

Appendix 1 – Millis Community Preservation Funding Request

Date: 1/21/21

Project Title: Henry F. Walling Map Preservation Phase II

Full Name of Entity Submitting Application:

Millis Public Library

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Purpose: Please check all that apply:

☐ Open Space

☐ Community Housing

☒ Historic Preservation

☐ Open Space / Recreation

Amount of CPA Funding Requested: \$ 1469- (Provide summary below)

Estimated Costs:

Fiscal Year*	Total Project Cost	CPA Funds requested	Other Funding Sources and Amounts
2020			
2021	\$1469-	\$1469-	
2022			
2023			
2024			

* Fiscal year begins on July 1 of the previous calendar year

Please provide a full description of the project on a separate sheet stapled to this application. This could include available information such as:

- Property address including assessor's map;
- Lot and block number;
- Name of current owner;
- Copy of recorded deed of current owner;
- A statement of need, to be documented with appropriate support information;
- A brief narrative indicating
 - how this proposal meets the goals of the Community Preservation Act,
 - how it benefits the Town of Millis, and
 - any other information you feel the CPC should consider when reviewing your application.
- Additional or alternative sources of funding for this project;
- Description of natural features of the property, if applicable;
- Maps, visual aids and other supplemental information;
- Surveys;
- Appraisals and agreements.

For CPC Use:

Application received on and by:

<u>CS</u>	<u>1/28/21</u>
(Name)	(Date)

Project presented to CPC on:

(Date)

Initial review by:

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Recommendation: (please write addition comments on the back or on another sheet)

APPROVE:

☐

DISMISS:

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DATE:

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Henry F. Walling Map Preservation Project Phase II

Background

Earlier this year the Millis Public Library was gifted an 1852 Henry F. Walling map of the Town of Medway. The map is of historic significance to the residents of Millis. The town of Millis was part of the town of Medway when the map was surveyed and is detailed on the map as East Medway and Rockville. The map was a gift from former Library Trustee and lifelong Millis resident Nancy Gittins who is a decedent of the Adams family who were early residents in Medway and later Millis. According to Ms. Gittins this map has been an interesting family item that was stored in attics and closets alternatively over the years. She reports that many of her Adams grandfathers held office in the towns of Medway and, after 1885, in Millis. Her understanding is that this map hung in the office of her great, great grandfather Edward Adams.

The following information on Walling is from the Boston Rare Maps website:

"Henry Walling was perhaps the most accomplished and interesting American mapmaker of the mid-late 19th century, in no small part because of his prolific output: Between 1848 and 1888 he produced perhaps 150 large-scale, separately-issued maps of American towns and counties; several seminal state maps; numerous state and county atlases; and many maps for the U.S. Geological Survey. But arguably his greatest impact was as a serial innovator. He helped pioneer new models of partnership between commercial, local, state and Federal mapping enterprises; demonstrated that commercial mapmakers could produce high-quality, low-cost maps by drawing on the work of government scientific agencies; was a leading advocate of applying geodetic survey methods and tools to local and regional surveys; and catalyzed the first topographical (i.e., three dimensional) survey of an American state."

The goal of the Millis Public Library Trustees is to put the map on display in the Local History room at the library. This is in keeping with the assumed original use of the map as a wall mounted reference for town officials. The map is currently attached at the top to a wooden molding stick and bottom rod that would have been part of a retraction mechanism – rolling the map up when not in use. The map suffers from some water damage, creasing damage and vermin chewing on the edges due to its haphazard storage over the years. The first step is to have the map stabilized – retaining its aged character and the original wooden hanging devices. After this is accomplished a second phase of the project will be to have the map mounted and framed for display in a historically sensitive way to ensure it is available for future generations.

Henry F. Walling Map Preservation Project Phase II

The trustees have had the map valued by Boston Rare Maps. This appraisal was completed through high resolution digital review. The estimated as-is condition is \$250 and as-restored \$1,500-1,750.

