

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: October 15, 2024

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Scott Tesh, Budget and Performance Management Director

Council Action Requested:

Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget Ordinances for the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

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 Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget ordinances authorize adjustments for the following purposes.

Appropriation of Grants and Other Revenues Received

- On January 3, 2022, the grandstand at the Carolina Classic Fairgrounds was severely damaged by wind from a storm. The proposed amendment appropriates an additional \$123,880 in property insurance proceeds to repair the grandstand structure, lighting fixtures, and associated electrical infrastructure damaged by the storm.

Committee Action:

Committee	<u>FC- 10/15/2024</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<u></u>
Remarks:	<u></u>		

Re-Appropriation of Occupancy Tax Reserves for Shotgun House Legacy Project

- In May 2024, the Mayor and City Council approved a budget amendment for a \$70,000 contribution to Triad Cultural Arts, Inc. to apply toward the construction of the Shotgun House Legacy Project. The proposed amendment reappropriates occupancy tax fund reserves in the current fiscal year budget.

Technical Adjustment for Accounting Practices at the Benton Convention Center

- The City has a management agreement with Hospitality Ventures Management Group (HVMG) to manage the daily operations of the Benton Convention Center. Due to an accounting change, the City is now required to record the gross revenues and expenses that HVMG incurs in operating the convention center. The proposed amendment appropriates \$6.9 million in operating revenues and expenses to cover this change. This will have no impact on the overall net budget or operations of the convention center.