ORDINANCE NO. 2023-13

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

- **WHEREAS**, on November 15, 2022, Richland City Council passed Ordinance No. 2022-39, approving the 2023 Budget; and
- **WHEREAS**, this Ordinance No. 2023-13 will accomplish several discrete budget adjustments in the 2023 Budget necessary for the effective delivery of services to the public; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Richland Public Library was awarded three (3) grants for a total of \$47,470, which will enhance the services provided; and
- **WHEREAS**, Richland Fire & Emergency Services was awarded a CWPP grant for up to \$6,000 to provide improved wildland fire prevention; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Richland Police Department was awarded a grant from the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) in the amount of \$27,000 to help offset unfunded training requirements as a result of the *Blake* decision; and
- **WHEREAS**, funds were not appropriated to spend these grant amounts as they were not known when the 2023 Budget was adopted; and
- **WHEREAS**, the 2023 award for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding was greater than what was included in the 2023 Budget, and additional appropriations are required to spend the additional grant funds in the amount of \$45,905; and
- WHEREAS, funds appropriated in the Public Safety Sales Tax (PSST) Fund for Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) programs are better administrated in the General Fund, necessitating a transfer of \$37,000 of expenditures and \$37,000 of grant revenues from the PSST Fund to the General Fund; and
- **WHEREAS**, a facility currently leased by the City for vehicle and equipment storage is available for purchase, and funding in the amount of \$339,900 needed for purchase and related improvements was not known when the 2023 Budget was adopted; and
- WHEREAS, the City budgeted for a city website update in the 2023 Budget, but an expanded scope was identified through the strategic planning process that now requires city-wide content review and consulting services in the amount of an additional \$130,000; and

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WHEREAS, no funds were appropriated in the General Fund, General Government Construction Fund or Community Development Block Grant Fund for the purposes identified above; and

WHEREAS, sufficient unappropriated funds or additional revenues are available in the General Fund, General Government Construction Fund, and Community Development Block Grant Fund to support the required budget adjustments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35.33.091, a duly noticed public hearing was held on June 6, 2023 regarding the increase in appropriations from beginning fund balance in the above-referenced funds.

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, General Government Construction Fund, and Community Development Block Grant Fund from unappropriated fund balance and additional revenues as follows:

General Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 79,344,486 Increase in Appropriation: \$ 587,370 Amended Appropriation: \$ 79,931,856

Public Safety Sales Tax Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 2,682,674 Decrease in Appropriation: \$ (37,000) Amended Appropriation: \$ 2,645,674

General Government Construction Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 1,192,836
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 40,000
Amended Appropriation: \$ 1,232,836

Community Development Block Grant Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 970,700 Increase in Appropriation: \$ 45,905 Amended Appropriation: \$ 1,016,605

<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 20th day of June, 2023.

Terry Christensen, Mayor

Attest:

Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

First Reading: June 6, 2023 Second Reading: June 20, 2023 Date Published: June 25, 2023 Approved as to Form:

Heather Kintzley, City Attorney