

# COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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**TO:** City Council Members

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**Budget and Policy Analysts** 

**DATE:** March 7, 2023

**RE:** Budget Amendment Number Five FY2023

**Project Timeline:** 

Set Date: February 21, 2023 1st Briefing: March 7, 2023 Public Hearing: March 7, 2023

2<sup>nd</sup> Briefing: TBD

Potential Action: March 21, 2023

Budget Amendment Number Five includes 24 proposed amendments, \$33,321,895 of expenditures of which \$6,240,349 is from Fund Balance, requested changes to six funds. If all the items are adopted as proposed, then Fund Balance would be 22.9% which is \$40,507,938 above the 13% minimum target.

Two items are urgent with straw poll requests: Item A-5 \$2.4 million additional funding for the radios upgrade, (was expected and builds on funding in the Sales Tax Bond) and Item A-3, an increase in the cost for fiber upgrades to City facilities to over \$250,000 (unexpected and urgent because it needs to be done during a street reconstruction project). As noted in the staff report, the Administration is requesting straw polls for both items.



### Council Request: Tracking New Ongoing General Fund Costs Approved in Midyear Budget Amendments

Council staff has provided the following list of new ongoing costs to the General Fund. Many of these are new FTE's approved during this fiscal year's budget amendments, noting that each new FTE increases the City's annual budget if positions are added to the staffing document.

Budget Amendment	Item	Estimated Cost Increase to Next Annual Budget	New City FTEs	Notes
#1	Homeless Shelter Cities Mitigation Grant Award	\$2.2 Million	13 new FTEs which includes: 12 police officers and one business and community liaison	Admin expects to apply for grant funding annually to cover these costs. General Fund would not need to cover costs if the State grant is awarded to the City to fully cover the costs.
#3	Utah League of Cities and Town Membership Cost Increase	\$38,000	N/A	Total annual membership cost is \$221,563
	Two Contract Development Specialists in Finance	\$207,800	Two new FTEs	
#4	Senior Project Manager in Public Services	\$168,000	One new FTE	The \$85 Million Parks Bond could pay for this FTE in future fiscal years. The General Fund fronted the cost in FY2023. The position sunsets with the bond funding.
	Two Planners in Public Lands	\$241,440	Two new FTEs	The \$85 Million Parks Bond could pay for these FTEs in future fiscal years. The General Fund fronted the cost in FY2023. The positions sunset with the bond funding.
	Volunteers of America (VOA) Salt Lake City Specific Outreach Team	\$274,000	N/A	Separate from VOA's countywide outreach team.  Four existing VOA workers: Two case managers and two coordinators
	Police Substation on North Temple and Downtown Central Precinct Leases and Utilities	\$130,000	N/A	
TOTALS		\$3,259,240	18	3 of the new FTEs sunset with the GO Bond funding, and some are covered with potential future state grant awards

Disclaimer: For the chart above, staff didn't include a couple Youth & Family and Police Department multi-year grants since they would not create cost increases for the next annual budget.



### REVISED TRANSMITTAL AND REVISED REVENUE AND FUND BALANCE CHARTS

				Amended Variance
				Favorable
Revenue	FY22-FY23 Annual Budget	FY22-23 Amended Budget	Revised Forecast	(Unfavorable)
Property Taxes	125,012,927	125,012,927	125,012,927	-
Sale and Use Taxes	105,050,018	105,050,018	108,269,378	3,219,360
Franchise Taxes	11,657,128	11,657,128	11,640,553	(16,575)
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	1,638,222	1,638,222	1,638,222	- ,
Total Taxes	243,358,295	243,358,295	246,561,080	3,202,785
Licenses and Permits	40,736,114	40,736,114	41,114,687	378,573
Intergovernmental Revenue	4,644,622	4,644,622	4,722,377	77,755
Interest Income	2,071,154	2,071,154	4,771,154	2,700,000
Fines	3,765,174	3,765,174	3,817,666	52,492
Parking Meter Collections	2,635,475	2,635,475	2,635,475	-
Charges, Fees, and Rentals	4,432,794	4,432,794	4,887,307	454,513
Miscellaneous Revenue	3,438,710	3,438,710	3,857,347	418,637
Interfund Reimbursement	24,431,717	24,431,717	24,422,422	(9,295)
Transfers	28,821,993	34,921,993	34,829,993	(92,000)
Total W/O Special Tax	358,336,048	364,436,048	371,619,508	7,183,460
Additional Sales Tax (1/2%)	44,364,490	44,364,490	45,614,490	1,250,000
Total General Fund	402,700,538	408,800,538	417,233,998	8,433,460

