



City of Blaine Anoka County, Minnesota

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Legislation Text

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CONSENT AGENDA - *Joe Huss, Finance Director*

AUTHORIZE 2017 BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHT FUNDS

Annually, the City Council appropriates funds in the General Fund for the purchase and installation of streetlights. The process is typically initiated by a resident requesting that a streetlight be installed at a certain location. For the last two years, the Council has appropriated \$5,000 for this purpose. One streetlight has been installed thus far in 2017 at a cost of \$3,700, leaving \$1,300 for additional streetlights in 2017. Recently, a request was made for a streetlight to be installed at 129th Avenue and East Highway 65 Service Road. The cost for this project is \$8,200. Council has expressed a desire to fund the project and complete this installation in 2017. To accomplish this, a budget amendment is required.

Because Council has also expressed an intent to increase the 2018 budget for streetlight installations by \$10,000 (to \$15,000) staff is recommending a budget amendment of \$10,000 for 2017.

Funding for the budget amendment would be from the General Fund contingency account. The following resolution would provide staff the authorization to use contingency funds.

By motion, approve the following resolution authorizing a budget amendment for additional street light funds for \$10,000.

WHEREAS, Sound budgeting principles promote appropriating necessary funds required to accomplish approved objectives; and

WHEREAS, Sound budgeting principles also promote providing for contingencies and unforeseen emergencies so as to not prevent objectives from being met; and

WHEREAS, Appropriations were made in 2017 sufficient for anticipated street lighting needs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has expressed their desire to fund additional street light installations; and

WHEREAS, sufficient contingency funds are held in reserve to accommodate necessary and expedient budget amendments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Blaine amends the 2017 General Fund Budget and authorizes the use of contingency reserves to fund additional street lighting in the following account:

Public Services Department, Streets Maintenance Division, Street Light Maintenance, Other Contractual Services 101.50.530.533.5308-4399, in the amount of \$10,000.

PASSED by the City Council this 13th day of July 2017.