

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS
AS APPROVED BY ANN ARBOR CITY COUNCIL
ON MAY 16, 2022**

Amendment 1

Amendment to Appropriate Marijuana Excise Tax Revenue

Whereas, On March 15, 2021 the Ann Arbor City Council resolved (R-21-098) to commit marijuana excise tax funds to spending that “intentionally reinvests in our community, acknowledges the past harm of criminalization, and supports populations disproportionately and negatively impacted by the ‘War on Drugs’”; and

Whereas, That resolution identified “demonstrated needs...in the areas of providing Mental Health services, augmenting Emergency Services response with a desire to place Mental Health Professionals at the forefront of appropriate emergency response, and continuing efforts to expand social justice work”; and

RESOLVED, That City Council appropriate \$935,336 on a non-recurring basis from the General Fund fund balance for the purpose of the following programs:

- \$572,000 to establish a Deflection Pilot Program, including gathering data on the population served and success rate
- \$100,000 for a Public Works Apprenticeship Program for entry-level Public Works positions
- \$100,000 for Utility Support for Residents in Need through Barrier Busters
- \$75,000 to the Ann Arbor Housing Commission, to provide planning support for the creation of a BIPOC Small Business Development Space on the first floor of 121 E. Catherine Street
- \$60,000 to the Office of Sustainability and Innovation for the Low-Income Sustainability Grants Program
- \$28,336 to the Washtenaw County's Child Savings Account (CSA) Program, establishing asset-building accounts for BIPOC and/or low-income children, dedicated for expenses associated with postsecondary education

RESOLVED, That all programs listed herein are to be funded on a one-time basis in FY 2023 and that the programs shall be eliminated if additional recurring funding is not available to continue the programs in future years.

Sponsors: Briggs, Disch, Grand, Radina, and Song

Approved as Presented on a 6-5 Roll Call Vote.

Amendment 2

Amendment to Appropriate \$240,000 to the Office Sustainability and Innovation for a Low-income Sustainability Grants Program

Whereas, the Office of Sustainability and Innovation (OSI) has identified a need for low-income grants to help residents pay for some of the upfront costs of improvements to make their homes safer, healthier, more comfortable, and more sustainable.

RESOLVED, That City Council appropriate \$240,000 from the General Fund fund balance to the FY 2023 Office of Sustainability expenditure budget for the purpose of establishing a Low-Income Sustainability Grants Program on a one-time, nonrecurring basis.

Sponsors: Briggs, Disch, Eyer, Grand and Song

Approved on a 7-4 Roll Call Vote.

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Amendment 3

Amendment to add 1.0 FTE for an Assistant City Attorney Position and Appropriate Funding for Software Replacement

Whereas, the City Attorney's Office is experiencing increased demand for its services with increasingly complex legal issues being discussed in our community;

Whereas, it is more cost efficient to hire an internal resource rather than expending resources for everyday work on external counsel;

Whereas, the City Attorney's Office has been using CityLaw as a document management and time management software system since at least 2003, but the vendor has not consistently updated its product with new technology and the City Attorney's Office faces the risk of losing the extensive archives that are stored in CityLaw;

Whereas, the efficiency of the City Attorney's Office and the attorneys' interaction with City Council and City Staff will be significantly enhanced by replacing CityLaw with an updated and robust software system; and

RESOLVED, That City Council add 1.0 FTE for an Assistant City Attorney to the FY 2023 General Fund budget within the City Attorney's Office;

RESOLVED, That City Council appropriate \$165,252 to the FY 2023 General Fund budget within the City Attorney's Office for the additional 1.0 FTE with the source of funding as the recurring General Fund surplus for FY 2023;

RESOLVED, That City Council appropriate \$20,000 to the FY 2023 General Fund budget within the City Attorney's Office for one-time implementation costs for the replacement of the CityLaw software, with the source of funding as a one-time use of General Fund fund balance;

RESOLVED, That City Council appropriate \$48,000 to the FY 2023 General Fund budget within the City Attorney's Office for the annual software maintenance costs for the replacement of CityLaw with the source of funding as the recurring General Fund surplus for FY 2023; and

RESOLVED, That a total of 802 full-time equivalent positions be adopted in the FY 2023 budget.

Sponsors: Taylor, Eyer, Grand, Griswold and Radina

Approved on a Voice Vote with Councilmember Hayner voting in opposition.