### **Revenue for FY2023 Budget Adjustments**

According to the Administration, the current projections for fiscal year 2023 projections continue to be positive. Actual sales tax revenue received is currently projected to exceed budget by \$3.2 million while the sales tax associated with Funding Our Future is projected to exceed budget by \$1.25 million. Building permits continue to stay strong projecting to be over budget by \$378,573. Charges and services is projecting to be over budget because of strong numbers from <u>police service revenues</u>, while miscellaneous revenue shows an increase over budget due to an increase in fuel reimbursement costs. The City is also projecting a large surplus due to the rising interest rates.

### **Staff Note Clarification:**

Other Police Services Revenue includes contractual agreements for the following: Jordan River Patrol, Task force UHP Crosswalk and Speed control, South Salt Lake, North Salt Lake. The agreement reimburses overtime for police officers who assist in the areas. There is an offsetting PD overtime expenditure.



### **Fund Balance**

The Administration's chart below shows the current General Fund Balance figures.

	FY2022 Projection			FY2023 Budget		
	FOF	GF Only	TOTAL	FOF	GF Only	TOTAL
Beginning Fund Balance	12,114,190	104,171,780	116,285,970	18,395,660	141,728,022	160,123,682
Budgeted Change in Fund Balance	(2,879,483)	(15,335,334)		(2,100,608)	(20,736,262)	(22,836,870)
Prior Year Encumbrances	(1,879,654)	(10,259,789)	(12,139,443)	(3,162,300)	(17,260,909)	(20,423,209)
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance	7,355,053	78,576,657	85,931,710	13,132,752	103,730,851	116,863,603
Beginning Fund Balance Percent	14.28%	22.33%	21.30%	29.60%	28.46%	28.58%
Year End CAFR Adjustments	i					
Revenue Changes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expense Changes (Prepaids, Receivable, Etc.)	-	(7,535,897)	(7,535,897)		(8,556,220)	(8,556,220)
Fund Balance w/ CAFR Changes	7,355,053	71,040,760	78,395,813	13,132,752	95,174,631	108,307,383
Final Fund Balance Percent	14.28%	20.19%	19.43%	29.60%	26.11%	26.49%
Budget Amendment Use of Fund Balance	i					
BA#1 Revenue Adjustment			_	_	_	_
BA#1 Expense Adjustment	-	5,138,235	5,138,235	_	(475,000)	(475,000)
BA#2 Revenue Adjustment		490,847	490,847	_		
BA#2 Expense Adjustment	- !	(986,298)	(986,298)			-
BA#3 Revenue Adjustment	- 1			-	6,000,000	6,000,000
BA#3 Expense Adjustment	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(2,000,000)	-	(6,538,000)	(6,538,000)
BA#4 Revenue Adjustment		1,508,044	1,508,044	-	194,600	194,600
BA#4 Expense Adjustment	-	(4,242,779)	(4,242,779)	-	(7,584,328)	(7,584,328)
BA#5 Revenue Adjustment		400,000	400,000	-		
BA#5 Expense Adjustment	- 1	(400,000)	(400,000)	-	(4,451,976)	(4,451,976)
BA#6 Revenue Adjustment	. į					
BA#6 Expense Adjustment	- j	(1,553,938)	(1,553,938)		-	
BA#7 Revenue Adjustment	-	(794,641)	(794,641)			
BA#7 Expense Adjustment	(1,200,000)	(10,843,298)	(12,043,298)			
Change in Revenue	11,139,999	23,083,587	34,223,586	-	-	-
Change in Expense	2,100,608	12,134,899	14,235,507			
Fund Balance Budgeted Increase	-	-	-			
Adjusted Fund Balance	18,395,660	93,975,418	112,371,078	13,132,752	82,319,927	95,452,679
Adjusted Fund Balance Percent	35.72%	26.70%	27.86%	29.60%	22.58%	23.34%
Proposed/Adopted Revenue	51,499,136	351,910,770	403,409,906	44,364,490	364,530,648	408,895,138



