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May 7, 1999

TO: Members of the House of Representatives
FR: G. Steven Rowe, Speaker *JSR*
RE: Work in the Capitol Park

The State House renovation entered its next phase yesterday, as preparatory work began in the Capitol Park for the delivery of portable trailers. These units, which will be similar to portable classrooms, will house the occupants of the South Wing and the press corps. The units will be delivered over the next month and will be fitted with water and sewer connections.

The work planned this summer requires the temporary relocation of the legislators, legislative staff and members of the Governor's staff who currently occupy offices in the South Wing. Offices involved include the Senate President, Senate Majority and Minority, the Secretary of the Senate, Fiscal and Program Review, Information Services and some committee offices.

Seven of the eight leased units will be located in the upper corner of Capitol Park. This decision was made only after careful study of the alternative locations by the architect and engineers. Consideration was given to locating the units on the State House lawn, but this location would have required cutting down some of the magnificent trees that grace the lawn. The steep grade created additional engineering problems and would have been considerably more expensive.

Locating the units in the park turned out to be the most cost effective solution. No trees will be cut down; and the newly-constructed path system will be fully accessible as soon as the installation of the portable units is complete.

At the completion of the State House renovation, the Capitol Park will be fully restored. In fact, it will receive its own restoration, as the State House and Capitol Park Commission undertakes a plan to restore the park to the original design of Frederick Law Olmstead. This project will address drainage problems, enhance public use and restore the architect's original vision for a park of exceptional beauty and design.



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Augusta, Maine 04333

May 3, 1999

TO: Senate President Mark Lawrence
Senate Assistant Majority Leader Anne Rand
Senate Minority Leader Jane Amero
Secretary of the Senate Joy O'Brien

FROM: Stan Fairservice *Stan*

SUBJECT: Costs Associated With Location of Portables

Since our meeting on Friday afternoon I have had an opportunity to convey your decision regarding the location of the portable units to Granger Northern and have asked them to develop plans and prices to support your decision.

We are proceeding to take the initial steps to prepare the South Lawn to receive 4 portables. Grading will begin tomorrow, as will the removal of the trees in this area. As Granger has begun to confirm prices for this work -- reflecting the decision to have two different sites, I wanted you to be aware of the costs associated with the two-site decision so that you have all the information.

	1 Location (Park)	2 Locations (Park/South Lawn)
Computer Hubs	\$ 20,000	Potential additional costs
Site Preparation		
Gravel	5,000	\$ 15,000
Utility Work	20,000	35,000
CMP Transformer Pad	4,000	14,000
Installation		
Crane	---	20,000
Overtime	---	20,000
Total Est. Cost	\$ 49,000	\$104,000+

Again, we are moving ahead, but I wanted you to have this information. Please feel free to call me on my cell phone (462-1556) or at my home this evening (882-5092) if you have any questions or concerns.

SARAH C. TUBBESING
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

May 10, 1999

TO: Honorable Mark W. Lawrence, Chair
Honorable G. Steven Rowe, Vice-Chair
and Members of the Legislative Council

FROM: Sally *Sally* and Stan *Stan*

SUBJECT: Building Permit for Portable Units

We want to correct one error in the information presented to you at this afternoon's Council meeting. The installation of portable classrooms **does** require a building permit from the City of Augusta; and Granger Northern is in the process of applying for that permit.

We regret the error and would be happy to answer any questions.

cc: Joy O'Brien, Secretary of the Senate
Joseph Mayo, Clerk of the House
Legislative Staff Directors
Teen Griffin, Legislative Information Office