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City Council

Approval of Appropriation Ordinance in the Amount of \$200,000 from the New City Hall Project Fund for Police Annex Demolition and Justice Center Remodel

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Title

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Recommended Action

Finance Committee Recommendation:

At the April 9, 2014 Finance Committee, the Committee discussed and agreed to recommend to the full Council the appropriation of \$200,000 to fund Justice Center improvements and Police Annex demolition.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to adopt on second reading an appropriation ordinance in the amount of \$200,000 from the New City Hall Project Fund for Police Annex Demolition and Justice Center Remodel.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve a \$200,000 appropriation ordinance to transfer funds from the New City Hall project for Police Annex Demolition and Justice Center Remodel.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None. Consent Item.

Background and Analysis:

The background and analysis have not changed since the ordinance came to the City Council for first reading on May 6.

At the April 9, 2014 Finance Committee, the Committee discussed and agreed to recommend to the

full Council the appropriation of \$200,000 to fund Justice Center improvements and Police Annex demolition.

The Police Annex building is in extreme disrepair with water intrusion and mold in some areas of the building. The building is in need of a new roof and many other repairs and upgrades to keep it in a usable condition. However, the only need in terms of use for this building is the locker rooms and showers for corrections officers, a very small portion of the building. Rather than spend any more money on repairs and upgrades to the building, staff is recommending relocating the showers and lockers and demolishing the building.

At the March 12, 2014 Finance Committee meeting, staff provided the committee with an update on the demolition of the Police Annex building. At that time, staff indicated that the original plan was to provide showers and lockers in the former Court Services building, allowing staff to move forward with the demolition of the Police Annex building. However, during the design process, small amounts of asbestos were discovered in the former Court Services building, making improvements to that building more costly than originally planned. Staff indicated that they were looking at other options and would return to Finance Committee if an adequate alternative were found.

Staff has determined that there is adequate space within the area of the Justice Center occupied by Probation Services to provide the lockers and a shower needed by the jail staff. Staff recommends moving forward with providing the showers and lockers in this space, which would allow the Police Annex building to be demolished. The total project cost is \$200,000, which could be funded by funds set aside in the New City Hall project fund for needed improvements at the Justice Center anticipated as a result of the consolidation of buildings. Staff recommends this funding approach.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

N/A

Options:

1. Approve the appropriation of \$200,000 from the New City Hall project fund to fund the relocation of showers and lockers for jail staff and the demolition of the Police Annex building.
2. Do not recommend the appropriation and provide guidance to staff on next steps.

Financial Impact:

Funding for this project will be appropriated from the remaining fund balance of the New City Hall project fund. These costs were anticipated and set aside within the City Hall Project budget for this purpose.