### **Impact Fees Update**

The Administration's transmittal does not provide an updated summary of impact fee tracking. The information from Budget Amendment No. 5 is copied below and is current as of 12/28/22. As a result, the City is on-track with impact fee budgeting to have no refunds during all of FY2023 and FY2024. The Administration reports work is nearing completion to update the fire and parks sections of the impact fee plan. The transportation section was updated in October 2020. Eligible projects for police impact fees are being identified. Note that the below balances were updated based on the Council's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project funding decisions.

Туре	Unallocated Cash "Available to Spend"	Next Refund Trigger Date	Amount of Expiring Impact Fees
Fire	\$1,479,222	More than a year away	-
Parks	\$12,150,505	More than a year away	-
Police	\$989,579	More than a year away	-
Transportation	\$4,182,237	More than a year away	-

Note: Encumbrances are an administrative function when impact fees are held under a contract

### **Section A: New Items**

(Note: to expedite the processing of this staff report, staff has included the Administration's descriptions from the transmittal for some of these items)

### A-1: Rapid Intervention Team Trailer (\$25,000 from General Fund Balance to the Fleet Fund)

The Administration is requesting one-time funding to purchase a second outfitted trailer for the Rapid Intervention Team. The additional trailer is expected to enable the team to spend less time waiting in line at the landfill by the team taking full trailer loads to the landfill when wait times are shorter.

### A-2: City Hall Earthquake Repairs (\$2.65 Million from General Fund Balance to the CIP Fund)

These funds would be in addition to \$9.2 million previously approved by the Council to repair damage from the 5.7 magnitude earthquake in March 2020. If approved as requested, then the project is expected to be fully funded. All of the expenses are expected to be reimbursed by insurance. The true cost would not be known until the project goes out to bid and receives proposals. The funding also includes ancillary costs such as protection of artworks, temporary office moves, and consultants. Repairs could take a year to be completed from the date of selecting a contractor bid.

The Engineering Division has worked with the City's property insurance company (FM Global) on the full extent of needed repairs and associated cost estimates. Attachment 1 to the transmittal includes a breakout of these expenses. Note that the cost of inflation experienced since the earthquake will be covered by insurance.

## A-3: Fiber Conduit to Improve Connections between City Facilities as part of the 200 South Reconstruction Project (\$242,285 from the IMS Fund)

The project would improve connections between City facilities downtown and on the Westside including the Airport, Pioneer Park, and multiple offices, and increase capacity for future needs. The Council approved \$150,000 in the annual budget of which \$100,000 is continuing the City Connect program and the remaining \$50,000 is going to the fiber conduit improvements. There are potential benefits such as cost savings and reduced disruption to the neighborhood by including this project in the reconstruction of 200 South when underground utilities are more easily accessible to upgrade.

> The Administration has requested a straw poll for this item to avoid an upcoming price increase and to fit the project within the reconstruction schedule.

### A-4: Withdrawn Prior to Transmittal

### A-5: Public Safety Radio Replacements Cost Increases (\$2.4 Million from the IMS Fund)

These are in addition to the \$3.7 million from the IMS Fund approved as part of FY2023 CIP. The \$6.1 million is for public safety handheld and mobile radio replacements, control stations, some special accessories for certain work



groups, removal of the old and installation of new equipment. IMS reports another \$2 million is anticipated to be needed for similar replacements of non-public safety radios. Enterprise funds like the Airport and Public Utilities are budgeting to cover their radio equipment replacements.

The Council separately funded \$7.5 million for radio towers and related infrastructure in the 2022 sales tax revenue bond approved in Budget Amendment #4 last December.

