

Town of Franklin

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

October 30, 2020

To: Town Council

From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 20-64: Reimbursement Program for Foster Care Transportation

I am asking the Council to consider resolution 20-64, last year DESE introduced a program through Title IV-E for reimbursement of foster care transportation. The reimbursement could approximate 20% of the expense or about \$7,236. This resolution will authorize the Finance Director, with approval of the Town Administrator, to enter into contracts.

If you have any additional questions please feel free to ask.



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RESOLUTION 20-64

TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION PURSUANT TO G.L. CHAPTER 44, SECTION 70 FOR TOWN TO EXECUTE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND OTHERWISE TO PARTICIPATE IN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM FOR FOSTER CARE TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, the Federal Government, acting through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, provides a financial reimbursement program to municipalities for a portion of their cost of providing foster care transportation pursuant to Title IV-E, and

WHEREAS, a municipality may participate in a federal governmental reimbursement program of this type by complying with G.L. Chapter 44, Section 70 which, in the case of Franklin, requires a vote of the Franklin Town Council to authorize a designated Town Department Head, with the approval of the Town Administrator, to enter into contracts and to provide that payments for services under such contracts may be made from reimbursements or revenues recovered without appropriation, and

WHEREAS, Franklin School Department has incurred and anticipates that it will continue to incur expense for foster care transportation and would therefore benefit from participation in the Title IV-E reimbursement program.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED by the Franklin Town Council, acting on behalf of the Town of Franklin that:

The Town of Franklin Finance Director, with the approval of the Franklin Town Administrator, is hereby authorized, to pursuant to G.L. Chapter 44, Section 70, to enter into a contract (Memorandum of Understanding) with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services and to execute said contract and any other legally-required document(s) and to take any other legally-required action to enable the Town of Franklin to obtain federal reimbursement for foster care transportation pursuant to Federal Title IV-E.

This resolution shall become effective according to the provisions of the Town of Franklin Home Rule Charter.

DATED: _____, 2020

VOTED:

UNANIMOUS: _____

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

A True Record Attest:

**Nancy Danello
Temporary Town Clerk**

Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council