

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-16**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE 2025 BUDGET TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND STREETS CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION FUND, AND DECLARING THAT A PUBLIC EMERGENCY EXISTS IN THESE FUNDS.**

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

**WHEREAS**, the City owns and operates the public street right-of-way within City limits; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's existing streetlights along Thayer Drive between Kuhn Street and Sunset Street are attached to Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) electrical poles; and

**WHEREAS**, BPA will remove the existing power poles and wire along Thayer Drive between Kuhn Street and Sunset Street in fall 2025 as part of its transmission line upgrades project; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) includes a project entitled Thayer Drive Street Lights (the "Project") which is scoped to install new streetlights on Thayer Drive in relation to impacts incurred by BPA's project; and

**WHEREAS**, bids were solicited in accordance with the City's purchasing policies, with five (5) bids received and opened on April 15, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, bids were all above the Engineer's Estimate; and

**WHEREAS**, funds that were appropriated in the Streets Capital Construction Fund for the Project do not fully fund the budget needed to award the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the Capital Improvement Fund and General Fund to support the required budget adjustment; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's best interests are served by completing the Project in accordance with the CIP, project design and the lowest responsible bid; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held pursuant to RCW 35.33.091 on May 20, 2025, regarding the increase in appropriations from beginning fund balance in the Capital Improvement Fund and in the General Fund.

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

Section 1. Facts Constituting Emergency. The expenses contained within this Ordinance were not anticipated when the 2025 Budget was adopted.

Section 2. Declaration of Public Emergency. Due to the circumstances described above, the City Council declares that a public emergency exists in the General Fund and Capital Improvement Fund.

Section 3. Amendment of the 2025 Budget. The 2025 Budget is hereby amended to provide additional appropriations in the Streets Capital Construction Fund from interfund transfers, and in the Capital Improvement Fund and General Fund from unappropriated fund balance as follows:

General Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 83,234,001

Increase in Appropriation: \$ 218,700

Amended Appropriation: \$ 83,452,701

Capital Improvement Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 4,073,366

Increase in Appropriation: \$ 218,700

Amended Appropriation: \$ 4,292,066

Streets Capital Construction Fund

Current Appropriation: \$ 27,400,421

Increase in Appropriation: \$ 437,400

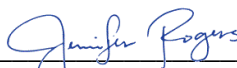
Amended Appropriation: \$ 27,837,821

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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2025.

  
Theresa Richardson, Mayor

Attest:

  
Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

  
Heather Kintzley, City Attorney

First Reading: May 20, 2025  
Second Reading: June 3, 2025  
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