



MEMO FROM COUNCIL OFFICE:

To: Members of the Common Council

From: Stephen Lucas, Council Administrator/Attorney

Date: July 26, 2024

Re: Appropriation Ordinance 2024-02 - To Additionally Appropriate Food and Beverage Tax Funds, General Fund Dollars, and ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Dollars for 2024 and to Approve of a Revised 2024 Budget for the Monroe County Capital Improvement Board of Managers

Synopsis

This Ordinance provides permission to spend additional Food and Beverage, General and ARPA funds, in order to provide funds in 2024 for the Capital Improvement Board, for the Clerk of the City of Bloomington, and to ensure that the Housing and Neighborhood Development Department has room in its budget to reabsorb and spend ARPA funds that may be returned by United Way of Monroe County and Heading Home.

Relevant Materials

- Appropriation Ordinance 2024-02
- Exhibit A - Revised 2024 CIB Budget
- Staff Memo from Corporation Counsel Margie Rice

Summary

Appropriation Ordinance 2024-02 would appropriate additional money from three funds and would approve of a revised 2024 budget for the Monroe County Capital Improvement Board of Managers (CIB).

First, the ordinance would appropriate \$350,702 from the Food and Beverage (F&B) Tax Fund to be used toward a revised 2024 CIB budget. The ordinance would also approve of said CIB budget. This action would follow from the request recently made by the Council via Resolution 2024-15 for a recommendation from the Food and Beverage Tax Advisory Commission on the use of F&B funds toward the revised CIB budget. The Advisory Commission met on July 22, 2024 and unanimously recommended using F&B funds toward the revised CIB budget. More background information on the F&B tax and Convention Center project being pursued by the CIB can be found in the June 18, 2024 packet materials for Resolution 2024-15.

Second, this appropriation ordinance would appropriate \$107,508.45 from the General Fund to be used toward a recently-added position in the City Clerk's Office. Please recall that a new position was added to the Clerk's Office and authorized by Ordinance 2024-15. According to the staff memo included herein, this appropriation would fund the expenses associated with that position in 2024.

Finally, this ordinance would appropriate \$500,000 out of the ARPA Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (Fund #176). The staff memo describes the intent behind this appropriation.



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[Indiana Code 36-4-7-8](#) provides that the legislative body may, on the recommendation of the city executive, make further or additional appropriations by ordinance, as long as the result does not increase the City's tax levy that was set as part of the annual budgeting process. The additional appropriations requested by [Appropriation Ordinance 2024-02](#) should not result in such an increase to the City's tax levy.

[Indiana Code 6-1.1-17-3](#) requires a public hearing to be held before additional appropriations can be made, with a notice to taxpayers sent out at least ten (10) days before the public hearing. The public hearing for this appropriation ordinance is set for the Regular Session on August 7, 2024.

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