

BUDGET RESOLUTION 2021-133

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE RESERVE FOR BUILDING FUND FOR BUILDING RELATED EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$196,994

WHEREAS, the Growth Management Department has been advertising Building Inspector positions since September 2020 and has been unable to fill them to date; and

WHEREAS, because of the strong building industry, staff needs to maintain inspection and review times consistent with the City's Strategic Plan;

WHEREAS, it has been decided to outsource a portion of the inspections and plan reviews until the Department can fill the full-time Building Inspector positions; and

WHEREAS, the cost to hire two full time positions through the end of September will be \$172,800; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19, some of the Building staff have been working from home on their own personal computers because they do not have City laptops; and

WHEREAS, it is more secure and preferable to have employees work on City equipment rather than their personal equipment; and

WHEREAS, the cost to replace 10 desktops with 10 laptops and docking stations will be \$17,020; and

WHEREAS, stands are needed to secure laptops in 9 vehicles used by Building staff; the cost for these and their installation will be approximately \$2,674; and

WHEREAS, funding is needed for the Chief Building Official to obtain his electrical license, which will cost \$4,500, so that he can assist with electrical inspections and plan reviews; and

WHEREAS, the City's Building Fund has a reserve balance of approximately \$2,539,925 and this reserve cannot exceed the average of the past 4 years expenses to operate the Building Division by Florida Statute; and

WHEREAS, since the aforementioned expenses are necessary for the Building operation and their cost will help reduce the reserve, it is an appropriate use of funding

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OCALA, FLORIDA, duly assembled in regular session, that the FY2021 Budget be amended as outlined below to appropriate funding as follows:

Source:

001-099-999-513-81-99170	Building's Reserve for Fund Balance	\$196,994
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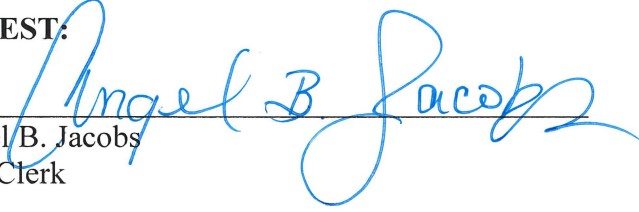
001-016-061-524-52-34010	GRM Building - Other Services	\$172,800
001-016-061-524-52-40010	GRM Building - Training	\$ 4,500


001-016-061-524-52-52060	GRM Building - Equipment (\$1,000-\$4,000)	\$ 17,020
001-016-061-515-51-52020	GRM Building - Operating Supplies	<u>\$ 2,674</u>
	TOTAL	\$196,994


This resolution adopted this 6 day of April, 2021.

CITY OF OCALA

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