

Legislation Text

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ACTION REQUESTED:

Pass an ordinance approving an amendment to the City of Naperville Annual Budget for Calendar Year 2019 in the amount of \$274,000 (requires six positive votes)

DEPARTMENT: Finance Department

<u>SUBMITTED BY:</u> Rachel Mayer, Finance Director

BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:

N/A

BACKGROUND:

On April 16, 2019, City Council directed staff to examine alternative methods to continue the existing six-week, three-cycle program in a more efficient and effective manner following staff's request to reduce the program to four-weeks and two-cycles.

Included in Council's request was an evaluation of new equipment, contractor assistance and daily hours of operation to complete the program before winter interference. Based on Council feedback, the Department of Public Works developed a five-year plan to bolster the existing program and allow the City to continue providing a six-week, three-cycle leaf collection.

DPW projected the total cost of the enhanced program at \$1.9 million annually, starting in 2019. The current budget includes approximately \$1.6 million in total expenses for the curbside leaf program. Staff requested Council to direct staff to prepare a budget amendment for the program cost differential. The amendment will add spending authority to the 2019 General Fund operating budget. DPW will also increase the program budget to \$1.9 million in 2020.

On June 18, 2019, City Council approved staff's request. The budget amendment will increase the budget \$274,000 to provide the annual bulk curbside leaf program.

DISCUSSION:

According to state statute, Council must approve an amendment to the 2019 Annual Budget to increase expenditure authority by \$274,000 in the General Fund.

The increase will bring the General Fund from \$125,878,907 to \$126,152,907 in 2019 spending authority. Exhibit A provides a breakdown on the impact of the proposed budget amendment to the City's overall expenditure budget by fund.

The increase expenditure authority will provide funding for the following items:

- \$75,000 for contract leaf pickup in District 10;
- \$75,000 for contract leaf pickup in District 8;
- \$92,000 to rent two front-end loaders and increase the City's contracted semi-truck services; and
- \$32,000 for rental of a trackless leaf loader.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The amendment will increase the City's overall 2019 expenditures budget to \$451,672,341. Cash reserves will be used to fund the budget amendment.