

INTRODUCED: May 24, 2021

AN ORDINANCE No. 2021-139

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for an on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the amount of \$2,097,416.68 from the School Board of the City of Richmond and to appropriate the funds received to the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Office of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Human Services by \$2,097,416.68 for the purpose of funding payments to providers of emergency childcare and virtual learning support through the end of the 2020-2021 school year and reimbursing the City for payments made by the City in Feb., 2021, to four providers of emergency childcare and virtual learning support.

Patron – Mayor Stoney

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JUN 7 2021 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That the Chief Administrative Officer, for an on behalf of the City of Richmond, is hereby authorized to accept funds in the amount of \$2,097,416.68 from the School Board of the City of Richmond for the purpose of funding payments to providers of emergency childcare and virtual learning support through the end of the 2020-2021 school year and reimbursing the City for payments made by the City in February, 2021, to four providers of emergency childcare and virtual learning support.

AYES: 8 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

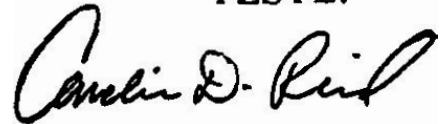
ADOPTED: JUN 7 2021 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

§ 2. That the funds received are hereby appropriated to the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, by increasing estimated revenues by \$2,097,416.68, increasing the amount appropriated for expenditures by \$2,097,416.68, and allotting to the Office of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Human Services the sum of \$2,097,416.68 for the purpose of funding payments to providers of emergency childcare and virtual learning support through the end of the 2020-2021 school year and reimbursing the City for payments made by the City in February, 2021, to four providers of emergency childcare and virtual learning support

§ 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

A TRUE COPY:

TESTE:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carlin D. Reil". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C".

City Clerk



CITY OF RICHMOND

INTRACITY CORRESPONDENCE

O&R REQUEST

DATE: April 23, 2021

EDITION: 1

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor

THROUGH: Lincoln Saunders, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

THROUGH: Sheila White, Interim Director of Finance

THROUGH: Jay Brown, Director of Budget

THROUGH: Reggie Gordon, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Human Services

FROM: Eva Colen, Senior Policy Advisor and Manager, Office of Children & Families

RE: Emergency Childcare Initiative Funding

ORD. OR RES. No. _____

PURPOSE: To accept funds from Richmond Public Schools to make final payments to organizations offering emergency childcare and virtual learning support to cover applicable costs through the end of the virtual school year, as well as to reimburse the City for payments made to some of these providers to cover costs in February 2021.

REASON: Richmond Public Schools is prepared to transfer \$2,100,000 to the City of Richmond for the purpose of continuing emergency childcare with virtual learning support to the end of the school year.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval is recommended by the City Administration.

BACKGROUND: The Emergency Childcare Initiative disbursed \$2.3 million of CARES Act monies to providers of emergency childcare with virtual learning support to Richmond Public School students from September 2020 through January 2021. In February 2021, the School Board approved a proposal to use monies from their ESSER allocation to cover the costs of these organizations through the end of the school year, since the City's CARES allocation had been exhausted. Additionally, the City granted \$103,560 total to four providers to cover their expenses in February; they were unable to remain in operation without an additional infusion of funds at

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that point. The total amount to be received from RPS will be \$2,097,416.68 to cover both the reimbursement of City funds and the monthly expenses of the providers through the end of the school year.

FISCAL IMPACT / COST: The total amount to be received from RPS will be \$2,097,416.68 to cover both the reimbursement of City funds (\$103,560) and the monthly expenses of the providers through the end of the school year.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: N/A

BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY: Yes, to accept \$2,097,416.68 as a transfer from Richmond Public Schools and appropriate it to the Department of Human Services.

REVENUE TO CITY: The total amount to be received from RPS will be \$2,097,416.68 to cover both the reimbursement of City funds (\$103,560) and the monthly expenses of the providers through the end of the school year.

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon adoption

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: April 26, 2021

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: May 10, 2021

REQUESTED AGENDA: Consent

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Education and Human Services

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: Richmond Public Schools

AFFECTED AGENCIES: Department of Human Services, Finance, and Budget

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.: N/A

REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S): N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Letter from Superintendent Kamras to Mayor Stoney, stating intent to transfer
2. Detailed budget for transferred funds

STAFF: Eva Colen, Senior Policy Advisor and Manager, Office of Children & Families

April 20, 2021

Dear Mayor Stoney,

Thank you for your leadership over the course of the pandemic. During these unprecedented times, you have continued to prioritize the wellness and safety of our city's children and families. Thank you.

Richmond Public School families have benefited from the Emergency Childcare Initiative launched by your office in 2020, through which nonprofit and faith-based organizations received CARES Act funds to stand up emergency child care programs with virtual learning support for RPS students.

This letter serves to notify your administration of the intent of Richmond Public Schools to transfer up to \$2.1 million to the City of Richmond to continue the Emergency Childcare Initiative through the end of the academic year in June 2021, during which time the majority of RPS students will continue virtual school.

The RPS School Board voted on February 23 to approve a proposal for the use of monies allocated to Richmond from the Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund, as part of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act. This proposal included the allocation of funds to the City of Richmond for the purpose of continuing the Emergency Childcare Initiative.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to Richmond's children and families.

Sincerely,



Jason Kamras
Superintendent

Provider Name	Type	Location	Monthly Cost	February Grant**	Gap to June*	Total RPS Cost
Blacktop Kings & Queens	Nonprofit	Community	\$ 62,680.00	\$ 62,680.00	\$ 250,720.00	\$ 313,400.00
St. James's Children's Center	Nonprofit	Community	\$ 7,812.66	\$ -	\$ 39,063.30	\$ 39,063.30
Mt. Olivet Church	Church	Community	\$ 21,100.00	\$ 21,100.00	\$ 84,400.00	\$ 105,500.00
FRIENDS Association for Children	Nonprofit	Community	\$ 24,325.00	\$ -	\$ 121,625.00	\$ 121,625.00
Metropolitan African-American Baptist Church	Church	Community	\$ 22,333.00	\$ -	\$ 111,665.00	\$ 111,665.00
Faith CBC	Church	Community	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,780.00	\$ 32,220.00	\$ 40,000.00
Greater Brook Road BC	Church	Community	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
YWCA Richmond	Nonprofit	Community	\$ 53,666.00	\$ -	\$ 268,330.00	\$ 268,330.00
New Life Harvest Church	Nonprofit	Community	\$ 9,000.00	\$ -	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
New Life Deliverance Tabernacle	Church	Community	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Fifth Street Baptist Church	Church	Community	\$ 9,500.00	\$ -	\$ 47,500.00	\$ 47,500.00
YMCA of Greater Richmond	Nonprofit	School	\$ 225,600.00	\$ -	\$ 728,600.00	\$ 728,600.00
Peter Paul Development Center	Nonprofit	School	\$ 51,652.00	\$ -	\$ 166,733.38	\$ 166,733.38
TOTAL						\$ 2,097,416.68

* For community-based sites, the gap to June includes the sum of monthly costs from February onward. For school-based sites, this is the gap after accounting for the balance remaining from the 2020 grants, some of which were applied to 2021 costs.

** In February, the City of Richmond made one-time grants to four providers who did not have the resources to continue programming without additional funding. The RPS transfer will reimburse the City for these grants.