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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Marvin L. Abney, Chairman, House Finance Committee
The Honorable Louis P. DiPalma, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

From: Joseph Codega Jr., Budget Officer *Joseph M. Codega Jr.*

Date: April 22, 2024

Subject: Amendments to FY 2024 Revised Appropriations Act (24-H-7224)

Governor's Budget Amendment #11

The Governor requests that several amendments be made to the FY 2024 Appropriations Act. The amendments include changes to the appropriation amounts in Article 1, Relating to Making Appropriations in Support of FY 2024.

Notable amendments which reflect updated policy recommendations by the Governor include:

- **State Fiscal Recovery Fund Reallocation.** This amendment reduces allocations for the following State Fiscal Recovery Fund projects, totaling \$61.6 million: South Quay Marine Terminal, Covid-19 Ongoing Response, Targeted Housing Development, Municipal Homelessness Support Initiative, and Housing Related Infrastructure.
- **Development of Affordable Housing Project Description.** This amendment adjusts the project description for the Development of Affordable Housing project, which is financed with State Fiscal Recovery Funds, to include site acquisition and predevelopment expenses for affordable housing.
- **Executive Office of Commerce Small Business Assistance.** The amendment allocates \$1.3 million from the EOC – Small Business Assistance project, funded with State Fiscal Recovery Funds, to assist small businesses impacted by the closure and reconstruction of the Washington Bridge. \$600,000 will be allocated to East Providence, \$400,000 will be allocated to Providence, and \$300,000 will be allocated to the Executive Office of Commerce.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please feel free to call me or my staff at 222-6300.

Attachments

cc: Sharon Reynolds Ferland, House Fiscal Advisor
Stephen Whitney, Senate Fiscal Advisor
Jonathan Womer, Director of Administration
Brian Daniels, Director, Office of Management and Budget

ARTICLE 1, RELATING TO MAKING REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2024

SECTION 1, REVISED APPROPRIATIONS IN SUPPORT OF FY 2024

Department of Administration

Decrease Federal Funds for “Ongoing COVID-19 Response”, Page 2, Line 20, by \$20,021,859 from \$21,221,859 to \$1,200,000. This amendment decreases American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds available for ongoing COVID-19 response and reallocates the funding to other projects (24-DOA1).

Executive Office of Commerce

Decrease Federal Funds for “South Quay”, Page 9, Line 29, by \$35,000,000, from \$35,000,000 to \$0. This amendment decreases American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds for the proposed South Quay Marine Terminal (24-EOC1).

Department of Housing

Decrease Federal Funds for “Housing Related Infrastructure”, Page 10, Line 22, by \$1,300,000, from \$4,300,000 to \$3,000,000. This program was undersubscribed, and funds will be reallocated to the Homelessness Assistance Program. (24-HOUSING1)

Decrease Federal Funds for “Municipal Homelessness Support Initiative”, Page 10, Line 25, by \$300,000, from \$2,500,000 to \$2,200,000. This program was undersubscribed, and funds will be reallocated to the Homelessness Assistance Program. (24-HOUSING2)

Decrease Federal Funds for “Targeted Housing Development”, Page 10, Line 31, by \$5,000,000, from \$31,000,000 to \$26,000,000. These funds will be reallocated to the Homelessness Assistance Program.

Article 1 – Relating to Making Revised Appropriations in Support of FY 2024

Section 5

Page 47, Lines 26 – 29:

Strike entirely the following: “DOA – Ongoing COVID-19 Response. These funds shall be allocated to continue COVID-19 mitigation activities and to address the public health impacts of the pandemic in Rhode Island, to be administered by the director of administration, in consultation with the director of health and the secretary of health and human services.”

Page 48, Lines 24 – 29:

Strike entirely the following: “EOC – South Quay Marine Terminal. These funds shall support the development of an integrated and centralized hub of intermodal shipping designed to support the offshore wind industry along memorial parkway in the East Providence waterfront special development district. Funds may be used for design and development of the waterfront portion of the terminal into a marine-industrial facility. These funds shall only be allocated and spent if sufficient matching funds for completion of the project are committed by February 1, 2024.”

Page 49, Line 18: Insert the following after “title 37.”:

Of the aggregate funding described above, one million three hundred thousand dollars (\$1,300,000) of funds that are unexpended as of July 1, 2024, shall be allocated to a program to assist small businesses impacted by the closure and reconstruction of the northern span of the Washington Bridge. Of those funds, six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) shall be allocated to the City of East Providence, four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) shall be allocated to the City of Providence, and three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) shall be allocated to the Executive Office of Commerce. Funds shall be used to provide direct grants or any such other forms of assistance as deemed appropriate, and shall not be subject to the criteria, limitations, and reservation requirements described above.

Page 49, Line 22: Insert “(1)” after “the” and before “development”. This change expands the eligible uses of funds currently allocated to the Development of Affordable Housing program, which is financed with State Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Page 49, Line 24: Insert the following language after “Commission”: “or (2) site acquisition and predevelopment expenses for affordable housing.” This change expands the eligible uses of funds currently allocated to the Development of Affordable Housing program, which is financed with State Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Page 50, Line 2: Strike “twenty-seven million dollars (\$27,000,000)” and replace with “twenty-two million dollars (\$22,000,000)”. This reduces the funding available for the Priority Projects Fund within the Targeted Housing Development project. These funds will be reallocated to the Homelessness Assistance Program.

Summary of Governor's Article 1 Amendments to FY 2024 Revised Appropriations Act (24-H-7224)

| | General Revenue | Federal Funds | Restricted Receipts | Other Funds | Total | Amendment Code (24-AGENCY#) |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| FY 2024 Revised Expenditures (Original Governor's Recommend) | 5,378,940,944 | 5,793,675,862 | 443,045,620 | 2,793,425,722 | 14,409,088,148 | |
| March 11, 2024 Amendments | (402,230) | (8,128,814) | - | 2,730,386 | (5,800,658) | |
| March 29, 2024 Amendments | - | - | - | (1,000,000) | (1,000,000) | |
| April 8, 2024 Amendments | (33,526) | (17,465) | - | - | (50,991) | |
| April 2024 Amendments | | | | | | |
| Department of Administration | | | | | | |
| Ongoing COVID-19 Response | | (20,021,859) | | | (20,021,859) | 24-DOA1 |
| Executive Office of Commerce | | | | | | |
| South Quay Project Reallocation | | (35,000,000) | | | (35,000,000) | 24-EOC1 |
| Department of Housing | | | | | | |
| Housing Related Infrastructure | | (1,300,000) | | | (1,300,000) | 24-HOUSING1 |
| Municipal Homelessness Support Initiative | | (300,000) | | | (300,000) | 24-HOUSING2 |
| Targeted Housing Development | | (5,000,000) | | | (5,000,000) | 24-HOUSING3 |
| Total | - | (61,621,859) | - | - | (61,621,859) | |
| Grand Total | 5,378,505,188 | 5,723,907,724 | 443,045,620 | 2,795,156,108 | 14,340,614,640 | |