City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: B 270-15

Department Source: Finance

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff Council Meeting Date: 9/8/2015

Re: Ordinance to appropriate \$3 million from the General Fund, Fund Balance to the Firefighters' Retirement Fund and \$2 million from the General Fund, Fund Balance to the Police Retirement Fund

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance

Supporting documentation includes: None

Executive Summary

The passage of this ordinance will authorize the appropriation of \$5,000,000 from the General Fund, Fund Balance of which \$2,000,000 will be added to the Police Retirement Fund and \$3,000,000 will be added to the Firefighters' Retirement Fund.

Discussion

The passage of this ordinance will authorize the appropriation of \$5,000,000 from the General Fund, Fund Balance of which \$2,000,000 will be added to the Police Retirement Fund and \$3,000,000 will be added to the Firefighters' Retirement Fund. The unreserved and undesignated General Fund, Fund Balance is approximately \$31,000,000. This exceeds the city's Fund Balance policy requirement by approximately \$17,000,000. The city plans to appropriate approximately \$4,000,000 of General Fund, Fund Balance for Fiscal Year 2014 Savings projects. This leaves approximately \$10,000,000 remaining Fund Balance above the city's Fund Balance policy requirement.

This Ordinance would appropriate \$5,000,000 of the remaining \$10,000,000 excess Fund Balance for the Police and Firefighters' Retirement Funds. This Ordinance would appropriate \$3,000,000 to the Firefighters' Retirement Fund and \$2,000,000 to the Police Retirement Fund. This appropriation brings both the Police and Firefighters' Pension Plans up to 59% funded based on the latest actuarial report.

The \$5,000,000 contribution to the Pension Plans will reduce the annual contributions to the Police and Firefighters' Retirement Funds by approximately \$300,000 per year beginning with Fiscal Year 2017.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: This ordinance will decrease the General Fund, Fund Balance by \$5,000,000 and increase the Firefighters' Retirement Fund by \$3,000,000 and the Police Retirement Fund by \$2,000,000.

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Long-Term Impact: Beginning in Fiscal Year 2017, the contributions to the Police and Firefighters' Retirement Funds will decrease approximately \$300,000 per year.

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

<u>Vision Impact:</u> Governance and Decision Making <u>Strategic Plan Impact:</u> Financial Health <u>Comprehensive Plan Impact:</u> Not Applicable

Suggested Council Action

Passage of this Ordinance.

Legislative History

None.

Department Approved

City Manager Approved

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First Reading				Second Reading				
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AN ORDINANCE								
appropriating funds to the Firefighters' Retirement Fund and Police Retirement Fund; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.								
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PASSED this		day of	f			, 2015.		
ATTEST:								
City Clerk				Mayor	and Pres	iding O	fficer	
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City Counselor								
CERTIFICATION:								
SECTION 1. The sum of \$5,000,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund, Fund Balance Account No. 110-0000-341.01-00 in the following amounts to the following accounts: \$2,000,000.00 Police Retirement Fund Account No. 705-8021-480.05-03 \$3,000,000.00 Firefighters' Retirement Fund Account No. 705-8023-480.05-04 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								

Director of Finance