

## BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE

MARCH 30, 2006

A meeting of the Budget Review Committee was held Thursday, March 30, 2006 at 7:02 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber.

Alderman-at-Large David W. Deane, Chair, presided.

Members of Committee present: Alderman-at-Large Fred S. Teeboom, Vice Chair  
Alderman-at-Large James R. Tollner  
Alderman Mark S. Cookson  
Alderman Greg Williams  
Alderman Richard P. Flynn  
Alderman Daniel L. Richardson

Also in attendance: Carol Anderson, CFO/Comptroller  
Jeff Snow, Superintendent, Edgewood/Suburban Cemeteries  
Tom Maffee, Trustee, Edgewood Cemetery Board of Trustees  
David Campbell, Superintendent, Woodlawn Cemetery  
Lauren Byers, Review & Comment Commission  
Julie Lastowka, Review & Comment Commission  
Mary Nelson, Director, Community Services Division  
Louise Woodward, Financial Coordinator  
Robert Mack, Welfare Officer  
Paul Elkind, Deputy Director/Epidemiologist  
Michael Tremblay, Manager/Health Officer  
Heidi Peek, Deputy Health Officer

### DEPARTMENTAL REVIEWS

#### **Public Services**

**Edgewood Cemetery  
Suburban Cemeteries  
Woodlawn Cemetery  
Aeronautical Fund**

#### **Civic and Community Activities**

#### **Community Services Division**

**Community Services  
Public Health  
Environmental Health  
Welfare Administration  
Welfare Costs**

- Presentation by Department Representative
- Questions by Committee Members
- General Comments

COMMUNICATIONS – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

HELD IN COMMITTEE

**R-06-06**

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Brian S. McCarthy  
Alderman Marc W. Plamondon  
Alderman-at-Large Steven A. Bolton  
Alderman Michael J. Tabacsko

**SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO PROCEED WITH THE BROAD STREET PARKWAY AND AUTHORIZING A MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TO MUNICIPALLY MANAGE THE PROJECT AND PROVIDE THE LOCAL MATCH**

- Assigned to the Budget Review Committee, Committee on Infrastructure and Broad Street Parkway Advisory Committee
- **Held pending a comprehensive presentation by the NRPC scheduled for 4/20/06**

**R-06-15**

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Steven A. Bolton

**RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF \$184,343 FROM ACCOUNT 597-86608 "CONTINGENCY NEGOTIATIONS – SCHOOL" INTO ACCOUNT 581-18001 "SCHOOL DEPARTMENT – PAYROLL, RESERVE FOR ADJUSTMENTS"**

- Held in Committee – 2/21/06

**R-06-16, Amended**

Endorsers: Alderman Richard P. Flynn  
Alderman Daniel L. Richardson  
Alderman Gregory Williams

**RELATIVE TO THE TRANSFER OF \$15,000 FROM ACCOUNT 522-11429 "PAYROLL, FULL-TIME - MANAGER, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY" INTO ACCOUNT 591-86005 "GENERAL CONTINGENCY"**

- Amended & Duly Adopted – 2/28/06
- Vetoed by Mayor – 3/3/06
- Reconsidered & Referred back to Committee – 3/14/06
- Held in Committee – 3/20/06

**R-06-29**

Endorser: Alderman-at-Large Fred S. Teeboom

**RELATIVE TO THE APPROPRIATION OF \$53,998 FROM SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT 305-6013 "EDUCATION AND GOVERNMENT CHANNELS"**

- Held in Committee – 3/6/06
- Amended to \$200,000 and Recommended for Final Passage as Amended – 3/29/05
- Reconsidered, Amended back to \$53,998, and Held in Committee – 3/30/06

**R-06-40**

Endorsers: Alderman Mark S. Cookson  
Alderman-at-Large David W. Deane  
Alderman David MacLaughlin  
Alderman-at-Large Steven A. Bolton  
Alderman Fred S. Teeboom

**ESTABLISHING AN EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$567,229 INTO THE FUND FROM ACCOUNT 499-982 “EXCESS REVENUES – SPECIAL EDUCATION CATASTROPHIC AID”**

- Held in Committee – 3/20/06

**R-06-42**

Endorser: Mayor Bernard A. Streeter

**RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2007 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NASHUA GENERAL, ENTERPRISE, AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

- Public Hearing is scheduled for April 21, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at N.H.S. South Auditorium
- Held in Committee – 3/27/06

**R-06-43**

Endorser: Mayor Bernard A. Streeter

**ESTABLISHING THE USE OF FUND BALANCE FOR TAX RATE**

- Held in Committee – 3/27/06

GENERAL DISCUSSION

PUBLIC COMMENT

POSSIBLE NON-PUBLIC SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN TOLLNER TO ADJOURN  
MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was declared closed at 10:39 p.m.

