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CITY OF SALEM



Staff Report

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Steve Powers, City Manager

FROM: Robert Barron, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT:

A transfer of appropriation authority to enhance Information Technology

Ward(s): All Wards

Councilor(s): All Councilors

Neighborhood(s): All Neighborhoods

Result Area(s): Good Governance; Safe, Reliable and Efficient Infrastructure.

ISSUE:

Shall the City Council adopt Resolution 2020-2 transferring \$63,160 of appropriation authority from the General Fund, Finance, personal services to General Fund, Information Technology, personal services to enhance Information Technology network security?

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution 2020-2 transferring \$63,160 of appropriation authority from the General Fund, Finance, personal services to General Fund, Information Technology, personal services to enhance Information Technology network security.

SUMMARY:

The General Fund budget is adopted at the department level. To reallocate position and budget authority from Finance to Information Technology, a transfer of appropriation is necessary.

The reallocation follows a review of the current organizational structure of Finance that identified efficiencies. The City's Chief Financial Officer recommends that a vacant position in Finance can be used to fund a network security need in Information Technology.

FACTS AND FINDINGS:

An appropriation for an additional position in Information Technology was not included in the FY 2020 adopted budget. For next FY 2021 there is an additional \$43,000 in cost to the General Fund to

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fund this position in the Information Technology department over what was budgeted for the Finance position. There is no negative impact to the General Fund in FY 2020.

BACKGROUND:

State law allows the City Council to approve transfers of appropriation within the limits established by the adopted budget to address unforeseen changes.

A Citywide effort using the Priority Based Budgeting framework is ongoing to find similar opportunities to repurpose and reallocate existing resources where needed. The City has a longstanding practice of aligning budget and position authority with the department or program area a position supports.

Attachments:

1. Resolution No. 2020-2