

ORDINANCE NO. 20-21

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Richland amending the 2021 Budget to provide for additional appropriations in the City's General Fund, Equipment Replacement Fund, Community Development Block Grant Fund, Solid Waste Fund, Streets Capital Fund and Capital Improvements Fund, and declaring that a public emergency exists in the City's General Fund, Capital Improvements Fund, Community Development Block Grant Fund, and Solid Waste Fund.

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2020, Richland City Council approved Ordinance No. 46-20 approving the 2021 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the City's current street striping equipment is reaching its end of life; and

WHEREAS, the adopted Fleet Replacement Budget included funding to replace the City's pavement striping equipment on the existing truck chassis; and

WHEREAS, a staff survey of vendors revealed this is not a viable approach to this equipment need; and

WHEREAS, additional funding of \$200,000 is needed to replace both the truck chassis and the striping equipment; and

WHEREAS, sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the General Fund to support the requested budget adjustment in the Fleet Replacement Fund; and

WHEREAS, due to error, no funds were appropriated in the 2021 Budget for Solid Waste Disposal expert services. This budget line is used for groundwater monitoring, sampling and reporting, lab services and bird management, all required to meet the City's solid waste permit provisions; and

WHEREAS, sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the Solid Waste Fund to support the requested budget adjustment of \$160,000; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan identifies \$120,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for construction of the Citywide Sidewalk Repair and ADA Accessibility Program. The actual CDBG award was \$199,000, necessitating adjustment to the budget of \$79,000; and

WHEREAS, the City's ADA Accessibility Program includes improvements to the intersection of Long Street and Stevens Drive; and

WHEREAS, the current intersection geometry at Long Street and Stevens Drive creates undesirable traffic behavior and an undesirable pedestrian crossing route which can both be mitigated by changing the intersection geometry to current standards; and

WHEREAS, the awarded 2021 CDBG funds must be supplemented to accomplish the additional improvements needed at the intersection of Long Street and Stevens Drive; and

WHEREAS, sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the Capital Improvement Fund to support the requested budget increase of \$120,000 needed to improve the intersection of Long Street and Stevens Drive; and

WHEREAS, based on WSDOT notification of grant funding availability, the City recently awarded construction contracts for several WSDOT-funded street safety improvement projects, including the Traffic Signal Systemic Safety Upgrades, the McMurray Rapid Flash Beacon Project, and the Van Giesen/Thayer Intersection Improvements; and

WHEREAS, now that funding agreements to secure the additional funds have been executed, these funds, in the amount of \$421,562, need to be reflected in the City's 2021 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the City currently manages eight (8) street latecomer agreements with land developers; and

WHEREAS, the street latecomer agreements use a percentage of incoming traffic impact fee revenue, generated by development activity subject to Chapter 12.03 RMC, to reimburse developers for previously completed construction of collector street improvements; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 92-21, City Council approved a street latecomer agreement with Nor Am Investment, LLC for construction of Bella Coola Lane; and

WHEREAS, the reimbursement required by the latecomer agreement with Nor Am Investment, LLC exceeds existing budget authority for the reimbursement program; and

WHEREAS, Nor Am Investment, LLC's request for a latecomer agreement was unknown to the City during 2021 Budget preparation, and the reimbursement amount of \$1,100,000 is therefore not accounted for in the 2021 Budget; and

WHEREAS, a sufficient balance of collected traffic impact fees is available to support the required reimbursement amount; and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2021, a public hearing was held pursuant to RCW 35.33.091 regarding the increase in appropriations from beginning fund balance in the

General Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, Community Development Block Grant Fund, and Solid Waste Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Richland as follows:

Section 1. Facts Constituting Emergency. The expenses contained within this Ordinance were not anticipated when the 2021 Budget was approved.

Section 2. Declaration of Public Emergency. Due to circumstances described above, the City Council declares that a public emergency exists in the General Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, Community Development Block Grant Fund, and Solid Waste Fund.

Section 3. Amendment of the 2021 Budget. The 2021 Budget is hereby amended to provide additional appropriations in the General Fund, Equipment Replacement Fund, Solid Waste Fund, Streets Capital Fund and Capital Improvement Fund from unappropriated fund balance as follows:

**General Fund**

Current Appropriation: \$69,410,971  
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 200,000  
Amended Appropriation: \$69,610,971

**Equipment Replacement Fund**

Current Appropriation: \$ 6,431,599  
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 200,000  
Amended Appropriation: \$ 6,631,599

**Community Development Block Grant Fund**

Current Appropriation: \$ 785,494  
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 79,000  
Amended Appropriation: \$ 864,494

**Solid Waste Fund**

Current Appropriation: \$17,296,956  
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 160,000  
Amended Appropriation: \$17,456,956

**Streets Capital Fund**

Current Appropriation: \$28,026,850  
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 1,720,562  
Amended Appropriation: \$29,747,412

**Capital Improvement Fund**

Current Appropriation: \$ 5,255,337

Increase in Appropriation: \$ 120,000

Amended Appropriation: \$ 5,375,337

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect the day following its publication in the official newspaper of the City of Richland.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Richland, Washington, at a regular meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.

  
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Ryan Lukson, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
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Heather Kintzley, City Attorney

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