



Chatham County, NC

Legislation Text

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Vote on a request to approve Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Amendments

Action Requested: Vote on a request to approve budget amendments as proposed by staff

Introduction & Background: During the fiscal year, the budget must be amended as changing conditions warrant. The fiscal year 2020-2021 budget ordinance authorizes the County Manager to transfer funds within a department without limitation. The Manager may also transfer amounts of up to \$5,000 between departments of the same fund and transfer amounts up to \$50,000 from contingency with a memorandum report of such transfers to the Board. The Board must approve all other transfers.

Discussion & Analysis: The attached proposed amendments must be approved by the Board of Commissioners for fiscal year 2021.

The Sheriff's department budget is being increased by \$36,183 to reflect additional youth services donations and insurance reimbursement for three totaled vehicles.

The Family Visitation Services budget is being increased by \$14,000 cover a safe havens state grant.

The Elections budget is being increased by \$63,778 to cover Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security funds.

The Social Services budget is being increased by \$153,289 to cover an additional Low Income Home Energy Assistance - pandemic funding authorization and Cares Act funding.

The General Services department budget is being increased by \$300,000 to cover an insurance reimbursement for the cyber incident and increased by \$188,706 with a transfer from Covid fund to cover additional Cares Act expenditures.

The Finance department's budget is being increased by \$25,000 with a transfer from contingency to cover unanticipated bank fees following a bank merger.

The Tax department's budget is being increased by \$172,000 with a transfer from contingency to cover additional revaluation appraisal costs.

The Non Profit department's budget is being increased by \$5,750, with a transfer from contingency to cover additional Chatham Morgue project costs.

The 911 Emergency Telephone System Fund budget is being increased by \$127,630 with an appropriation to fund balance to cover the replacement of a 911 recorder.

The Housing Trust Fund budget is being increased by \$7,750 with an appropriation to fund balance to cover emergency housing and shelter requests.

The Revaluation Fund budget is being increased by \$172,000 with a transfer from General Fund to cover additional revaluation appraisal contract costs.

The Human Resource budget is being increased by \$4,000, the County Attorney's budget is being increased by \$1,400, the Manager's Office budget is being increased by \$94,000, the Elections budget is being increased by \$95,000, the Facilities budget is being increased by \$14,000, Emergency Management's budget is being increased by \$12,000, Emergency Communications' budget is being increased by \$30,000, the CVB's budget is being increased by \$3,200, Sedimentation & Erosion Control's budget is being increased by \$4,500, and the Council on Aging department's budget is being increased by \$12,200 - all with a transfer from the Social Services budget and Sheriff's department budget totaling \$270,300.

Budgetary Impact: The proposed amendments increase the General Fund by \$755,956. The proposed amendments increase Emergency Telephone System Fund by \$127,630 with an appropriation to fund balance. The proposed amendments increase the Housing Trust Fund by \$7,750 with an appropriation to fund balance. The proposed amendments increase the Revaluation Fund by \$172,000 with a transfer from the General Fund. Transfers from Contingency total \$202,750. Transfers between departments total \$270,300

Recommendation: Motion to approve budget amendments as proposed by staff.