Consent Agenda # 19

IN CITY COUNICL
CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
May 7, 2001

INTRODUCED BY CITY MANAGER ROBERT W. HEALY

AN ORDER CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2000

ORDERED: That in addition to sums previously appropriated by the City Council for the fiscal period 2000-01 the following sum is hereby appropriated in the General Fund of the City of Cambridge:

	OTHER					
	DEPARTMENT OR	SALARY	ORDINARY	TRAVEL &	EXTRAORDINARY	
FUNCTION	PROGRAM	& WAGES	MAINTENANCE	TRAINING	EXPENDITURES	APPROPRIATIONS
Education	School		$41,040			$41,040

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the above acceptance and appropriation in the General Fund to be financed by estimated revenues drawn from the following sources:

FINANCING PLAN	REVENUE
Medicaid reimbursements	$41,040

In City Council May 7, 2001
Adopted by a yea and nay vote:-
Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:- D Margaret Drury

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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IN CITY COUNICL
CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
February 12, 2001

INTRODUCED BY CITY MANAGER ROBERT W. HEALY

AN ORDER CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2000

ORDERED: That in addition to sums previously appropriated by the City Council for the fiscal period 2000-01 the following sum is hereby appropriated in the Public Investment Fund of the City of Cambridge:

FUNCTION	OTHER DEPARTMENT OR PROGRAM	SALARY & WAGES	ORDINARY MAINTENANCE	TRAVEL & TRAINING	EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURES	APPROPRIATIONS
Education	School				$590,334.00	$590,334.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the above acceptance and appropriation in the Public Investment Fund to be financed by estimated revenues drawn from the following sources:

FINANCING PLAN	REVENUE
Medicaid reimbursement	$590,334.00

In City Council May 7, 2001.
Adopted by a yea and nay vote:-
Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.
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CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

159 THORNDIKE STREET CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141

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Bgt. Ref. Doc. #15

April 26, 2001

To The Honorable Members of the School Committee:

Request for Appropriation of Excess Medicaid Reimbursement to Fund RSTA Capital Equipment and Facilities Improvements, and Reserve for Minuteman Tuitions

Recommendation: That the School Committee approve a request for an appropriation of $631,374 in excess Medicaid Reimbursement revenues to be received in fiscal year 2000-2001 to be used for the following purposes;

1. Fund one-time capital equipment purchases for development of the Rindge School of Technical Arts vocational-technical programs.
2. Fund one-time capital facilities improvements from rejuvenation of RSTA vocational-technical programs.
3. Provide a reserve of $200,000 for possible additional students attending Minuteman.

These funds have not yet been appropriated for expenditure. Therefore, we further request that the City Manager submit an appropriation request to the City Council for the amounts indicated below;

> $631,374 is the gross amount of increased revenue. $41,040 of that amount is to be appropriated to the general fund to cover the service processing fee due to the Medicaid processing contractor, and the remaining $590,334 is to be appropriated to the School Capital Fund.

Description: The FY00-01 Adopted School Budget included $950,000 in Medicaid Reimbursement revenues as a funding source. The estimated revenues to be received by the City by June 30, 2001 is $1,581,734 which translated into a $631,374 revenue surplus.

The projected revenue surplus of $631,374 is due to one-time retroactive reimbursement billing for administrative activities provided to Medicaid eligible children.

The allocation to the School Capital Fund is recommended for the purpose of supporting the RSTA restructuring plan. This includes funding for new equipment purchases, facilities renovations of RSTA spaces ($390,334), and $200,000 as a contingency for any Minuteman tuition shortfalls due to larger than expected enrollment of students. Any funds, which are not needed for tuition will be used to support RSTA equipment and renovations.

