

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE 2025 BUDGET TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND, INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND, PARK RESERVE FUND, STREETS CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION FUND AND PARK PROJECT CONSTRUCTION FUND AND DECLARING THAT A PUBLIC EMERGENCY EXISTS IN THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND, INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND AND PARK RESERVE FUND.

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2024, Richland City Council approved Ordinance No. 2024-37 adopting the 2025 Budget; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance No. 2025-08 will address several budget adjustments occurring in various funds; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2024-119 authorized the acceptance of a grant of up to \$10,000 from the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) for the purchase of traffic safety law enforcement equipment; and

WHEREAS, upon award of the grant, WTSC awarded additional funds of \$6,325 for a total amount of \$16,325; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2025-35 authorized the City Manager to sign and execute a memorandum of understanding with the Seattle Police Department for the purchase of forensic hardware, software, and training for use in Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigations; and

WHEREAS, additional appropriations in the amount of \$91,325 are needed in the General Fund to authorize the spending of the above grants; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2024-169 authorized a phased, multi-property land exchange between the City of Richland and the Port of Benton; and

WHEREAS, Phase I properties closed on January 7, 2025; and

WHEREAS, additional environmental testing is desired before closing on Phase II properties, which is estimated to cost \$168,249 from the Industrial Development Fund; and

WHEREAS, additional General Fund appropriations in the amount of \$300,000 are required to temporarily loan funds to the Richland Housing Authority to resolve outstanding federal loan obligations and complete winding down by divesting of the remaining assets; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Budget included a capital improvement project to construct an outdoor space at the Richland Public Library, which has been carried forward to the current year; and

WHEREAS, inflationary factors and higher than anticipated bids have resulted in the need to reengineer the project and seek additional funds in the amount of \$118,157; and

WHEREAS, the Park Reserve Fund has adequate reserves to pay for the additional costs, which will be transferred from the Parks Reserve Fund to the Park Project Construction Fund; and

WHEREAS, Council previously authorized the acceptance of several grants for transportation as follows; \$1,307,000 federal grant for pavement preservation on South George Washington Way from Columbia Point to Bradley; \$850,000 State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) grant for sidewalk improvement on George Washington Way from Comstock to Bradley; \$1,024,000 federal grant for pavement preservation on South George Washington Way from Bradley to Guyer; \$306,201 State TIB grant for Queensgate and Duportail intersection improvements; and \$633,232 State TIB grant for Duportail and Kennedy intersection improvements; and

WHEREAS, additional appropriations in the amount of \$4,120,433 are needed in the Streets Capital Construction Fund to authorize spending of the grant awards; and

WHEREAS, no funds were appropriated in the General Fund, Industrial Development Fund, Park Reserve Fund, Streets Capital Construction Fund or Park Project Construction Fund for the purposes identified herein; and

WHEREAS, sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the General Fund, Industrial Development Fund and Park Reserve Fund to support the required budget adjustments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35.33.091, a duly noticed public hearing was held on April 1, 2025 regarding the increase in appropriations from beginning fund balance in the above-referenced funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Richland as follows:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to receive additional grant funds from the Washington Traffic Safety Commission in the amount of \$6,325.

Section 2. Facts Constituting Emergency. The expenses contained within this Ordinance were not anticipated when the 2025 Budget was approved.

Section 3. Declaration of Public Emergency. Due to circumstances described above, the City Council declares that a public emergency exists in the General Fund, Industrial Development Fund, and Park Reserve Fund.

Section 4. Amendment of the 2025 Budget. The 2025 Budget is hereby amended to provide additional appropriations in the General Fund, Industrial Development Fund, Park Reserve Fund,

Streets Capital Construction Fund and Park Project Construction Fund from unappropriated fund balance and grants identified herein as follows:

General Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 82,842,676
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 391,325
Amended Appropriation: \$ 83,234,001

Industrial Development Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 6,401,326
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 168,249
Amended Appropriation: \$ 6,569,575

Park Reserve Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 251,544
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 118,157
Amended Appropriation: \$ 369,701

Streets Capital Construction Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 23,279,988
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 4,120,433
Amended Appropriation: \$ 27,400,421

Park Project Construction Fund

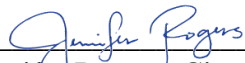
Current Appropriation: \$ 1,852,000
Increase in Appropriation: \$ 118,157
Amended Appropriation: \$ 1,970,157

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect the day following its publication in the official newspaper of the City of Richland.

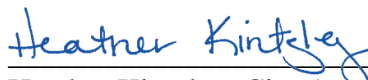
PASSED by the City Council of the City of Richland, Washington, at a regular meeting on the 15th day of April, 2025.


Theresa Richardson, Mayor

Attest:


Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:


Heather Kintzley, City Attorney

First Reading: April 1, 2025
Second Reading: April 15, 2025
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