Phase I

As a result of CPA funding Phase I of the Henry F. Walling Map Preservation Project is complete. The map was stabilized and minimally repaired as part of that stabilization at the cost of \$450. Please note that the original wooded hanging devices and the map edging was in such ill repair that the devices could not be reattached to the stabilized map. The map is now in a "stand alone" (flat) condition, not suitable for "rolling-up" as required by the original hanging devices. The CPC committee had approved \$600 for this project, leaving \$150 unexpended.

Phase II

As previously stated, the goal of the Trustees is to have the map preserved **and** available to the public. There are several ways public access is envisioned:

1. Have a high-resolution digital file of the map created. This will allow the map to be shared electronically with the public in various ways and will ensure the historical information on the map will be preserved in perpetuity.
2. Produce two high resolution dry-mounted reproductions of the map. The Trustees would provide one of these reproductions to the Town and the other to the Historic Society for display. Note: Framing of these prints would be in a later phase of this project as a definitive quote for the framing could not be obtained without the actual item to be framed.
3. Mounting and framing of the original map in a preservation sensitive manner so it can be displayed in the Local History Room at the Millis Public Library and will remain available for future generations.

As with Phase I, the Trustees consulted with the President of Boston Rare Maps for vendor recommendations for Phase II. Based on those recommendations, the Trustees obtained quotes for items 1 and 2 above from Morin's Studio & Camera Shop in Milford and for item 3 from Michael's in Bellingham:

1. Digitization - \$55
2. 2 Dry-mounted Prints - \$703
3. Preservation Framed Original Print - \$711 (Note: This price is with discounted pricing offered periodically by the vendor. The Trustees would wait for discounted pricing to complete the framing. Full price quoted was \$1,527.)

Henry F. Walling Map Preservation Project Phase II

The Trustees are seeking Community Preservation Committee funding in the amount of \$1,469 for Phase II of the map project.

This project meets the Community Preservation Act goals. Phase II, as described above, will preserve, and provide improved public access to the map, a historic town document. It will be available for future generations of Millis citizens.

Morin's Studio & Camera Shop

Morin's Studio & Camera Shop

DATE 10/13 2020

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- quote -
C/O Wendy Barry

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ESTIMATE

ORDER
P55240

CUSTOMER

Wendy Barry (508) 376-9633

TAKEN BY

Anne

ORDER DATE

10/8/2020



Total Size: 42 3/4" x 31 3/4"

~~Your order is estimated to be completed on:~~

~~Thursday, October 22, 2020~~

We'll call you at (508) 376-9633 when it's ready for pickup.

Your framer Anne is available to answer any questions about your order, just call (508) 966-0463 or drop by Michaels Stores, Inc. #1034 at 251 Hartford Ave Bellingham, MA 02019-3007.

Privacy Policy:

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Artwork	Size	Condition	Mounts
Medway Map	36" x 25"	OK	Preservation
Description	List Price	Price	
1 3/16 Acid Free Foam Core Backing	\$9.00	\$0.00	
1 MP Acrylic (36" x 48")	\$855.00	\$0.00	
1 COUNTESS PLUS Claret 4Ply	\$356.00	\$0.00	
1 Plain Air Charcoal with Gold Lip 3873015	\$695.00	\$0.00	
1 Preservation	\$49.00	\$0.00	
1 Preservation Fit	\$53.00	\$0.00	
1 Ebony - 4 Ply Rag:B8644	\$179.00	\$0.00	
1 Basic(36" X 48")	--	\$279.00	
1 Upgrade Frame to Deluxe	--	\$71.00	
1 Upgrade Mat to Specialty Mat	--	\$15.00	
1 Upgrade Glass to Masterpiece Acrylic	--	\$189.00	
1 Add a HW Fabric Mat	--	\$115.00	

NOTES:

SUBTOTAL	\$669.00
QUANTITY	1
TAX	\$41.81

TOTAL: \$710.81

You saved \$1,527.00

2/ package pricing
10/8, 1pm