The appropriation of these funds will allow for re-allocation of the RSTA operating budget to fund the two additional teacher positions needed for new programs to have the required five programs for state CH74 approval, without having to use federal Perkins grant monies (approximately $90,000). Perkins funds can then be used for staff training, curriculum development, school-to-work programs, and the like.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbie D'Alessandro

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Superintendent of Schools

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FY2001 Revised Medicaid Reimbursement Revenue Estimate	
Original FY2001 Revenue Estimate for Medicaid Reimbursements	$ 950,000
Revenues Received to Date as of 4/25/2001	$ 1,223,545
Anticipated Revenues to be Received by 6/30/2001	$ 357,829
Total FY2001 Anticipated Medicaid Reimb. Revenues	$ 1,581,374
Total Estimated Revenue Surplus from Original Revenue Estimate	**$ 631,374**
Less: Appropriation to FY2001School General Fund Budget to cover additional Service Processing Fees associated with increased revenue collection of $631,374	$ 41,040
Total amount to be appropriated to School Capital Fund to cover RSTA equipment purchases and facilities renovations	$ 590,334

City Budget Document

ACTUAL FY99	PROJECTED FY00		BUDGET FY01
3 560	2 000	SCES GRANT	
1 107 974	950 000	MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT	950 000
8 320 088	7 125 045	CAMBRIDGE HEALTH ALLIANCE	6 991 025
9 431 622	8 077 045		7 941 025

SCES GRANTS. FY00 was the last year of this grant.

SCHOOL MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT. This revenue source reflects reimbursements or special education medical costs for medicaid eligible students. In FY01, the reimbursement estimate is $950 000. The increase is due to the City's ability to participate in Administrative Activity Claiming, a process by which the schools receive reimbursement for administrative services provided in response to the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment program.

CAMBRIDGE HEALTH ALLIANCE. Bonds issued in the past for renovations to the Cambridge Hospital and Neville Manor are legal obligations of the City and principal and interest payments on these loans are included in the Debt Service budget. In FY01, this category includes the third debt payment for the construction of the new Ambulatory Care Center. In addition, the Cambridge Health Alliance revenue supports personnel costs at the Hospital Garage (budgeted in the Traffic, Parking & Transportation Department) and reimbursement for there share of contributory retirement system costs budgeted in Employee Benefits Department. The detail distribution is: Employee Benefits, $4 110 575; and Debt Service, $2 880 450.

General Fund Revenue Summary

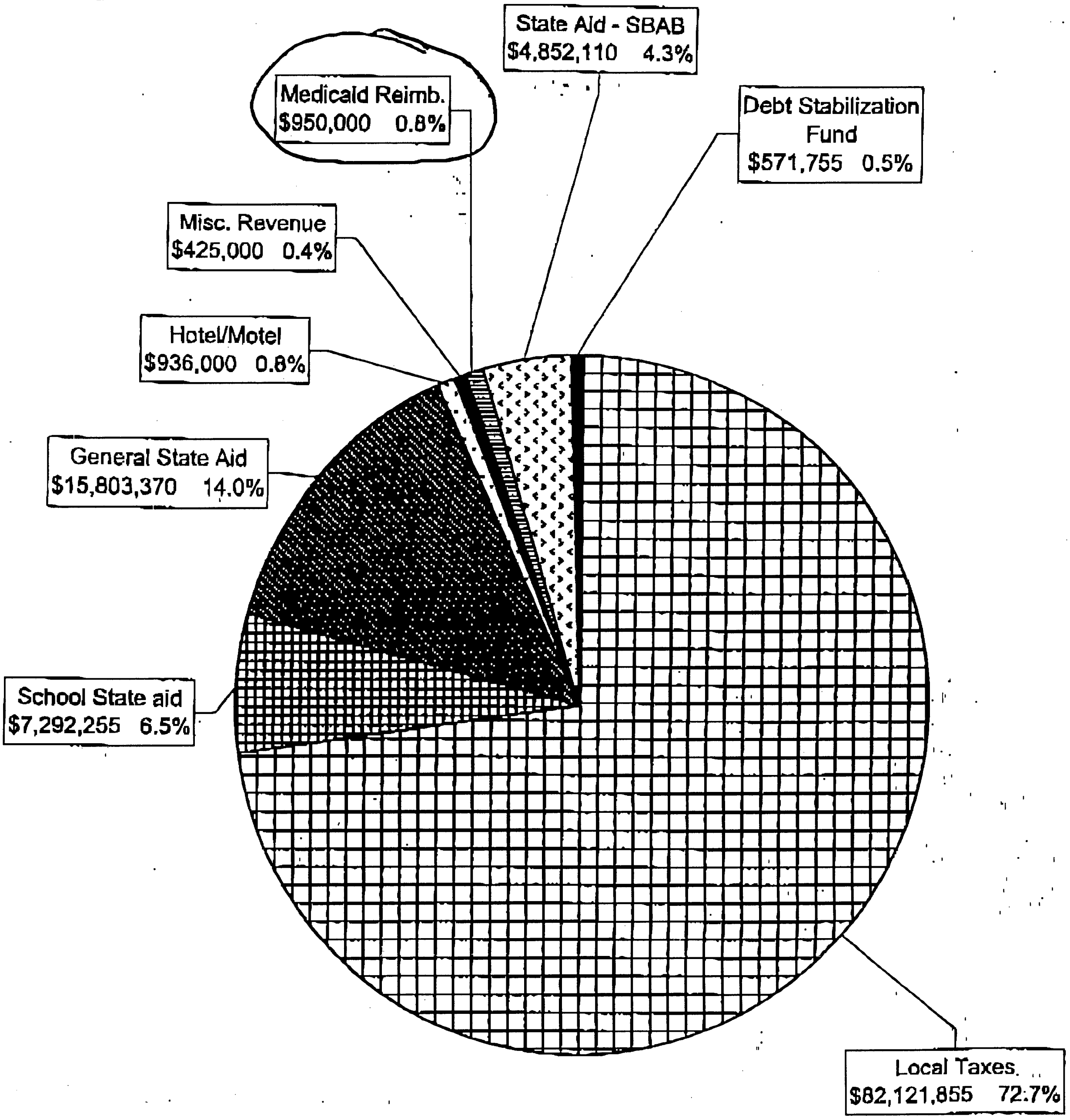
The School Department's appropriation limit is established annually by the City Manager based upon estimated available revenues.

