



City of Winston-Salem City Council
Council Agenda Item Summary

Title	Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget Ordinances for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina
City Council Committee	Finance Committee
Meeting Date	April 14, 2026
Staff Lead (Presenter)	Scott Tesh, Budget and Performance Management Director
Department Head	Scott Tesh, Budget and Performance Management Director
City Manager/ACM	W. Patrick Pate, City Manager

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Recommended Council Action	Ordinance Approval
Suggested Action/ Motion Options	Motion to approve the ordinance amending the FY 25-26 budget ordinances
Strategic Focus Area	Good Government
Strategic Plan Objective	GG1: Delivering Efficient and Effective Core Services
Anticipated Fiscal Impact	Fiscal Impact Anticipated: See Analysis in Summary

Summary of Information

The proposed amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget ordinance authorizes adjustments for the following purposes.

Appropriation of Grants and Other Revenues Received

- The proposed amendment appropriates \$161,000 for a United States Environmental Protection Agency revolving loan related to the brownfield site cleanup of the WFIQ stormwater pond. The \$161,000 will be used to reimburse project expenditures incurred during the remediation of the stormwater pond.
- The proposed amendment appropriates a total of \$1,998,220 received for FY 25 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307 and 5339 grants. The total FY 25

Section 5307 capital grant appropriation is \$1,257,690, with funding split between the Federal Transit Administration (\$1,006,150) and WSTA fund reserves (\$251,540). The proposed amendment also appropriates a total of \$740,530 for the FY 25 Section 5339 grant, with funding split between the Federal Transit Administration (\$592,420) and WSTA fund reserves (\$148,110).

Transfers Between Employee Benefit Funds to Cover Healthcare Costs

- The proposed amendment transfers \$1.2 million from the Dental and Flex Benefit fund and \$2 million from the Employee Benefits fund to the Health Benefit fund. The transfer will cover current expenses in the benefit fund including an increase in pharmacy costs, healthcare claims costs, and catastrophic claims.

Funding Transfer for Continuity of Operations Planning Document

- The City/County Emergency Management Department will be working with a vendor on continuity of operations planning (COOP) policies and procedures for the City of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$110,000. That amount is being transferred into the Emergency Management operating budget from existing accounts in other service areas. Forsyth County will pay 50% of the cost of the project.

Attachments

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Committee Action	FC 4/14/2026
For:	Against:
Remarks: Unanimous Approved	