City Council – Action Request Form

Date: November 1, 2017

To: The City Manager

From: Patrice Toney, Budget and Evaluation Director

Council Action Requested:

Consideration of Amendments to the FY 2017-18 Budget Ordinances for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina – Housing Finance Assistance Fund.

Strategic Focus Area: Service Excellence

Strategic Objective: Maintain City's Financial Strength

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

The proposed amendments to the FY 2017-18 budget ordinances authorize adjustments for the following purposes.

Appropriation of Grants and Other Revenues Received

□ In 2013, the Community Development Department was awarded a 3-year, \$2.5 million grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH). The purpose of the grant was to make funds available for the remediation of lead-based paint hazards in eligible homes throughout the city. The terms of the award specified that the grant would be subject to a 10% cap on administrative costs. At the conclusion of the performance period, \$940,947.38 of the original award had been expended, capping the allowance for administrative costs at \$94,947.38. Over the course of the grant term, production of lead-grant eligible rehabilitation cases lagged behind the

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established quarterly performance benchmarks. As a result, the rate of spending for administrative costs outpaced the rate of spending on rehabilitation casework leaving a deficit between the amount allowed and the amount expended on administrative costs. The proposed amendment appropriates \$163,900 from the Housing Finance Assistance fund to reimburse OLHCHH for overages on the amount expended for administrative costs.