

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Office of Management and Budget

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Chad Tustison

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City Wide

SUBJECT: Budget Amendments to the FY 2016 General Fund Budget

SUMMARY:

Briefing and possible action on Budget Amendments to the FY 2016 General Fund Adopted Budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

City Council adopted a balanced budget on September 10, 2015 for the City's fiscal year that began October 1, 2015. A list of City Council requested amendments to the General Fund were provided on September 4, before the adoption of the FY 2016 Budget. The Mayor and City Council deferred the adoption of amendments to the General Fund with the anticipation that a collective bargaining agreement with the Police Union would be tentatively agreed on by early October and that funding for the amendments could potentially be needed for a tentative agreement.

The City began meeting with the police union to negotiate a new collective bargaining contract in January 2014. Significant progress was made during the month of September 2015; however on September 30, the Police Union notified the Mayor and City Council of their decision to cease contract negotiations. As a result of this, the Mayor has requested that the amendments to the FY 2016 General Fund Budget, deferred in September, move forward to the City Council for consideration and approval.

Consistent with previous discussions with the City Council, the funds included in the budget for wage increase for the police officers and firefighters along with the lump sum payment offered to the police officers has been allocated to pay for the legacy healthcare plan of uniform employees and their dependents.

ISSUE:

City Council will be presented with a list of potential budget amendments to the FY 2016 General Fund Adopted Budget. This list reflects input from the Mayor and City Council provided during the August and September work sessions, and input from residents at the budget open houses and budget public hearings. The amendments will increase appropriations in several city departments within the general fund. The specific list of budget amendments is included in Attachment I.

ALTERNATIVES:

This is an informational briefing only.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This briefing is for informational purposes. The FY 2016 General Fund Budget Amendments will be considered at the October 15 City Council "A" session.

RECOMMENDATION:

This briefing is for informational purposes. The FY 2016 General Fund Budget Amendments will be considered at the October 15 City Council "A" session.