

INTRODUCED: May 24, 2021

AN ORDINANCE No. 2021-138

To amend Ord. No. 2020-053, adopted May 11, 2020, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2020-186, adopted Sept. 14, 2020, which appropriated and provided funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2020, and ending Jun. 30, 2021, by increasing estimated revenues from certain federal programs.

Patron – Mayor Stoney

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JUN 14 2021 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

I. That Ordinance No. 2020-053, adopted May 11, 2020, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2020-186, adopted September 14, 2020, be and is hereby amended and reordained as follows:

§ 1. That a sum not exceeding \$210,165,441 is hereby appropriated representing (i) \$28,471,367 in State Shared Sales Tax funds and (ii) \$181,694,074 in funds appropriated from the City’s general fund, resulting in a total City contribution to the School Board of \$181,694,074, and, together with the estimated receipts of the School Board from tuition charges and from other anticipated sources of revenue of \$13,977,071, along with revenue from Richmond Public

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: JUN 14 2021 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

Schools' Anthem healthcare reserve fund of \$0, and with the estimated state and federal receipts of the School Board through the Commonwealth of Virginia of \$191,364,933 (excluding transfers to special funds and including \$131,311,973 in state funds and [~~\$60,052,960~~] \$83,711,323.95 in federal funds), may be expended for the operation of the public free schools in the City, including the payment of salaries, wages, debt service, other expenses, acquisition of equipment and supplies and maintenance of the school plant and other capital expenses; provided, however, such expenditures shall not exceed in any event [~~\$415,507,445~~] \$439,165,808.95; and provided further that, in the event that the actual receipts from or through the Commonwealth of Virginia for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, exceed the estimated receipts from such sources, the expenditure of such excess for such purpose must be further authorized and approved by the City Council.

§ 2. That the appropriations for which this ordinance provides over and above the amounts required by state law to be paid are conditioned upon the following:

(i) Richmond Public Schools shall submit to the City's Director of Finance quarterly reports of year-to-date spending and estimated annualized spending of local funding and funding from all general sources. Such reports shall be submitted prior to a request of any subsequent quarterly distribution of local funds. The quarterly reports shall further document the following:

(1) The number of filled/authorized non-teacher instructional positions on staff in the Instruction Category that exceed Standard of Quality guidelines;

(2) The number of filled/authorized administrative type positions on staff in the Administration, Attendance and Health Category that exceed Standard of Quality guidelines;

(3) The increase in federally funded free and reduced meal participation compared in the previous year;

(4) The energy cost spending compared to the same month in the previous year;
and

(5) The number of “deadhead” (i.e., empty bus) miles compared to the same month in the previous year.

(ii) Richmond Public Schools shall submit to the City Auditor, within 90 days of the effective date of this ordinance, a statement of the cost per pupil of the educational services provided to each pupil along with the methodology used to calculate such cost.

(iii) Richmond Public Schools shall submit to the City Council’s Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee a quarterly financial report no later than 45 days after the end of each quarter in a format to be agreed upon by Richmond Public Schools and such Committee prior to the due date of the first such report.

§ 3. That the payment and settlement of claims of any kind heretofore or hereafter asserted against the School Board or the City itself growing out of the operation of the public schools and final judgments heretofore or hereafter obtained against the School Board or the City on account thereof, together with all costs, interest, fees for legal services and all other fees and expenses incident thereto, shall be paid upon the approval and order of the City Attorney from the funds herein appropriated for defraying the expenses of operating the public schools.

§ 4. That all sums of money derived from the City’s funds which are unexpended in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, shall remain a part of the City’s funds for use the next year and shall be returned directly to the City at the close of the fiscal year.

§ 5. That, after the close of the prior fiscal year’s activity and once unexpended City funds from that period are returned to the City, a set target amount of local funds for the Richmond Public Schools budget shall be established by the City Administration for the subsequent fiscal

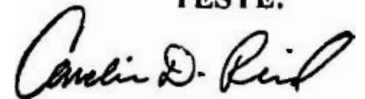
year commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022. Such budget target shall be communicated by the Director of Finance to the Superintendent no later than November 30, 2021, and be utilized by Richmond Public Schools as the maximum amount of local funding for use in compiling the Richmond Public Schools budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022. Any requests for local funding above and beyond such target amount shall be listed separately in the Richmond Public Schools budget document for the respective fiscal year for consideration by the City Administration.

§ 6. This ordinance shall be in force and effect at the first moment of the first day of July, 2020, and shall constitute the school budget appropriation ordinance for the fiscal year commencing on that date.

II. This amendatory ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

A TRUE COPY:

TESTE:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amber D. Reed".

