



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

#19-0296

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: March 19, 2019

TITLE: Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year
2019 – Appropriation

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution amending the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Budget.

Background

Examples of recommended actions within the 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 recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2019 Final Budget and appropriations:

Fire-Rescue

A. Appropriation of Fund Balance - General Fund – Fort Lauderdale Professional Firefighters Inc. IAFF Local 765, Settlement Agreement - \$3,995,417

It is anticipated that the City will settle a grievance filed by Fort Lauderdale Professional Firefighters Inc. IAFF Local 765 over differences in contract interpretation regarding pay adjustments. This settlement agreement would result in an estimated impact of \$5,650,319 to the General Fund. Of this, \$1,654,902 is included in the FY 2019 budget and \$3,995,417 is an unbudgeted impact. The annual, ongoing, cost of this agreement is estimated at \$2,912,679 excluding pension impacts which have not been estimated by an actuary.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2019 Final Budget in the amount of \$3,995,417 to appropriate General Fund Balance for the Settlement Agreement with Fort Lauderdale Professional Firefighters Inc. IAFF Local 765.

Source:

Funds available as of March 7, 2019

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-FD001-9901	General Fund	Other Uses/ Anticipated Year End Balance	N/A	N/A	\$3,995,417
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$3,995,417

Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-FIR030101-1801	Fire-Rescue Support	Salaries & Wages/ Core Adjustment	\$38,870,050	\$24,844,827	\$3,995,417
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$3,995,417

Finance

B. Appropriation of Fund Balance – Water & Sewer Fund – Water Meter Audit - \$200,000

Neighbors have expressed concern regarding abnormal water bills. City staff recommends contracting with a consultant to perform a water meter audit to determine the reason for these fluctuations. This study is an unbudgeted expense for FY 2019.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2019 Final Budget in the amount of \$200,000 for the Water Meter Audit.

Source:**Funds available as of March 13, 2019**

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
450-FD450.01-9901	Water and Sewer Fund	Other Uses/ Anticipated Year End Balance	N/A	N/A	\$200,000
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$200,000

Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
450-FIN100101-3199	Utility Billing and Collections	Services & Materials/ Other Professional Services	\$648,100	\$314,517	\$200,000
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$200,000

Finance Department**C. Appropriation of Unanticipated Revenue and Expense – Special Assessment Fund – WAVE Special Assessment Refund - \$66,977**

In May 2018, the City Commission decided not to continue to support the WAVE Streetcar project. The unwinding of this project requires that refunds are issued to the owners of the assessed properties. This budget amendment is to appropriate anticipated additional interest revenue received by the Downtown Development Agency for the WAVE. Staff recommends that the City appropriates this revenue to repay the WAVE Special Assessments.

Staff recommends that the City Commission amend the FY 2019 Final Budget in the amount of \$66,977 for the WAVE Special Assessment refund.

Source:*Funds available as of March 14, 2019*

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
148-TAM090101-N855	WAVE Special Assessment	Misc Revenue/WAVE Assessment Reimbursement	\$0	\$13,077	\$66,977
APPROPRIATION TOTAL →					\$66,977

Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
148-FD148.01-229-000020	WAVE Special Assessment	N/A	\$0	\$0	\$66,977
APPROPRIATION TOTAL →					\$66,977

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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