



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#15-1385**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** November 17, 2015

**TITLE:** Resolution to Approve Final Fiscal Year 2015 Consolidated Budget  
Amendment

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution amending the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Final Operating Budget.

**Background**

To properly balance and finalize the FY 2015 Operating Budget, it is necessary to adjust negative balances and align expenses to the proper funding sources.

Examples of recommended actions within the consolidated budget amendment are:

- transfer between funds;
- transfer between capital and operating budgets;
- transfer between capital projects;
- acceptance and appropriation of grant funding;
- amendment to staffing level;
- appropriation from fund balance; and
- appropriation for modified revenue and related expenditures.

Staff is recommending that the City Commission amend the FY 2015 Operating Budget and Community Investment Plan by approving the following transfers and appropriations:

## **City Clerk**

### **A. Transfer between Operating and Capital Projects - General Fund and General Capital Projects Fund - City Hall Lobby Renovations - \$185,000**

The City Clerk has remaining funds in the amount of \$185,000 left over in the FY 2015 budget that have been earmarked for renovations to the City Hall lobby including removal of the existing reception desk, construction of a new desk in another location, flooring, and lighting if necessary. In order to properly account for these funds, it is recommended to transfer these funds to the General Capital Projects Fund.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2015 operating budget and Community Investment Plan by amending the appropriate accounts in the General Fund and General Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$185,000 for City Hall Lobby Renovations.

## **City Commission**

### **B. Transfer between Operating Budgets - General Fund - To Correct the Departmental Overage - \$2,500**

During FY 2015, the City Commission's Office experienced a slight overage of approximately \$2,500 in their salaries account. Funds are available in another departmental budget and it is recommended to transfer them at this time to cover this overage.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2015 operating budget by amending the appropriate accounts in the General Fund in the amount of \$2,500 to adjust the budget for the overage in salaries.

## **Human Resources**

### **C. Appropriation from Fund Balance - Self Insured Health Fund - To Correct the Departmental Overage - \$1,022,446**

Health insurance claims for FY 2015 year came in higher than anticipated due to increased participant activity and must be adjusted to bring the budget back into balance. Funds are available in the Self Insured Health Fund Balance for this purpose.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2015 operating budget by amending the appropriate accounts in the Self Insured Health Fund in the amount of \$1,022,446 to adjust the budget for the increase in insurance claims.

## **Parks & Recreation**

### **D. Transfer between Operating Budgets - General Fund - To Correct the Departmental Overage - \$1,300,000**

The Parks and Recreation Department has experienced an overage in their part-time salaries and operating expenses for FY 2015 by approximately \$1,240,000. The overage is primarily due to an increase in part-time salaries for additional special events, recreation programs, and after school programming. The Department has implemented new programs such as Club 55 for Seniors and has enhanced their after school program services. In addition, due to an unusually dry summer, the department experienced a significant increase in water and sewer usage for median, parks, and right-of-way watering of approximately \$500,000.

Funds were budgeted in the Other General Government budget in FY 2015 to allow for fiscal impacts from the Teamsters and Federation collective bargaining agreements that were adopted during the year. Fortunately, those increases were able to be absorbed within the affected departments which leaves these funds available to be transferred to the Parks and Recreation Department at this time. In order to allow for any additional outstanding charges to their budget during the financial audit, a small buffer of approximately \$60,000 is also being included.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2015 operating budget by amending the appropriate accounts in the General Fund in the amount of \$1,300,000 to adjust the budget for the increase in part-time salaries and operating expenses.

#### **Resource Impact**

The fiscal impacts to the various funds are outlined in the tables below. The letters below correspond to the descriptions in the background section of the document.

Where applicable, the approval of companion agenda items listed below are contingent upon the approval of the respective companion items as part of this consolidated budget amendment.

## City Clerk

### A. Transfer between Operating and Capital Projects - General Fund and General Capital Projects Fund - City Hall Lobby Renovations - \$185,000

Appropriate From:

<i>Funds available as of October 29, 2015</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-CLK010101-6499	Administration	Capital Outlay/Other Equipment	\$ 220,912	\$ 220,912	\$ 185,000
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 185,000</b>

Appropriate To:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
331-P12198.331-6599	City Hall Security Improvements	Capital Outlay/Construction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 185,000
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 185,000</b>

## City Commission

### B. Transfer between Operating Budgets - General Fund - To Correct the Departmental Overage - \$2,500

Transfer From:

<i>Funds available as of November 1,0 2015</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-GEN030101-2301	Other Gen Govt	Fringe Benefits/Soc Sec/Medicare	\$ 222,414	\$ 162,061	\$ 2,500
<b>TRANSFER TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 2,500</b>

Transfer To:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-COM010101-1101	Administration	Salary & Wages/ Permanent Salaries	\$ 752,607	\$ (22,149)	\$ 2,500
<b>TRANSFER TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 2,500</b>

## Human Resources

### C. Appropriation from Fund Balance - Self Insured Health Fund - To Correct the Departmental Overage - \$1,022,446

Appropriate From:

<i>Funds available as of November 10, 2015</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
545-FD545-9901	Self-Insured Health Benefits	Other Uses/Anticipated Year End	\$ 1,353,727	\$ 1,353,727	\$ 1,022,446
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 1,022,446</b>

Appropriate From:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
545-INS220101-5131	Self Insured Health Benefits	Non Operating Expenses/Health Ins Claims	\$ 13,843,741	\$ (1,638,435)	\$ 1,022,446
<b>APPROPRIATION TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 1,022,446</b>

## Parks & Recreation

### D. Transfer between Operating Budgets - General Fund - To Correct the Departmental Overage - \$1,300,000

Transfer From:

<i>Funds available as of November 12, 2015</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-GEN030101-1101	Other Gen Govt	Salaries & Wages/ Permanent Salaries	\$ 1,173,106	\$ 1,173,106	\$ 1,173,106
001-GEN030101-2301	Other Gen Govt	Fringe Benefits/Soc Sec/Medicare	\$ 222,414	\$ 162,061	\$ 126,894
<b>TRANSFER TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 1,300,000</b>

Transfer To:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-PKR033201-1107	Youth Programs, Afterschool & Camps	Salaries & Wages/ Part Time Salaries	\$ 1,690,185	\$ (687,039)	\$ 752,000
001-PKR061901-3634	Median Maintenance	Services & Materials/Water/ Sew/Storm	\$ 2,044,830	\$ (116,431)	\$ 548,000
<b>TRANSFER TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$ 1,300,000</b>

## **Strategic Connections**

### Strategic Connections

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included within the Internal Support Cylinder, specifically advancing:

- Goal 12: Be a leading government organization, managing our resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community*.

## **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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