Michael H. Gallagher Town Administrator



## TOWN OF NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH BOARD OF SELECTMEN

43 South Washington Street North Attleborough MA 02760 508-699-0100

January 16, 2019

Sean R. Cronin
Senior Deputy Commissioner of Local Services
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Division of Local Services
P.O. Box 9569
Boston, MA 02114

RE: Community Compact Grant - Energy Efficiencies

Dear Mr. Cronin,

The Town of North Attleborough, utilizing the generous grant obtained through the Governor's Community Compact Cabinet, completed its energy survey and obtained recommendations from a consultant hired using the proceeds of the grant. Using the information gathered from the survey the Town began a process to replace inefficient lighting fixtures and other infrastructure with more energy efficient alternatives.

To date the following projects were completed:

- Replaced all the outdoor lighting in the Veterans' memorial Park in front of Town Hall with LED bulbs, maintaining the fixtures and character of the outdoor space
- Replaced and reduced the number of lighting fixtures in the foyer at Town Hall with LED fixtures
- Replaced and reduced the number of lighting fixtures in the Town Accountant's office and hallway outside the office with LED fixtures as part of a refurbishing project

In addition to the above there is an item on the Town's FY2020 capital improvement plan to replace the remaining lighting in Town Hall with LED fixtures. Unfortunately, the remainder of the building is challenging in that all of the ceilings will need to be replaced along with the lighting because they are spline ceilings and the current lighting fixtures include HVAC ducts. The current fixtures are greater that two feet by two feet, which adds a layer of complexity to the project. Included in that project will be sensors that will automatically turn lights off in unoccupied space.

The Town will also be replacing the outdoor lighting in the Town Hall parking lot with LED fixtures using free cash and other funding sources. The goal is to complete this project over the summer months.

The Town has also hired an architect and will be using capital improvement funding to replace the HVAC system at Town Hall with a more energy efficient model. The project will include replacing the condenser, the water/glycol pumps and possibly the air handlers. Parts of the current system are the original from 1974 when the building was constructed.

In addition to the above, my assistant and I are working with Seth Pickering in the hopes of applying for Green Community status. We hope that in doing so there will be additional incentive within the community to look for opportunities to reduce our carbon footprint by undertaking other projects that will reap long term rewards for the taxpayers.

I hope this information helps. Please let me know if you need anything further.

Sincerely,

Michael H. Gallagher Town Administrator

CC: Board of Selectmen