> The Administration has requested a straw poll for this item to avoid a price increase later in March.

# A-6: Consulting to Create Enterprise Bill System Replacement for Public Utilities Billing System (PUBS) (\$250,000 from the IMS Fund)

PUBS was developed and expanded by IMS over the past two decades. The system is reaching end of life and needs to be replaced. Some General Fund departments use the system like Sustainability and Community and Neighborhoods in addition to Public Utilities (which is an enterprise fund). This funding is to hire a consultant evaluating the City's needs and recommending options to replace PUBS. Microsoft support for the current system is expected to end as soon as July 2024.

### A-7: Lindsey Gardens CIP Project Rescope (\$459,360 in the CIP Fund)

The Public Lands Department is requesting a rescope of remaining funds to complete a reduced scope of work in response to cost increases. The primary scope change is renovating the concession stand instead of a full rebuild at a new location with new utility lines. The Department evaluated rebuilding a smaller and simpler concession stand at the current location but inflation resulted in cost estimates even higher than the original scope. The Avenues Baseball League previously donated \$10,000 towards the project.

The revised scope of work includes the following items in order of priority. The rescope may not be enough to fully fund all items. The Department would construct these items as far as the funding allows.

- Concession stand renovation
- Pedestrian path to middle field
- Batting cage renovation
- Covering dugouts with shade canopies
- Trail from middle field to lower field

The Council approved \$557,000 in FY2019 and FY2020 CIP for improvements to Lindsey Gardens baseball fields and pedestrian access. \$97,640 was spent on design fees and engineering. The remaining balance would be rescoped.

The following note was provided by the league President in support of the rescope request:

This note is to confirm that the Board of Directors of the Avenues Baseball League (ABL) has been informed of and approved the changes to the scope of work at Lindsey Gardens. As president of the league, I have been involved with you, Dat, Preston, and others to change the scope of work and establish new priorities given the anticipated cost overruns after getting the bids for the original scope of work. I have communicated the revised scope of work and the priority of the projects to the ABL board. The board agrees with the priorities that we have discussed and is eager to get on with the project.

Bart Cocke President, Avenues Baseball League

### A-8: Anonymous Donation for the Avenues City Cemetery (\$1 Million Donation)

This item would recognize an anonymous donation to the City for cemetery maintenance and improvements.

# A-9: One-time Retention Bonuses and Ongoing Hiring Bonuses for Police Officers (\$4.3 Million from ARPA and \$1,201,976 from General Fund Balance)

The Police Department estimates three to seven years to reach full staffing based on current hiring and retention rates. This item would fund a new bonus program to incentivize longer retention of officers and faster hiring of new

officers. The bonus program is intended to stabilize staffing and help the Department reach full staffing within two years. Note that there are many unknowns outside the City's control when projecting when the Police Department could reach full staffing such as the number of qualified candidates applying, the state of the Wasatch Front metropolitan and national economies, officers on leave, crime rates, etc.

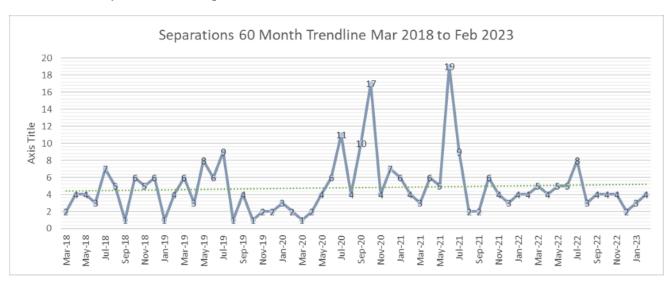
The Police Department is seeking funding to provide <u>one-time retention bonuses</u> to existing police officers. The retention bonus would be \$5,000 for officers who agree to continue employment for one-year or \$8,000 for a two year commitment. The retention bonuses would be staggered by timing them to an employee's hiring date anniversary. Approximately \$1 million would be needed in the next annual budget to continue the bonus program because of the design to stagger bonuses based on hiring date anniversaries. Retention bonuses would be paid to all existing sworn officers.

