## ORDINANCE NO. 2023-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE 2023 BUDGET TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND AND FIRE STATION CONSTRUCTION FUND AND DECLARING THAT A PUBLIC EMERGENCY EXISTS IN THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND.

**WHEREAS**, on November 15, 2022, Richland City Council approved Ordinance No. 2022-39 approving the 2023 Budget; and

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2023, City Council considered a staff presentation on escalated construction costs related to construction of Fire Station No. 76; and

**WHEREAS**, modifications to the construction project have been made to partially offset cost increases; and

WHEREAS, no funds were appropriated in the General Fund and the Fire Station Construction Fund to address the increased construction costs; and

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

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held pursuant to RCW 35.33.091 on March 21, 2023, regarding the increase in appropriations from beginning fund balance in the General Fund.

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

<u>Section 1</u>. Facts Constituting Emergency. The expenses contained within this Ordinance were not anticipated when the 2023 Budget was approved.

<u>Section 2</u>. Declaration of Public Emergency. Due to circumstances described above, the City Council declares that a public emergency exists in the General Fund.

<u>Section 3</u>. Amendment of the 2023 Budget. The 2023 Budget is hereby amended to provide additional appropriations in the General Fund from unappropriated fund balance and in the Fire Station Construction Fund from transfers out of the General Fund as follows:

## **General Fund**

Current Appropriation: \$ 72,275,487 Increase in Appropriation: \$ 742,000 Amended Appropriation: \$ 73,017,487

## Fire Station Construction Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 0 Increase in Appropriation: \$ 742,000 Amended Appropriation: \$ 742,000

<u>Section 4</u>. 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 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

Attest:

Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

First Reading: March 21, 2023 Second Reading: April 4, 2023 Date Published: April 9, 2023 Approved as to Form:

Heather Kintzley, City Attorney