City Clerk



CITY OF RICHMOND

INTRACITY CORRESPONDENCE

O&R
RE-
QUEST

DATE: May 7, 2021 **EDITION:** 1
TO: The Honorable Members of City Council
THROUGH: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor *[Signature]*
THROUGH: Lincoln Saunders, Acting Chief Administrative Officer *[Signature]*
THROUGH: Sheila White, Director of Finance *[Signature]*
FROM: Jay A. Brown, Director of Budget & Strategic Planning *[Signature]*
RE: Amendment to the FY2021 Budget for Richmond Public Schools

ORD. OR RES. No. _____

PURPOSE: To further amend the FY2021 Richmond Public Schools (RPS) budget, Ord. No. 2020-053 as previously amended by Ord. No. 2020-186, by increasing RPS' total allowable appropriation by \$23,658,363.95, at the request of RPS. RPS received additional federal funding, increasing the total allowable revenue and expense budget to \$439,165,808.95.

REASON: RPS has received additional federal funding under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act as well as under the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II (ESSER). RPS is requesting to increase their FY2021 appropriation to use a portion of those funds during the 2021 fiscal year which will result in a total allowable appropriation of \$439,165,808.95.

RECOMMENDATION: The City Administration recommends adoption of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND: RPS' FY2021 revenue and expenditure budgets are capped at the appropriation as approved by City Council. RPS received additional federal relief funding throughout the fiscal year and as a result cannot expend in excess of their current appropriation until City Council authorization is obtained. RPS is requesting to appropriate \$13,658,363.95, funding received under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, as well as \$10,000,000 received under the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II (ESSER). Specifically, the CARES Act includes allowable uses of funds related to preventing, preparing for, and responding to COVID-19. Funding is targeted to purchase school buses, provide social-emotional learning support to students and families, perform deep cleaning of school buildings, ensure all students and teachers are equipped with computers and hotspots, and provide PPE supplies. Allowable uses of funds under ESSER include addressing learning loss, preparing schools for reopening, and testing, repairing, and upgrading projects to improve air quality in school buildings. Funding is targeted to upgrade ventilation systems in all school buildings, provide facilitated learning centers for students, and technology purchases.

SOURCE: (must select all that apply)

- New/increased revenue** (*complete the general fund new budget item detail chart*)(you must identify the amount of the new revenue or increase in revenue and the reason the new revenue or increase in revenue is available – do this in the Background section above)
- Existing general fund** (*complete general fund transfer budget item detail*)(you must identify the budget item to be reduced, the amount of the reduction, the reason for the reduction, **and an analysis of the impact on each program or subprogram funded by that budget item** – do this in the Background and Reason sections above)
- Fund Balance/Reserve/Contingency/Other Funding Source** (you must identify the specific source to be used (eg. Fund balance, reserve, contingency, or other), the amount of that funding source proposed to be used, and the reason for the use of that funding source – do this in the Background section above)

FISCAL IMPACT/COST (current FY):

- **If Adopted:** The budget for Richmond Public Schools would change to reflect an increase in their revenue and expenditure budget from \$415,507,445 to \$439,165,808.95, an increase of \$23,658,363.95.
- **If Not Adopted:** RPS' spending authority will not accommodate additional expenditures related to CARES or ESSER funding received by the federal government. RPS will not be able to spend above their current appropriation levels.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS (future FYs): N/A

BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY: Yes

REVENUE TO CITY: N/A

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon adoption

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: May 24, 2021

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: June 14, 2021

REQUESTED AGENDA: Consent

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Request a waiver

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: No

AFFECTED AGENCIES: Richmond Public Schools and the Department of Budget & Strategic Planning

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.: 2020-053 and 2020-186

REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S): No

ATTACHMENTS: Email request from RPS

STAFF: Jay Brown, Director of Budget & Strategic Planning
Kiara Jordan, Principal Management Analyst

GENERAL FUND TRANSFER BUDGET ITEM DETAIL:

*for item # and title, see ordinance #2019-041, FY2020 Program Level Budget)

Existing Item – You must show the total appropriation/s for each budget item for your agency EXCEPT the budget item to receive funds

<u>FROM</u>					
<u>Item #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Program</u> (cost center #)	<u>Subprogram</u> (service code #)	<u>Transfer</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>New Appropriation</u> <u>Amount</u>

Existing Item – You must show the total appropriation for each modified budget item to receive funds, for your agency

OR

New Item – You must show the total appropriation for each modified budget item to receive funds, for your agency

*for a new item you must reference the next corresponding item # with a (.) decimal point, see ordinance #2019-041, FY2020 Program Level Budget)