The Department is also seeking funding to provide <u>ongoing hiring bonuses</u> of \$10,000 for lateral officers with a one year commitment and \$5,000 for self-sponsored candidates of a qualifying POST-certified police academy. The self-sponsored candidates would still need to complete additional training specifically required by the Department. Hiring bonuses would require a one-year commitment to continue employment with the Department.

If an officer leaves before their commitment period is completed, then a prorated amount of the bonus would need to be repaid. Employment separations for any reasons have occurred at all staffing levels. There does not appear to be a higher rate of vacancies at certain years of services or ranks.

Funding for the bonuses includes pensionable costs that the Utah Retirement System requires municipalities contribute to public safety officers' retirement accounts. For example, the \$10,000 hiring bonus for a lateral officer also requires a \$4,680 pension contribution for a total one-year cost to the City of \$14,680.

The Department reports there are currently 34 police officer vacancies and 26 civilian vacancies. At full staffing there would be 582 sworn officers and 148 civilian staff. The Department provided the below chart showing police officer separations over the past five years. It shows elevated separations from June 2020 to August 2021 and then a return to the five year trend in the past 18 months.



If this item is approved, then the City's remaining ARPA funds would be \$21,269,039. The City used over \$31 million from ARPA for General Fund revenue loss in the last two annual budgets. The next annual budget for FY2024 is also expected to be eligible for \$10 million or more revenue loss using ARPA. Other ongoing ARPA eligible expenses previously discussed by the Council that could be in the next annual budget are \$792,195 for park rangers salary restoration and \$252,150 for Grant Administrator and Economic Development FTEs. The Grant Administrator would be eligible for \$207,167 in FY2025 – FY2026. If ARPA funded all these items, then the remaining balance of ARPA would be \$10,017,527. There may also be ARPA funds budgeted in prior years that were not spent and could be recaptured for new uses. (See policy question below).

### **Policy Questions:**

- Larger Bonus and Shorter Commitment for Lateral Officers than Current Officers The Council may wish to ask the Administration why lateral officers would be required to make a shorter commitment of one-year while receiving a larger bonus of \$10,000 compared to the retention bonus for existing officers which is \$5,000 for a one-year commitment or \$8,000 for a two-year commitment.
- ➤ <u>Lateral Officer Retention and Resignation</u> Some Council Members asked are laterals more likely to stay in the department longer than new hires? And how long do laterals stay in the department? The Council may wish to ask the Administration to research these questions. At the time of publishing this staff report an answer was not readily available.
- ➤ <u>Status of City ARPA Funds</u> The Council may wish to discuss with the Administration, or schedule a future briefing about, the City's remaining ARPA funds, needs in the next annual budget, and how much, if any, ARPA appropriations from past fiscal years were unused and available for recapture. The U.S. Treasury set a deadline of December 31, 2024 for ARPA funds to be committed (such as budgeted and under a contract), and to be fully spent by the end of 2026.

### A-10: Real Property Purchase (\$825,000 from General Fund Balance to the CIP Fund)

The item would facilitate acquisition of real property. Per state law this is eligible to be discussed in a closed session. Discussions are ongoing and the Council may hold additional deliberations before considering whether to approve this funding.

# A-11: Study to Create Downtown Main Street Pedestrian Mall Additional Funding (\$100,000 from General Fund Balance)

In the FY2023 annual budget, the Council approved \$150,000 from the RDA Central Business District project area for a study to create a pedestrian mall on Main Street between South Temple and 400 South. The Economic Development Department is requesting additional funding based on the final scope of work. Note that this is separate from actual implementation of the "open streets" concept. The study will look at options to close the street permanently or partially including potentially based on seasons, day of the week, and time of day.

The scope of work includes examining the current street conditions, creating planning and design recommendations (including emergency vehicle access, maintenance, utilities access, accessibility considerations, operations and maintenance needs, landscaping, and drainage, etc.), visualizing concept designs, public outreach, and calculating a cost analysis for each future phase of the project.

The Department indicates that they anticipate selecting the contractor in the late spring, with deliverables identified in the fall of 2023.

