, it being understood and expected that the funds for such Project shall come from the available funds of the Burlington School District and not the City's General Fund; and

WHEREAS, while the school department is managed by a board of school commissioners who are separately elected from the City Council, the City Council is responsible for the issuance of bonds for school purposes; and

WHEREAS, the board of school commissioners is required under the City Charter to allocate sufficient funds for the payment of the principal and interest due or coming due on City bonds issued for school purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is the official intent of the City Council to reimburse some capital expenditures made for capital improvements for the Project, particularly the Integrated Arts

AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM PUBLIC
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IMPROVEMENTS FOR INTEGRATED ARTS ACADEMY

26 Academy, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 in the aggregate, with the proceeds of tax exempt bonds, in
27 accordance with the requirements of Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations adopted under the Internal
28 Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The City reasonably expects on the date hereof that it will reimburse
29 such expenditures with the proceeds of tax exempt bonds; and

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City's Chief Administrative Officer and the Superintendent of
31 the Burlington School District, in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer, are each further
32 authorized to declare additional official notices of intent to reimburse capital expenditures made in furtherance
33 of the Project with the proceeds of tax exempt bonds.

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36 DB/TM/Resolutions 2024/Authorization For Reimbursement From Public Improvement Bonds For School District Capital Improvements For
37 Integrated Arts Academy

38 April 15, 2024



OFFICE OF THE CLERK/TREASURER City of Burlington

City Hall, Room 20, 149 Church Street, Burlington, VT 05401 T: (802) 865-7000

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Finance and City Council

From: Darlene Bayko, Assistant Director of Finance

Re: Proposed Reimbursement Resolution for Integrated Art Academy

Date: April 15, 2024

Introduction: Proceeds of tax-exempt bonds, including tax-exempt leasing, are subject to Internal Revenue Code restrictions on arbitrage yield, arbitrage rebate requirements and other limitations. Generally speaking, when the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds are spent for the governmental purpose, they are no longer treated as proceeds of such bonds and therefore are no longer subject to these restrictions.

It is expected that the Burlington School District may spend money on a capital project before tax-exempt bonds are actually issued. In such case, the City may wish to subsequently reimburse such expenditures from the bond proceeds when the bonds are issued.

On March 7, 2017, voters of the City of Burlington approved a ballot question and authorized the City Council to issue general obligation bonds or notes in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Nineteen Million Dollars and 00/100 (\$19,000,000.00) for the purpose of completing capital improvements to the Burlington School District's buildings in order to eliminate or substantially reduce the deferred maintenance of such buildings in order to preserve their value for future educational use ("the Project"). From such authorized amount, the City previously issued \$8,300,000 of bonds pursuant to such authorization leaving \$10,700,000 of authorized but unissued debt.

The City, at the request of the School District, intends to utilize the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds or other debt to pay the costs of the Project. In advance of the issuance of such bonds or other debt to finance the Project, the City and the School District and may incur some capital costs.

Summary: The proposed reimbursement resolution provides for use of the School District's general fund money that may be allocated to capital expenditures prior to issuance of the bonds, particularly the Integrated Arts Academy. The adoption of the official intent allows the City to reimburse itself and the School District from the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds that may be issued in the future. The use of bond proceeds to reimburse a prior expenditure for capital project is governed by Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Discussion: Under the Internal Revenue Code and U.S. Treasury Regulations, an allocation of bond proceeds to reimburse the issuer of tax-exempt bonds for any expenditure made before the bond is actually issued is treated as an expenditure of bond proceeds if the following three requirements are met:

1. The nature of the expenditure must be a capital expenditure;
2. The issuer has to adopt an “official intent” in a timely manner; and
3. The reimbursement must occur during a specific period of time.

The expenditure to be reimbursed must be a capital expenditure and may include cost of issuing the bonds or other capital expenses. The official intent is considered timely if, not later than 60 days after payment of an expenditure, the issuer declares its official intent to reimburse itself with proceeds of the tax-exempt borrowing. It is important to note that this requirement is tied to the *payment* of an expenditure and not the incurrence of the expenditure, meaning the official intent will allow the City to reimburse itself for any qualifying expenditures made at least 60 days prior to the date the official intent is adopted. The declaration of official intent must generally describe the project and must state the maximum principal amount of bonds expected to be issued for such project.

The bond proceeds must be allocated to reimburse an original expenditure within 18 months after the later of (i) the date the original expenditure is paid, or (ii) the date the project is placed in service, but in no event more than three years after the date the original expenditure is paid.

The requirement that the City adopt an official intent in order to reimburse itself and the School District for capital expenditures prior to the issuance of bonds does not apply to any preliminary expenditures, up to an amount not in excess of 20% of the aggregate issue price of the bonds. Preliminary expenditures include architectural, engineering, surveying, soil testing, and similar costs that are incurred prior to commencement of acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of a project (excluding land acquisition, site preparation, and similar costs incidental to construction commencement). Additionally, there is also a *de minimis* exception for costs of issuance of any bond or to an amount not in excess of the lesser of \$100,000 or 5% of the proceeds of the issue.

The resolution for reimbursement provides the City with the benefit of reimbursement with future tax-exempt bonds. The reimbursement resolution does not obligate the City or the School District to expend money on any particular project. The expenditure for a capital project would remain subject to normal budgeting and appropriation rules and policies.

Board of Finance and City Council Submission ChecklistDepartment: Clerk Treasurer Office Submitter: Darlene BaykoTitle/Subject: Reimbursement Resolution for Integrated Arts Academy

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