City of Colorado Springs





Legislation Text

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A resolution abandoning, partially abandoning and transferring \$2,000,000 in funds from various General Fund accounts/projects and Capital Improvement Fund projects to the Information Technology operating department for remediation

From:

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Summary:

In early 2014, the Information Technology (IT) operating department assessed its operations and determined that immediate remediation is required to provide a safe, efficient and effective environment for all its customers. The remediation entails work in the following areas: network redesign, BURA (backup, recovery and archive), virtual servers and storage, process and governance, implementation of Office 365, security, data center location, and telephony.

After careful consideration, and with two budgeted draws (for Parks watering and emergency road repairs) from the unrestricted fund balance, it was determined that an additional draw from the unrestricted fund balance is not preferred. Consequently, the Executive Branch identified a number of projects that likely will not be completed during 2014 due to scheduling issues, other resource opportunities or constraints, and redirection, which could be abandoned or partially abandoned to provide the required funding in 2014. Therefore, in accordance with Section 1.5.107 and 108 of the City Code, the Executive Branch recommends City Council approval of the attached resolution to abandon or partially abandon projects (listed on Exhibit A) and to transfer appropriation authority to the IT operating department in order to fund the required remediation.

Previous Council Action:

On December 18, 2013, City Council approved the original 2014 budget per Ordinance No. 13-77. The original General Fund expenditure appropriation was \$249,291,056. On April 22, 2014, City Council approved a supplemental appropriation from unrestricted fund balance in the amount of \$2,000,000 for emergency road repairs per Ordinance No. 14-24.

Background:

A 2012 study revealed IT system weaknesses. During 2013, the Chief Information Officer launched the IT Strategic Plan. Also during 2013, key management positions were filled including Enterprise Architect and Security Manager.

Financial Implications:

With the abandonment or partial abandonment of projects, the remediation can be achieved within

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budget without impacting the projected end-of-year unrestricted fund balance.

Board/Commission Recommendation:

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Stakeholder Process:

N/A

Alternatives:

N/A

Proposed Motion:

Move approval of the attached resolution to abandon or partially abandon projects (listed on Exhibit A) and to transfer appropriation authority to the IT operating department in order to fund the required remediation.

N/A