### **Policy Questions:**

- Scope of Work The Council may wish to discuss whether the scope of work meets the Council's goals for the study.
- ➤ 2023 Activation and Programming on Main Street Downtown—The Council approved funding the last few years to partially close Main Street from South Temple to 400 South on weekends between Memorial Day and Labor Day. There is currently no funding available to continue the program this coming summer. The Council may wish to discuss with the Administration what would be needed to continue the program this summer. Pandemic-related changes to state and city regulations are no longer in effect which previously help facilitate the program. See Council Added item I -1 for a placeholder to achieve some of these policy goals in the coming year.

# **Section B: Grants for Existing Staff Resources Section** (None)

# **Section C: Grants for New Staff Resources Section** (None)

### **Section D: Housekeeping**

### D-1: Interest on General Obligation Series 2019A, Series 2020 and Series 2021

General Obligation Bond Series 2019A, was issued in October 2019 to fund reconstruction of City streets. Par value of the issued bonds was \$22,840,000. At the time the bonds were issued the proceeds were deposited with the Trustee. Since then, unspent bond proceeds have earned interest. This amendment will adjust the budget to reflect actual proceeds available including interest earned from September 2021 through November 2022. General Obligation Bond Series 2020, was issued in September 2020 to fund reconstruction of City streets. Par value of the issued bonds was \$17,745,000. At the time the bonds were issued the proceeds were deposited with the Trustee. Since then, unspent bond proceeds have earned interest. This amendment will adjust the budget to reflect actual proceeds available including interest earned from September 2021 through November 2022. General Obligation Bonds Series 2021, was issued in November 2021 to fund reconstruction of City streets. Par value of the issued bonds was \$20,600,000. At the time the bonds were issued the proceeds were deposited with the Trustee. Since then, unspent bond proceeds have earned interest. This amendment will adjust the budget to reflect actual proceeds available including accumulated interest from December 2021 through November 2022.

### D-2: Steiner Roof Replacement – County and CIP Portions WITHDRAWN BY THE ADMINISTRATION

### D-3: 300 West Roadway Bond Adjustments

Public Services Engineering Division is requesting to revise the second tranche of bond funds. The 300 West project – Cost Center 83-21201 is coming in under budget in the amount of \$2,150,000. To ensure we utilize all of the bond funds before they expire, it is in our best interest to move these funds to Cost Center 83-21203 which is a Bond Contingency Cost Center. This will provide flexibility to use these funds on other approved bond projects within the bond's scope as funding is needed. The potential funding uses includes local street reconstruction candidates as listed below.

- 600 S from 900 W to 800 W at an initial estimated cost of \$746,984
- 800 W from ARAPAHOE AV to 600 S at an initial estimated cost of \$191,476
- 800 W from ARAPAHOE AV to 700 S at an initial estimated cost of \$218,109
- 900 S from 1100 E to 1200 E at an initial estimated cost of \$501,825
- BRYAN AVE from 800 E to 900 E at an initial estimated cost of \$310,153
- INDUSTRIAL RD from 2100 S to ASSOCIATED AV at an initial estimated cost of \$401,643
- JEFFERSON ST from TERMINUS END to 1400 S at an initial estimated cost of \$80,300
- KENSINGTON AVE from 800 E to 900 E at an initial estimated cost of \$308,933
- LIBERTY AVE from LAKE ST to 800 E at an initial estimated cost of \$81,454
- ROOSEVELT AVE from 600 E to 700 E at an initial estimated cost of \$239,128

### D-4: Insurance Funds for City and County Building / Earthquake Damage

Public Services' Engineering division has been working with the City's Insurance carrier (FM Global) to receive funding for earthquake damages to the City and County building. The amount has been agreed to and is currently being processed. This amendment allows for the revenue to be recorded and the corresponding expense budget of \$7,252,300.

### D-5: IMS Budget for New General Fund Positions

Budget was approved for a \$207,000 general fund transfer to IMS for the cost of hardware for newly funded general fund positions, but the budget for the revenue coming in from the general fund and the expenditure on the hardware was inadvertently left out of the IMS budget. This amendment will rectify that mistake.

