

December 8, 2021

To:

Mayor and Members of City Council

From:

Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

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Subject:

Emergency Ordinance - Council: Establish New Council Office

**Budgets** 

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the transfer of the sum of \$375,554.94 within the General Fund, from and to various City Council operating budget accounts, for the purpose of providing resources to incoming Councilmembers for the remainder of FY 2022, in accordance with the attached Schedule of Transfer.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer of the sum of \$375,554.94 within the General Fund, from and to various City Council operating budget accounts, for the purpose of providing resources to incoming Councilmembers for the remainder of FY 2022, in accordance with the attached Schedule of Transfer.

The Approved FY 2022 Budget includes sufficient resources for each Councilmember for the entire fiscal year. The Finance Department encumbered approximately half of budgeted resources to reserve for the second half of FY 2022 with the intention to either release the encumbrance for use or transfer the resources depending on the outcome of the November 2021 general election.

A total of six new Councilmembers were elected in the November 2021 general election and now require operating resources effective January 4, 2022, for the remainder of FY 2022. The encumbered resources associated with the six exiting Councilmembers will be released and transferred to the new Councilmembers.

The Finance Department will make the entirety of existing FY 2022 resources available for the three returning Councilmembers, including Councilmembers Kearney, Keating, and Landsman.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to provide operating budget resources to the incoming City Councilmembers.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director Karen Alder, Finance Director