

INTRODUCED: March 27, 2017

AN ORDINANCE No. 2017-077

To amend Ord. No. 2016-057, adopted May 13, 2016, which appropriated and provided funds for financing the school budget for the fiscal year commencing Jul. 1, 2016, and ending Jun. 30, 2017, for the purpose of transferring \$5,500,000 from the Instruction classification to the Pupil Transportation classification.

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Patron – Mayor Stoney

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Approved as to form and legality  
by the City Attorney  
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PUBLIC HEARING: APR 24 2017 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

I. That Ordinance No. 2016-057, adopted May 13, 2016, be and is hereby amended and reordained as follows:

§ 1. That a sum not exceeding \$179,350,679 is hereby appropriated from the City’s general fund, representing (i) \$26,328,770 in State Shared Sales Tax funds, (ii) \$151,521,909 in appropriations from the City’s general fund and (iii) \$1,500,000 in prior year surplus funds re-appropriated by the City (with such new appropriations and re-appropriations of City funds resulting in a total City contribution to the School Board of \$153,021,909, and, together with the estimated receipts of the School Board from tuition charges and from other anticipated sources of

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revenue of \$624,651, along with revenue from Richmond Public 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 \$100,409,142 (excluding transfers to special funds and including \$99,689,142 in state funds and \$720,000 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 \$280,384,472; 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, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, 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, pursuant to section 22.1-94 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, the City Council appropriates and Richmond Public Schools shall spend appropriated funds for each major classification only as follows:

- (a) Instruction ..... [~~\$210,933,910~~] \$205,433,910;
- (b) Administration, attendance and health ..... \$16,718,042;
- (c) Pupil transportation ..... [~~\$9,304,050~~] \$14,804,050;
- (d) Operation and maintenance ..... \$26,989,405;
- (e) School food services and other noninstructional operations ..... \$0;
- (f) Facilities ..... \$97,440;
- (g) Debt and fund transfers ..... \$6,221,256;
- (h) Technology ..... \$10,120,369 and
- (i) Contingency reserves ..... \$0.

§ 3. 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.

§ 4. 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.

§ 5. That all sums of money derived from the City's funds which are unexpended in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, 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.

§ 6. 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, 2017, and ending June 30, 2018. Such budget target shall be communicated by the Director of Finance to the Superintendent no later than November 30, 2017, 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, 2017, and ending June 30, 2018. 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.

§ 7. This ordinance shall be in force and effect at the first moment of the first day of July, 2016, 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.



CITY OF RICHMOND
INTRACITY CORRESPONDENCE

O & R REQUEST

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Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

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O&R REQUEST

DATE: February 7, 2017

EDITION: 1

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor

THROUGH: Selena Cuffee-Glenn, Chief Administrative Officer

THROUGH: Jay A. Brown, Director, Budget and Strategic Planning

FROM: Dana T. Bedden, Superintendent of Schools

RE: Amendment to the FY2016 - 2017 General Fund Budget for Richmond Public Schools

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OFFICE OF CITY ATTORNEY

ORD. or RES. No.

PURPOSE: To amend the FY2016-2017 Richmond Public Schools General Fund budget by transferring funds in the amount of \$5,500,000 from the major classification "Instruction" to the major classification "Pupil Transportation." The transfer of funds is required in order to: 1) pay salaries and benefits of bus drivers, bus monitors, and transportation substitutes; 2) pay private carriers to transport exceptional education students; and 3) pay the lease purchase for school buses.

REASON: Under Ordinance No. 2016-057, City Council appropriated funding to Richmond Public Schools by major classification. The allocation to Pupil Transportation is under-funded by \$5.5M.

The Richmond Public Schools Administration recommends transferring \$5,500,000 from Schools major classification "Instruction" to the major classification "Pupil Transportation." This action is budget neutral to Schools and the City, and will allow Schools to meet its obligations relating to Pupil Transportation.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

BACKGROUND: City Council appropriated funding to Schools by major classification. The amount allocated to Pupil Transportation is insufficient to provide the needed services to our students.

FISCAL IMPACT/COST: This ordinance will amend the FY2016-2017 Richmond Public Schools General Fund budget by reallocating \$5,500,000 from the major classification "Instruction" to the major classification "Pupil Transportation." This action has no fiscal impact.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** There are no fiscal implications if the funding is transferred as recommended.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY:** Yes.

**REVENUE TO CITY:** N/A

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon adoption.

**REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE:** February 27, 2017

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** March 13, 2017

**REQUESTED AGENDA:** Consent Agenda

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** Finance or Education Committee

**CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:** None

**AFFECTED AGENCIES:** Richmond Public Schools

**RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.:** Ordinance 2016-057

**REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S):** None

**ATTACHMENTS:** None

**STAFF:** David Myers, Assistant Superintendent for Finance – Richmond Public Schools