### D-6: Real Property Purchase - CIP Budget Associated with BA #4 Council-Added Initiative

In budget amendment #4 the Council added a general fund budget of \$3,567,564 for a real property purchase. Typically, real property purchases are budgeted in a CIP cost center in order for the asset to be capitalized. This amendment will add the necessary CIP budget for the purchase.

### D-7: Move Cost of Bond Issuance Costs from CIP to Debt Service Fund Class

Per GASB 65, the cost of issuance for bonds is a non-capital expense. The cost of issuance budgets for General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022, and Sales and Excise Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 C Federally Taxable were recorded in Fund Class 83 CIP. Fund Class 83 CIP is reserved for capital expense. The proper accounting treatment for cost of issuance expense budgets is to record them in Fund Class 81 Debt Service. This budget amendment proposes to move the approved cost of issuance non-capital budgets from Fund Class 83 CIP to Fund Class 81 Debt Service.

### **Section E: Grants Requiring No New Staff Resources**

### E-1: Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance Program 2 Additional Resources (\$4 Million Grant)

This budget amendment is to recognize the City's additional allocation of the American Rescue Plan Act, Treasury Emergency Rent Assistance Program 2 (ERAP 2) funds, in the amount of \$4,000,000, for the purpose of assisting in the stabilization and recovery of COVID-affected, low-income renters in Salt Lake City. All ERAP 2 funds must be obligated by September 30, 2025.

The Administration is proposing to split the funds into two uses:

- \$2 million for rental assistance including security deposits, utilities, and past due amounts, and
- \$2 million for a public competitive application process to fund eligible housing stability services provided by community-based organizations which include:
  - o Case management,
  - Eviction prevention and diversion programs,
  - Mediation between landlords and tenants,
  - Housing counseling including Fair Housing Act protections and requirements,
  - Housing navigators or promotors that help households access emergency rental assistance programs or find housing,
  - o Housing related services for survivors of domestic abuse or human trafficking,
  - Legal services or attorney's fees related to eviction proceedings and maintaining housing stability,
     and
  - Specialized services for individuals with disabilities or seniors that support their ability to access or maintain housing.

The Utah Rent Relief program and website rentrelief.utah.gov stopped accepting applications on February 5, 2023. The \$2 million proposed for rental assistance would go through the Utah Rent Relief program to fund applications submitted before the deadline.

This budget amendment is separate from previous Council-approved City ERAP allocations: ERAP 1 Initial Award (\$6,067,033), ERAP 1 Additional Allocation (\$3,000,000), ERAP 1 Additional Allocation (\$5,000,000), and ERAP 2 Initial Award (\$4,800,559.40). \$1,031,336 from the earlier ERAP 2 award are still available and expected to be spent this year. All ERAP 1 funds had a spending deadline of December 29, 2022.

### **Policy Questions:**

- Prioritizing between Rent Assistance and Housing Stability Services The Council may wish to discuss how to prioritize the \$4 million of additional funding among the eligible uses listed above.
- ➤ <u>Delegating Authority for Final Funding Decision</u> Does the Council want to delegate authority for the Administration to make final funding decisions on awards to providers of eligible housing stability services or retain final funding decision making authority after receiving funding recommendations from an advisory board and Mayor?

Section	F:	<b>Donations</b>

(None)

### Section G: Council Consent Agenda No. 5

# G-1: Know Your Neighbor Grant Program, Open Society Foundation - Salt Lake County (\$61,000 from Miscellaneous Grants)

The Mayor's Office of Equity & Inclusion received \$61,000 in grant funding from Salt Lake County as a pass through from the County's application to the Operation Afghan Resettlement Support (OARS) program. The County was awarded \$150,000 and is requesting to partner with Salt Lake City's Know Your Neighbor Program to assist the County in assimilating and welcoming the Afghan Refugees. The funding will be used to hire a new part-time program coordinator and not more than \$1,000 for the program coordinator to travel for program related purposes. No match is required. A public hearing will be held for this grant application on 10/18/2022.

