

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: B 263-15

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: 9/8/2015

Re: Appropriating Funds from Transit's Retained Earning Account to Transit's Operating Account

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance

Supporting documentation includes: Chart of Fleet Maintenance Costs

Executive Summary

Appropriating \$413,448 from Transit's Retained Earnings account to the operating account to cover overages in personnel and fleet maintenance related costs for fiscal year 2015.

Discussion

The Transit division (COMO Connect) has been short staffed since October of 2014 as a result of the inability to hire and retain temporary drivers, mostly due to the limited number of hours available to temporary employees. As a result of this shortage, all full-time drivers have been assigned to mandatory overtime throughout the entire fiscal year which has caused overages in personnel costs. Drivers must cover multiple shifts to provide coverage from 6:00 am - 1:30 am, when Campus is in session, as well as during MU home football games.

Additionally, staff has seen steadily rising expenses in fleet maintenance related charges for the diesel fleet (see attached graph). By the end of July 2015, these expenses had already exceeded the highest full fiscal year expense since 2009. The aging fleet, coupled with unexpected maintenance costs in newer diesel vehicles, have resulted in overages in this category as well.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Appropriating \$413,448 from Retained Earnings Account No. 553-0000-351.01-00 to Transit's operating accounts.

Long-Term Impact: None

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

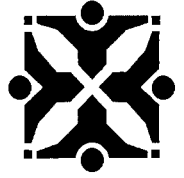
Vision Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Not Applicable

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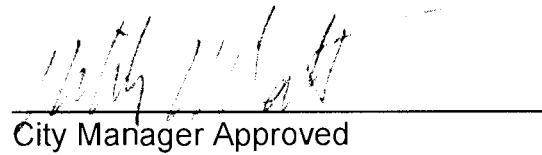
Suggested Council Action

Pass the ordinance authorizing an appropriation of funds from Transit division retained earnings account to operating accounts.

Legislative History

None


Department Approved


City Manager Approved

Introduced by _____

First Reading _____

Second Reading _____

Ordinance No. _____

Council Bill No. B 263-15

AN ORDINANCE

appropriating transit division funds to cover overages in personnel and fleet maintenance accounts; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The sum of \$413,448.00 is hereby appropriated from the Retained Earnings Account No. 553-0000-351.01-00 in the following amounts to the following accounts:

\$88,487.00	Permanent Positions	Account No. 553-6110-660.01-01
\$97,345.00	Parts-Fleet Maintenance	Account No. 553-6110-660.14-10
\$139,427.00	Vehicle Maintenance	Account No. 553-6110-660.48-10
\$88,189.00	Temporary Positions	Account No. 553-6110-660.01-05

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor

CERTIFICATION: I certify there are sufficient funds available in the Retained Earnings Account No. 553-0000-351.01-00 to cover the above appropriation.

Director of Finance



SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Chart of Fleet Maintenance Costs

