



Staff Report

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Agenda Date: 11/24/2015

Subject:

Resolution to reallocate Reserve for Future Years in the FY15 Fire Districts Fund for the Clearwater Fire District Budget and the Safety Harbor Fire District Budget.

Recommended Action:

Adoption of a resolution to reallocate Reserve for Future Years in the FY15 Fire Districts Fund for the Clearwater Fire District Budget and the Safety Harbor Fire District Budget.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

4.4 Invest in infrastructure to meet current and future needs

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources.

Summary:

The City of Clearwater has requested funding from the Clearwater Fire District - Reserve for Future Years for construction of a new Main Fire Station (Station 45). The cumulative cost totaled \$10,453,313.50 through September 30, 2015, and \$1,168,680.45 is requested from the County's accumulated Reserve for Future Years retained within the Clearwater Fire District budget to fund this capital project. The amount of this request represents the County's share of the expense paid by the City of Clearwater and subject to the 11.18% unincorporated percentage split for FY15.

The City of Safety Harbor has requested funding from the Safety Harbor Fire District - Reserve for Future Years for replacement of Fire Truck 53, renovations and concrete pad replacement at Station 53, and Fire Station 52 improvements. The cost totaled \$725,329.22 for these four capital items, and \$41,126.17 is requested from the County's accumulated Reserve for Future Years retained within the Safety Harbor Fire District budget. The amount of this request represents the County's share of the expense paid by the City of Safety Harbor and subject to the 5.67% unincorporated percentage split for FY15.

Background Information:

In order to avoid large fluctuations in millage rates, fire suppression districts have an option of accumulating funds for anticipated capital outlay and improvement expenditures over multiple fiscal years. As a result of this funding option, the County maintains its required proportional amount within

the fire districts' budgeted reserves until reimbursement is requested for actual costs incurred. Fire trucks, fire stations and equipment are typical items budgeted in this manner.

Fiscal Impact:

The attached resolution reallocates \$1,168,690.00 from the Clearwater Fire District's Reserve for Future Years, and \$41,130.00 from the Safety Harbor Fire District's Reserve for Future Years, to increase the FY15 budget for Aids to Government Agencies-Capital.

Staff Member Responsible:

Veronica Ettel, Senior Financial Management and Budget Analyst,
Office of Management and Budget

Partners:

City of Clearwater
City of Safety Harbor

Attachment:

Attachment 1 - Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 15-_____

SUPPLEMENTING FY15 BUDGET

WHEREAS, Section 129.06(2)(c), F.S., provides that the reserve for future construction and improvements may be appropriated by Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners for the purposes for which the reserve was made; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has established and budgeted reserves for future construction and improvements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida, in a public meeting duly assembled this 24th day of November, 2015, that funds allocated to Reserve for Future Years are appropriated in a manner consistent with the purpose for which the reserve was established within the Fire Districts Fund and the total County budget for FY15 as follows:

<u>FIRE DISTRICTS FUND (1050)</u>			Current	Increase/	Amended
Center /			Budget	(Decrease)	Budget
Program/	Number		as of 10/27/15		
Account					
<u>Appropriations</u>					
Center	345220	Clearwater			
Program	1008	Reserves			
Account	5997000	Reserve-Future Years	\$2,110,580	(\$1,168,690)	\$941,890
				<u>(\$1,168,690)</u>	
Center	345245	Safety Harbor			
Program	1008	Reserves			
Account	5997000	Reserve-Future Years	\$205,030	(\$41,130)	\$163,900
				<u>(\$41,130)</u>	
<u>Appropriations</u>					
Center	345220	Clearwater			
Program	1821	Unincorporated Fire Districts			
Account	5810006	Aids To Govt Agencies - Capital	\$0	\$1,168,690	\$1,168,690
Total				<u>\$1,168,690</u>	
Center	345245	Safety Harbor			
Program	1821	Unincorporated Fire Districts			
Account	5810006	Aids To Govt Agencies - Capital	\$0	\$41,130	\$41,130
Total				<u>\$41,130</u>	

Commissioner _____ offered the foregoing Resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon roll call the vote was:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:

APPROVED AS TO FORM

By: 
Office of the County Attorney