City of Farmington 430 Third Street Farmington, MN 55024

# **Mission Statement**

Through teamwork and cooperation, the City of Farmington provides quality services that preserve our proud past and foster a promising future.

# AGENDA CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

April 3, 2017 6:00 PM Farmington City Hall

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. APPROVE AGENDA
- 3. DISCUSSION ITEMS
  - (a) 2016 Interfund Transfers Review and Expenditures Discussion
- 4. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE
- 5. ADJOURN



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**TO:** Mayor, Councilmembers and City Administrator

**FROM:** Robin Hanson, Finance Director

**SUBJECT:** 2016 Interfund Transfers Review and Expenditures Discussion

**DATE:** April 3, 2017

# **INTRODUCTION**

Transfers of money between funds occur for various reasons. The following is not an exhaustive list, but will provide you with some examples.

- Sometimes transfers are made as part of a long-term funding strategy often in conjunction with a capital improvement plan (CIP). Some specific city examples would be transfers made to the sealcoating, building maintenance, trail maintenance, and ice arena capital accounts.
- Money may be infused from one fund into another fund to cover day-to-day operations such as the transfer made from the General Fund to the EDA.
- The city may want to save money over several years for a larger purchase (such as the fire engine planned for 2019), or recurring replacement purchases (for example, items replaced on rotation schedules, such as police and fire equipment), or items for which the delivery time is uncertain, such as, ammunition and guns (may order one year, but delivery is not available until the following year—a different budget year).
- Transfers are made when the city invests its liquor stores community improvement funds.
- Administrative transfers provide for the reimbursement of human resource and administrative costs
  incurred in one fund for the benefit of another fund. Another type of administrative transfer would be
  more house-keeping in nature, for example completing closing entries for accounts that are no longer
  needed.
- Finally, no matter how comprehensive and well thought out the city's budget or current year plan may be new, unanticipated opportunities often present themselves. Some recent examples would be the Rambling River bank restoration project and potential downtown plaza.

During year-end staff reconciles the actual transfers which were made to the budgeted amounts. The differences are identified and reviewed with you.

Reviewing this information annually also provides an excellent opportunity for you to see the positive impacts you have had with these transfers.

# **DISCUSSION**

The attached comprehensive schedule details the interfund transfers that occurred during 2016. It may be difficult to review this report on your iPad. Larger copies of this information will be available for your review during your April 3, 2017 workshop.

The transfers are grouped into five color-coded categories.

• Gray – Amounts highlighted in gray represent amounts that were included in the 2016 budget and transferred accordingly.

- Brown These represent amounts that were included in the 2016 budget, but not listed as transfers. For accounting purposes these amounts are included as transfers. One example would be the insurance deductible replenishment. One of these amounts was included in the General Fund. During the year this money was transferred from the respective funds to the Property and Liability Insurance Fund where the insurance claims are actually paid.
- Peach Included in the peach cells are amounts which were listed as transfers for budget purposes.
   These amounts were for interfund loans. For accounting purposes these amounts are not recorded as transfers, rather they are recorded as interfund receivables and payables. The city's budgeting process is for revenues and expenditures/expenses. So, we include these items as transfers in the budgeting process so it is clear to council we envision these types of transactions and they are part of the budgeted activities.
- Purple These transfers occurred during the year but were not included in the 2016 budget. Many of
  these items were discussed with the city council during the year. One example would be dedicated
  funding for township road maintenance or transfers you approved as part of the bond refundings.
   Another reason for these transfers may be more administrative. For example, the city paid off its
  share of the 1995 Public Facilities Authority bonds. The remaining funds totaling \$1,647 were
  transferred into the General Fund so that the related bond fund could be closed.
- Blue These are proposed transfers. They have not yet been made and will be reviewed and discussed with you during your workshop.

There are explanations for all of the amounts highlighted in purple and blue in your packet. The row (numbers) and column (letters) references have been included in the spreadsheet. This will enable you to cross-reference the cell on the worksheet with the corresponding comment on the following pages.

Similar to the update staff shared last October, the 2016 General Fund budget continued to fare well. There were several revenue line items (ex. new construction permit revenue) that exceeded budget and several expenditure areas (ex. snow removal) that were under budget. A more in depth review of the 2016 financial statements will be provided to you during your April 17, 2017 city council meeting.

The draft 2016 revenues over expenditures presently total approximately \$900,000. After ensuring the General Fund fund balance meets the city's minimum 40% of the following year's expenditures and setting aside funds to provide for a possible increase in 2018 expenditures, staff would like to propose the following additional transfers. These transfers take into consideration city council's desire to provide tax levy relief, fund commitments the city council has made for items that were not included in the 2017 budget and address items which are underfunded.

The proposed transfers are highlighted in blue on the attached worksheet. Moving from left to right for items listed on row eight of the worksheet the proposed transfers are as follows:

- To provide tax levy relief in 2018 staff is recommending the use of \$150,000 as a one-time reduction to the 2018 debt levy.
- Funding would be provided in the amount of \$25,000 for a consultant to complete the transportation analysis for the city's comprehensive plan.
- A transfer of \$30,000 into the Maintenance Fund-Trail Maintenance would pay for the city's share of the Rambling River restoration project which was discussed during your March workshop.
- An allocation of \$27,500 to the Maintenance Fund for building maintenance, an additional \$27,500 for the city's Emerald Ash Borer response, and \$7,500 for the downtown plaza concept development.
- Finally, the city has a compensated absences liability as of December 31, 2016 of \$950,000. This represents the amount due to city staff for unused vacation, sick leave and personal time off (PTO). When a staff person leaves city employment the city pays the unused balance as severance pay. To-date the city has set-aside \$50,000 for compensated absences leaving an unfunded balance of \$900,000. Staff is recommending \$300,000 be added to the initial \$50,000 which was set-aside for compensated absences. This would leave a remaining unfunded liability of \$600,000.

