

ORDINANCE NO. 2375

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF THE FY2016 FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CITY TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

WHEREAS, during the FY2016 budget process, the Fire Department's budgeted amount for Vehicles' account 24035-534308 was reduced by \$20,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has the need to maintain its fleet by performing regular maintenance and repairs; and,

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has reviewed the expense records from the last five years; and,

WHEREAS, the average annual expense for vehicle repairs and maintenance has been \$150,493.86; and,

WHEREAS, to keep vehicles in service, the Fire Department is projecting a shortfall of funds in the Vehicles' account 24035-534308 for the remainder of FY2016;

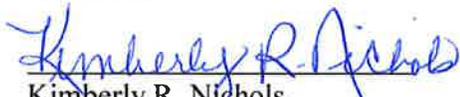
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND that the City's Fiscal Year 2016 budget be and is hereby amended as follows:

- 1) Increase the General Fund Revenue account by \$51,000.00
- 2) Increase the Fire Department's Expense - Vehicles account (24035-534308) by \$51,000.00

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE WAS INTRODUCED AND READ AT A MEETING OF THE Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 22 day of February, 2016, and thereafter, a statement of substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, was finally passed by the Council on the 14 day of March, 2016.

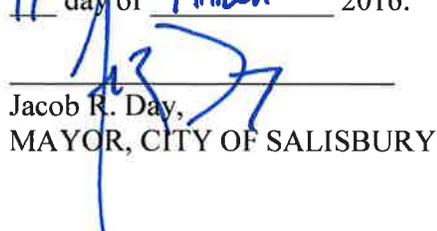
ATTEST:


Kimberly R. Nichols,
CITY CLERK


John R. Heath,
PRESIDENT, CITY COUNCIL

APPROVED BY ME THIS

17th day of March 2016.


Jacob R. Day,
MAYOR, CITY OF SALISBURY



*From the Office
of the
Fire Chief*

To: Tom Stevenson, City Administrator

Date: 04 February 2016

 **From:** Richard A. Hoppes, Chief of the Department

Subject: Budget Amendment Item - Vehicles

The Salisbury Fire Department respectfully requests approval of a budget amendment for \$51,000.00 to the FY2016 Fire Department budget, Vehicles' account 24035-534308 to cover the current and expected costs for repairs to FD apparatus for the remainder of FY2016.

The Salisbury Fire Department strives to keep a well maintained and in-service fleet. An evaluation of the vehicle repairs account expenditures over the last five (5) years indicates that the average expense to repair our fleet has been \$150,493.86. Over this same period of time the department requests were to fund this account in the amount of \$120,000.00 based on trying to hold level funding year after year. During the FY2016 Budget process, the Vehicles' account 24035-534308 was reduced by \$20,000.00 from the requested amount. Now that the Department is half way through FY2016 and there is a current and projected short fall in the 24035-534308 – Vehicle account of \$51,000.00.

This request is to more adequately fund this account based on historical use and to finish the FY with a well maintained and repaired fleet. Without these funds the department will be forced to defer repairs and place some units out of service (dependent on the severity of the repair need). These funds will replenish the Fire Department's vehicles repair account 24035-534308 and bring this account back in line with the submitted FY2016 budget needs.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration on this request. I look forward to working with you to complete this most important business and ask that you contact me if you have need for further information a 410-548-3120 X 103 or at rhoppes@ci.salisbury.md.us . Unless you or the Mayor have additional questions, please advance the cover memorandum and resolution of support to the City Council for approval.

Attachment: Budget Amendment Ordinance - Vehicles Account - FY16

cc: File

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