

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
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ITEM 6, FILE # 021084
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File # 021084 is a resolution implementing a provision of the 2003 city budget reserving \$500,000 in the 2003 Common Council Contingent Fund to pay for a third police class in 2003.

Background

1. This resolution implements a provision of the 2003 city budget reserving \$500,000 in the 2003 Common Council Contingent Fund to pay for a third police class in 2003.
2. The 2003 proposed budget included funding for two police recruit classes in 2003.

Discussion

1. The 2003 adopted budget included a footnote directing that \$500,000 be reserved in the 2003 Common Council Contingent Fund to pay for a third police recruit class in 2003.
2. The implementation of this footnote would permit the city to defer a final decision as to whether or not it is necessary to schedule a class until the later months of 2003.
3. The cost of a police recruit class is approximately \$100,000 per pay period. This amount includes salaries only.

Fiscal Impact

1. The 2003 Common Council Contingent Fund is budgeted at \$5 million.
2. There is no fiscal impact associated with this resolution until the decision is made to schedule a third police recruit class in 2003. The money reserved for the third police recruit class, however, should be considered an *encumbrance* upon the 2003 Contingent Fund, and therefore the 2003 Contingent Fund will have an available balance of \$4.5 million.

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