

City of Woonsocket Budget Commission
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Ms. Rosemary Booth Gallogly
Director
Rhode Island Department of Revenue
1 Capitol Hill
Providence, RI 02903

February 20, 2015

Dear Ms. Gallogly:

The Woonsocket Budget Commission desires to delegate its authority under RIGL 45-9 effective February 23, 2015 to the City Council and School Committee or the Mayor and Superintendent, as otherwise provided in law, rule, regulation, or ordinance, as follows:

- Appointments to boards and commissions pursuant to RIGL 45-9-6(d)(12) which provides that a Budget Commission has the power to “Appoint, in consultation with the director of revenue, persons to fill vacancies on any authority, board, committee, department or office”;
- Procurement and payments of goods and services pursuant to RIGL 45-9-6(d)(6) which provides that a Budget Commission has the power to “Review and approve or disapprove all proposed contracts for goods or services” and RIGL 45-9-3(d)(7) which requires the Budget Commission to “Monitor the expenditures of all funds”.
- Personnel actions pursuant to RIGL 45-9-6(d)(8) which gives the Budget Commission the authority to “Appoint, remove, supervise and control all city and town employees and have control over all personnel matters other than disciplinary matters; provided, that the budget commission shall hold all existing powers to hire and fire and set the terms and conditions of employment held by other employees or officers of the city or town; provided, further, that the budget commission shall have the authority to exercise all powers otherwise available to a municipality regarding contractual obligations during a fiscal emergency; provided, further, that no city or town employee or officer shall hire, fire, transfer or alter the compensation or benefits of a city or town employee except with the written approval of the budget commission; and provided, further, that the budget commission may delegate or otherwise assign these powers with the approval of the director of revenue”.

The Commission is preparing its determination that it has reached its goal of structural stability, and will soon hold its last meeting at which time the balanced five year plan will be presented. Legal counsel will be present to discuss the status of outstanding legal issues. At this time it would be appropriate to introduce the finance advisor who will provide the continuing oversight provided for under 45-9-10.1.

In order to transition power back to the City, the Commission is requesting your approval of the delegation of the specific authority above. Please indicate your approval of this delegation by signing below.

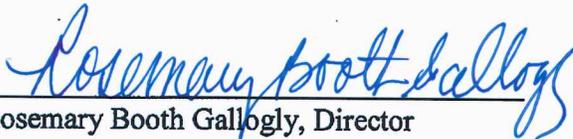
Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Dina Dutremble
Chairperson, Woonsocket Budget Commission

Approved:



Rosemary Booth Gallogly, Director
Department of Revenue

WBC/rbg

CC: Governor Gina Raimondo
Speaker of the House of Representatives Nicholas Mattiello
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Mayor Lisa Baldelli-Hunt
Chairman Senate Finance Committee Daniel DaPonte
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