
SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 23, 2003

SUBJECT: Fiscal Years 2001-2002, 2002-2003 Biennial Budget
Amendment #13

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Document Type	Budget-Related Facts	Policy-Related Facts	Miscellaneous Facts
Ordinance	The proposed amendment includes a federal grant reimbursement to the General Fund for Police Officer overtime. There is not a request for General Fund balance. All other proposed amendments relate to the CIP, Internal Service and Miscellaneous Grants Funds.	The requested amendment has issues related to Grants, Public Safety, CIP and reimbursement to the City.	The ordinance is presented to amend the second year of the biennial budget.

The briefing and discussion of the thirteenth budget amendment of fiscal years 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 is scheduled for May 27, 2003. At a future Council Meeting the Council may wish to set a date for a public hearing.

In an effort to make the review of the budget openings more expedient, Council staff has attempted to categorize budget opening items as follows where possible:

- “Housekeeping” -- those items that are strictly accounting actions and do not have policy implications. These include transfers internal to the City.
- “Donation” -- those items that are donations that require Council appropriation to be used, are consistent with previous Council discussions, or do not have policy implications.
- “Grant providing additional staff resources” – those grants that provide additional staff positions and require a City match. These generally have policy implications; because they may add a new service or create an expectation that the City will fund the position after the grant has expired.
- “Grant requiring existing staff focus” -- those grants that will require the City’s existing staff to complete a specific project. (Some of these could have policy implications, since employees involved with these projects have less time to focus on other projects within the scope of their work.)

MATTERS AT ISSUE

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Issue #1: I-15 Related Gateway Street Repair (\$125,000 – CIP Fund) (“Housekeeping”)

The City has negotiated a punch list settlement agreement with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) in the amount of \$125,000. The City has already adopted the resolution and the Mayor has signed the agreement with UDOT. The City has now received the money and needs to create a CIP cost center and appropriation so that the money can be expended.

Issue #2: Workers’ Compensation Self-Insurers Tax Increase (\$16,500 – Ins. & Risk Mgmt. / Workers’ Com Trust Fund) (“Housekeeping”)

The City is required to pay a tax that is equivalent to a premium tax that is assessed to entities that purchase workers’ compensation insurance. There was a \$147,000 increase in the assessed amount this year. The Administration is requesting that \$16,500 be transferred from the Insurance and Risk Management Fund and Workers’ Compensation Trust Fund to a Workers’ Compensation Trust cost center so that the increased assessment may be paid.

Issue #3: Health Insurance Adjustment (\$2,669,700 – Insurance Internal Service Fund) (“Housekeeping”)

The Administration is requesting that the Council increase the revenue and expense budget for the health insurance to reflect increased health insurance costs. Funding for the health insurance payments is from employee premiums. This is a self funded program.

Issue #4: Reimbursement of Police Service Costs (\$232,000 – General Fund) (“Housekeeping”)

The Salt Lake City Police Department has received federal funds for the reimbursement of overtime expenses associated with several agency task forces such as the Violent Gang task Force, the metro Gang Task Force, and the Metro narcotics Task Force. The reimbursement funds are received into the General Fund and the overtime expenses are allocated to the Police Department. The Administration is requesting the appropriation of this revenue and allocation to police overtime.

Issue #5: Debt Service Bond Refunding (\$50,866,108 – Library Fund) (“Housekeeping”)

The Administration is requesting that the Council increase the revenue and expense budget of the debt service account and Library construction fund to account for the refunding of debt service bonds. The transmittal from the Administration details the issuance debt and the refunding or retiring of previous debt. The debt issuance and refunding relates to the construction of the new City Library building.

Issue #6: E911 Fund Transfer (\$200,000 – E911 Fund) (“Housekeeping”)

The Administration is requesting that the expense budget be increased to allow for the transfer of revenue from the E911 Fund. The Council approved the transfer of revenue for dispatch services but the expense budget increase was inadvertently missed. This request will allow the funds to be expensed.

Issue #7: FBI Asset Forfeiture, Weed and Seed – Safe Street Program (\$50,000 – Misc. Grant Fund) (“Grant requiring existing staff focus”)

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The Salt Lake City Police Department applied for and received a grant from the FBI for use in the Weed and Seed program. The grant will be used for Police Officer overtime in providing bike patrol enforcement and Narcotic and Gang Task Force services with the targeted weed and seed areas.

This grant will pay for overtime expenses of current Police Department employees.

Issue #8 Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA Grant (\$83,172 – Misc. Grant Fund) (“Grant requiring existing staff focus”)

The Salt Lake City Police Department applied for and received a grant from the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy. The grant funds are to be used for the continued funding of 2 Police Officers who are assigned to Metro Narcotics. The grant requires a local match that is currently budgeted within the Police Department’s General Fund budget.

This grant does not have a new resolution for the Council to sign. A resolution was previously adopted that, authorizes the Mayor to accept this grant and sign any additional contracts or awards related to the grant. The only Council action necessary for the facilitation of the grant is the adoption of the budget appropriation.

No additional FTE’s are associated with this grant. Grant funding is paying for current police officers who are assigned to the Metro Narcotic program in the Police Department.

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