

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: March 14, 2023

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 2022-23 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 2022-23 budget ordinances authorize adjustments for the following purposes.

Appropriation of Grants and Other Revenues Received

- The Police Department has received additional federal forfeiture funds from the United States Department of Justice totaling \$21,050, and additional state-controlled substance tax receipts from the Office of the State Auditor totaling \$55,340. These funds would be used for training (\$21,050), and for the purchase of supplies and equipment (\$55,340). Future equipment purchases could include items such as safety gear, surveillance equipment, computer software and hardware, and other IT needs.

Committee Action:

Committee	<u>Finance 3/14</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<u></u>

Remarks:

- On March 28, 2022, City Council approved the sale of City-owned land at Union Cross Road and Axle Drive to Front Street Capital in the amount of \$8.0 million. A subsequent City Council action on April 18, 2022, allocated \$3.4 million in economic development funds to the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative, of which \$600,000 from the pending sale of the Union Cross property was appropriated on August 15, 2022 and moved to the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative to cover a shortfall of funds for Phase 1 of the project. The proposed amendment appropriates an additional \$2.8 million from the sale of the Union Cross property and moves that same amount to the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative for subsequent phases of the project.

- On January 3, 2022, the grandstand at the Carolina Classic Fairgrounds was severely damaged by wind from a storm. The proposed amendment appropriates \$325,570 in property insurance proceeds to repair the grandstand structure and replace property/equipment damaged by the storm.

Fund Balance Appropriation for Fire Vehicle Maintenance

- The Fire Department needs to increase their appropriation for Supplies and Services for Vehicular Maintenance due to inflation in fuel, vehicle parts and supplies, as well as repair contracts. The proposed amendment appropriates \$140,000 from general fund balance.