# **BUDGET IMPACT**

Budget variances have been explained above.

# **ACTION REQUESTED**

- Review the material presented, ask questions and provide direction to staff.
- You will be asked to approve the comprehensive list of transfers during your regular April 3, 2017 city council meeting.
- If you desire to make any changes to the transfers recommended due to the positive year end 2016 budget results these can be discussed and incorporated into recommendations you will consider at the city council meeting.

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

Type Description

Backup Material 2016 Operating Transfers for Council 3-29-2017

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#### Cell: Z6

Comment: Robin Hanson:

Employee insurance premium transfer

#### Cell: AA6

#### Comment: Robin Hanson:

Insurance deductible transfer

#### Cell: K7

#### Comment: Robin Hanson:

The 2017 budget anticipated the residual fire truck levy be transferred to the 2010A bond funds in 2016 so the debt levy for 2017 could be lowered. This was a one-time reduction.

#### Cell: R

Comment: Robin Hanson:

In the fall of 2016 council approved set-aside for police equipment

#### Cell: V

#### Comment: Robin Hanson:

In the fall of 2016 council approved set-aside for building maintenance

### Cell: X7

Comment: Robin Hanson:

In the fall of 2016 council approved set-aside for Emerald Ash Borer efforts

## Cell: Y7

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

In the fall of 2016 council approved set-aside for downtown redevelopment efforts

# Cell: Z7

#### Comment: Robin Hanson:

In the fall of 2016 council approved set-aside for compensated absences

#### Cell: K8

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Proposed one time use of 2016 fund balance for 2010A debt levy.

#### Cell: T8

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Proposed one time use of 2016 fund balance to pay for transportation consultant for the comp plan.

### Cell: U8

## Comment: Robin Hanson:

Proposed one time use of 2016 fund balance the Rambling River bank restoration project.

## Cell: V8

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Proposed one time use of 2016 fund balance to provide additional building maintenance funds.

# Cell: X8

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Proposed one time use of 2016 fund balance to provide additional funds for the Emerald Ash Borer project.

# Cell: Y8

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Proposed one time use of 2016 fund balance to pay for downtown plaza development consultant.

# Cell: Z8

### Comment: Robin Hanson:

Proposed one time transfer of 2016 fund balance to the Employee Expense Fund to halp address the city's unfunded compensated absences liability.

# Cell: Q10

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer from Park Improvement Fund to Arena Capital Projects Fund for the purchase of the new Zamboni

# Cell: Q11

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer from 2016 Ice Arena Fund operations to Ice Arena Capital Fund for future building needs.

# Cell: 112

**Comment:** Robin Hanson: Amount of 2016A refunding bond proceeds transferred to 2008AB bonds for 2-1-17 early redemption.

### Cell: J12

### Comment: Robin Hanson:

 $Amount of 2016 A \ refunding \ bond \ proceeds \ transferred \ to \ 2010 C \ bonds \ for \ 2-1-17 \ early \ redemption.$ 

# Cell: D13

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer net cash balance remaining from the 1995 Public Facilities bonds to the General Fund. \$\$'s were in turn used to pay down on the Fire Truck loan.

# Cell: D14

Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer net cash balance remaining from the 2010C bond fund to the General Fund.

#### Cell: O15

#### Comment: Robin Hanson:

Included in 2016 Budget to provide for interfund loan. For accounting purposes this results in an interfund loan and not an actual operating transfer.

### Cell: N16

#### Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of 2016B refunding bond proceeds to 2007A bond fund.

# Cell: N17

Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of 2016C refunding bond proceeds to 2007A bond fund.

## Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of city's net contribution to the 2016A bond refunding. \$95,000 for general contribution, \$42,000 for the interest on the interfund loan for SA prepayments and \$240,000 to ensure the 2016A bonds meet the 105% debt service funding requirement.

#### Cell: 118

Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of city's net contribution to the 2016A bond refunding.

#### Cell: M19 Comment: Robin Hanson:

# Cell: W20

Included in 2016 Budget to provide for interfund loan. For accounting purposes this results in an interfund loan and not an actual operating transfer.

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer within the Maintenance Fund to set-up funding for township road maintenance.

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of Liquor Store Community Investment \$'s to the Park Improvement Fund for the purchase of the roving camera (currently surveiling at Lake Julia park) and the new bike racks for downtown.

Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of Liquor Funds Community Investment \$'s to the Fire Capital Fund for the purchase of thermal imaging camera.

# Cell: Q22

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of Liquor Store Community Investment \$'s to the Arena Capital Project Fund for advertising on the new Zamboni (\$10,000) and the new sound sytem (\$8,121)

## Cell: R22

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of Liquor Store Community Investment Fund \$'s to the Gen'l Capital Equipment Fund for the purchase of a new building inspections vehicle.

# Comment: Robin Hanson:

Transfer of Liquor Store Community Investment Fund \$'s to the Trail Maintenance Fund for the TH-3 trail extension