Reply to Common Council File No. 030521

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File No. 030521 contains a resolution authorizing the release of a portion the 2002 appropriation for the City Attorney Office Renovation and Police 2<sup>nd</sup> District Station Renovation. Due to the uncertainty surrounding the 2002 shared revenue payments resulting from former Governor McCallum's state budget reduction proposal, these projects were "held" as part of Common Council Resolution 011615 adopted on April 23, 2002. Ultimately, the state retained 2002 shared revenue payments at their original levels.

The City Attorney has requested that \$80,000 of the remaining \$212,000 on "hold" for the Five Additional Assistant Attorney Offices project be released to renovate the City Attorney general office area. The total appropriation was \$352,000 of which only \$140,000 was needed to complete prior stages of this project. Due to this most recent and earlier reorganizations, staffing and functions of general office personnel have changed substantially. In addition, the general office work area is in poor material condition with dilapidated open workspace cubicles and furniture and insufficient lighting.

Releasing \$395,000 of the \$2,000,000 provided in the 2002 Capital Budget for Police 2<sup>nd</sup> District Station Renovation will allow the department to replace the aged, worn roof and heating ventilation and air conditioning equipment. This will prevent water damage to the building and maintain proper conditions for current building use loads and occupants.

Earlier resolutions have released \$14.8 million of capital projects from deferred or "hold" status. Should these two recommendations be approved, \$2.1 million of 2002 capital project appropriations will remain on "hold." These projects would be available for release from "hold" at a later date.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE FILE 030521 TO RELEASE A PORTION OF 2002 CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM "HOLD" STATUS IMPOSED BY RESOLUTION 011615.

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