

Legislation Text

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ITEM TITLE:

#20-48 - Amending the 2020 Budget by Transferring \$1,712,675.08 from Unassigned General Fund Balance to Emergency Preparedness Reserve Fund for COVID Related and 2020 Emergency Expenditures

SUBMITTED BY: Brian Carlson, Finance Director

FISCAL NOTES:

Expenditure Required: \$1.71MM Unencumbered Balance: \$55MM Funding Source: unassigned general fund balance

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

- The attached resolution proposes a replenishment of the Emergency Preparedness reserve fund using unassigned General Fund balances as a funding source.
- The City historically carries a \$1MM balance in its **Emergency Preparedness** fund, and appropriates funds as needed upon adopting the annual budget. This fund is used for:
 - o emergency snow-shoveling temp wages during heavy snow events
 - Flooding events
 - Training and document preparation
 - Other emergency events
 - Related full-time wages
- Staff has exhausted the 2020 \$1MM balance as follows:
 - \$826K to Unified Command expenses (apprx \$240K remaining)
 - \$107K for Economic Relief shortfall (approx. \$6K remaining)
 - \$47K in media and consulting unrelated to COVID
- The proposed transfer of \$1.71MM represents \$1.69MM of awarded CARES grant funds, plus

\$26K for previously booked costs unrelated to the COVID event. Transferred funds will be allocated as follows

- o \$26K for snow shoveler temp wages from March, 2020
- \$600K for incurred (\$300K) and anticipated (\$300K) COVID-related wages and benefits
- \$1.1MM to replenish Emergency Preparedness balance, and to fund future COVIDrelated costs as approved by Unified Command.
- Staff anticipates the following reimbursements upon the conclusion of the COVID event:
 - \$1.69MM CARES grant award
 - 80% of approved ICS / Unified Command costs; reimbursement of current costs and encumbrances exceeds \$600K
 - CARES funding will partially (\$350K) offset the \$2.9MM Economic Relief program, and will also cover regular staff costs that do not qualify for ICS/FEMA reimbursement