The following table and graph present the dollar amount from various sources of revenue for FY2001-02, compared to the amounts received in FY2000-01, that form the basis for the appropriation limit.

FY'00 Budget	Category	FY'01 Budget	FY'02 Estimated	Increase/ (Decrease) From FY'01 Amount	Increase/ (Decrease) From FY'01 Percent
	A. General Operating Budget				
$ 70.0	Local Property Taxes	$ 74.2	$ 80.0	$ 5.8	7.8%
7.5	School State Aid	9.1	9.5	0.4	4.4%
(1.9)	Sch. State Aid Loss:/Charter Sch. Tuition	(2.2)	(2.2)	0.0	0.0%
15.3	General State Aid	15.8	15.8	0.0	0.0%
0.9	Hotel/Motel Taxes	0.9	0.9	0.0	0.0%
2.8	Misc. City/School Revenues	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0%
1.0	Medicaid Reimbursement	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0%
95.6	Sub-Total	99.2	105.4	6.2	6.3%
	B. Debt Service/Capital Budget				
$ 1.4	Local Property Taxes	$ 1.4	$ 2.2	$ 0.8	57.1%
0.3	School State Aid (1)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
4.9	School Construction Reimb. (SBAB)	4.9	4.8	(0.1)	(2.0)%
0.0	Transfer School Debt Stabl. Fund	1.0	0.6	(0.4)	(40.4)%
6.6	Sub-Total	7.3	7.6	0.3	4.1%
$102.2	Total	$ 106.5	$ 113.0	$ 6.5	6.1%

As can be seen from the above table, the major source of increased funding to the School Department is the local property tax levy. Local property tax support for the FY2001-02 School Budget has been increased by 8.6%.

FISCAL YEAR 2001 - 2002 GENERAL FUND BUDGET REVENUES



Total $112,952,345

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City of Cambridge · Executive Department

Robert W. Healy, City Manager   Richard C. Rossi, Deputy City Manager

May 7, 2001

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a letter requesting the appropriation of $631,374 in additional medicaid reimbursements to the School Department General Fund Other Ordinary Maintenance Account ($41,040), and the Public Investment Fund School Department Extraordinary Expenditures Account ($590,334).

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Attachment

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