

South Portland City Council
Position Paper of the City Manager

Subject:

RESOLVE #19-13/14 - That \$5,158,088 be raised and appropriated in additional local funds, which exceed the State's Essential Programs and Services Allocation model by \$4,405,870 as required to fund the budget recommended by the Board of Education. Passage requires majority vote.

The Board of Education recommends \$5,158,088 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$4,405,870.

- *Pension Obligation Debt Service, approved by voters November 4, 2003*
- *Co-curricular/athletic costs not recognized by EPS*
- *Maintaining/Staffing two small Middle Schools rather than one*
- *Staffing for Nursing Services greater than acknowledged by EPS*
- *Maintaining/Staffing five small Elementary Schools rather than four*
- *Class Size Targets less than State standard*
- *Purchase of new 88 passenger school bus*
- *Capital Improvement Projects for Mahoney, Memorial and SPHS approved by voters on June 9, 2009*

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the municipality's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-State funded debt service that will help achieve the school department budget for educational programs.

Position:

This resolve is brought forward as part of approving the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget for the South Portland School Department.

Requested Action:

Council passage of RESOLVE #19-13/14.


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Fiscal Note: \$5,158,088

Dated: May 19, 2014