# G-2: Utah State Office of Education, Child and Adult Care Food Program - Youth After School Programs (\$46,000 from Miscellaneous Grants)

The Youth & Family Division of Public Services applied for and received a continuation grant offered annually by the Utah State Office of Education, under the Child and Adult Care Food Program. These funds are available to youth service providers as part of the At-Risk Snack Program to reimburse for the costs of snacks served to children participating in the after-school programs. Central City Recreation Center, Fairmont Park, Glendale Library, Liberty Park, Northwest Rec. Center, Ottinger Hall, the Youth and Family Division Office, and Sorenson Campus will receive reimbursement directly through the State Office of Education and will receive up to \$46,000, based on qualified snack expenses. SLC is reimbursed on a monthly basis and only qualified healthy snacks and meals served to children participating in the after-school enrichment/education activities during the afterschool program hours are eligible for reimbursement. A public hearing was held for the grant application on 10/4/2022.

### Section G: Council Consent Agenda No. 6

# G-1: U S Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), FY22 Community Police Development (CPD) Grant

The Police department applied for and received a \$24,170 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services through the FY22 Community Policing Development Grant. The grant will fund an evaluation for the Promising Youth Project. The project will fund training and curriculum recommended by the evaluation contractor. The Police Department will develop an evaluation that will provide four major services: Evaluation of Program Fidelity, Evaluation of Program Outcomes, Training and Technical Assistance, and development of a Final Report. A Public Hearing was held on 07/19/2022 for the grant application on this award.

### **Section I: Council Added Items**

# Placeholder I-1: Downtown Streets Enhanced Activation (\$500,000\* from General Fund Balance) Some Council Members expressed interest in funding enhanced street activation in the downtown area particularly during the summer. Additional discussion and work would be needed to determine what types of activation activities would be eligible for this funding and feasible within the months before the summer. (\*\$500,000 is a placeholder and actual amount needed will depend on identifying activities and times)

# I-2: Technology Upgrades in the Committee of the Whole and Formal Chamber Rooms (\$80,000 from General Fund Balance)

These one-time funds would be for additional technology improvements to the two rooms the Council uses for open and public meetings. Many of the upgrades are related to communication and network equipment needed to successfully run hybrid meetings. The funds may also be used for removable ADA accessibility ramps in the Formal Chamber.

# I-3: Physical Security Improvements to City Hall (\$1-3 Million from General Fund Balance to CIP Fund Holding Account)

These one-time funds would be used for additional physical security improvements to City Hall. The funds would be placed into a holding account pending specific project proposals to use the funds. The amount is a placeholder based on previous Council discussions/estimates and is not based on cost estimates for specific projects.

# I-4: "Lockhart Alley" Reconstructing Three Sections (\$208,373 from General Fund Balance to CIP Fund)

These one-time funds would be used to reconstruct three sections of the alley from 1300 South to Kensington. The alley is located between Major Street and State Street. The funds would address drainage issues and repaving. The funding does not include fencing, lighting, or other enhancements.

### **Policy Questions:**

- > Status of Alley Programs and Funding The Council may wish to ask the Administration how much funding remains from the special pilot program funded two years ago, and the alley maintenance funding from FY2023 CIP. Both prior appropriations could also be used for this project.
- Fencing, Lighting, and Other Potential Needs The Council may wish to ask the Administration whether additional funding is needed beyond addressing pavement and drainage issues along this alley, and whether Public Utilities has funding that could be contributed to the project.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

(none)

### **ACRONYMS**

ABL - Avenues Baseball League

BA – Budget Amendment

CIP - Capital Improvement Program

COPS – Community Oriented Policing Services

CPD – Community Police Development Grant

ERAP – Emergency Rental Assistance Program

FY - Fiscal Year

FOF - Funding Our Future

GASB – Governmental Accounting Standards Board

GF – General Fund

IMS – Information Management Services

OARS – Operation Afghan Resettlement Support Program

POST - Police Officer Standards and Training

PUBS - Public Utilities Bulling System

RDA – Redevelopment Agency