Alderman Daniel Richardson  
Committee Clerk

# **Nashua Airport Authority**

## **Boire Field**

Boire Field/Nashua Municipal Airport is located in the northwest corner of Nashua and is comprised of 396 acres that is leased to the Nashua Airport Authority by the City of Nashua. The current lease expired in 2047.

The Nashua Airport Authority was created by state statute in 1961. The membership consists of five directors appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the board of aldermen. They serve a five-year term. The current directors are:

Chairman	Griffin Dalianis, PhD
Vice Chairman	John Gill
Secretary	Allan Fuller, PhD
Treasurer	Fred Britton
Director	Michael Rosenblum

The board of directors is tasked with setting policy and procedures to operate the airport for the City of Nashua in conjunction with the rules and regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics.

There are currently 42 parcels of land on the airport that are leased to companies and businesses conduction business on both the aviation side and the industrial side of the airport. We are in negotiations with two additional prospective individuals to lease and develop property.

The airport has over 400-based aircraft. Of this number 224 are tied down on parking ramps and pay a monthly fee to the airport. The remainders are stored in hangars, which comprise part of the 40 leased properties.

The industrial side of the airport is home to several large corporations, such as Quality Installation, Rapid Sheet Metal, Dubois and King, Inc and Perimeter Day Inc. There are also approximately 25 smaller businesses operating on the industrial side of the airport.

The airport has grown is size over the years. The runway is 5501 feet long by 100 feet wide, and has the capability of landing large corporate jet aircraft. The largest aircraft currently based at Nashua is a Gulfstream V with a wingspan of 105'. The airport has completed the feasibility study for moving the main runway approximately 300' east of the existing runway to comply with distance safety requirements between the main runway and the parallel taxiway. The current schedule to complete builds the new runway during 2010 with design and planning to start in 2009.

The airport attracts corporate jets as the city and surrounding areas grow and corporations move to the area. Currently over 20 corporate aircraft are based at the airport. The largest aircraft is capable of flying from Nashua to foreign points.

Nashua is classified as a General Aviation Reliever Airport for Boston. In essence this means corporate aircraft that could land at Logan, can land at Nashua if the businesses they visiting are closer to Nashua, thereby relieving the number of aircraft landing at Logan.

The airport collects fees and rent to operate the airport. The sources of revenue include.

1. Leases (aircraft related/commercial)
2. Parking apron fees
3. Fuel Flow fees
4. State of New Hampshire registration fees
5. Fuel farm rental
6. Miscellaneous fees

Land and buildings on the airport are taxable. The assessed tax of property on the airport and land exceeds \$390,000. The airport receives none of this back to operate the airport. The airport has been self sufficient for the past five years, operating on user fees from airport customers.

The airport control tower operates from 7 am to 9 pm daily. Last year the total take-offs and landings exceeded 126,000. Nashua is the second busiest general aviation airport in New England.

The airport owns two fuel farms that are leased to the two Fixed Based Operators (FBO's) at the airport. FBO's disperse fuel, rent airplanes, conduct flight instruction and offer other aircraft related services.

The airport conducted an economic impact study in 1999. The results indicated a direct spending of \$5,590,000, transportation savings of \$4,758,940 and induced benefits of \$11,180,000 for a total benefit of \$21,528,940. At that time the airport and its tenants provided a substantial employment base with 183 full-time jobs and 17 part-time jobs. The industrial park employs 260 people on a full-time basis and 24 part-time. Additionally, the airport provides many essential community services, such as five flight schools, air ambulance, Daniel Webster College's Aviation Division and Angle flight Sponsors. The facilities are also used by the Civil Air Patrol and EAA. The number of employees has grown over the past five years.

Most importantly, the Nashua Airport serves as an integral link to the national and international transportation systems.