

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-0513

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Carrico

Date of Introduction: July 22, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: July 21, 2025

Type of Action: Appropriation; approval of positions; waiver of conflicting provisions of Section 10.105, *Ordinance Code*.

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$1,855,800 from a General Fund/GSD designated Contingency account to fund City Council Member salaries and benefits and postage expenses for FY 25-26. The bill also approves the 19 Council Member positions. The bill waives conflicting provisions of Section 10.105, *Ordinance Code*, to provide a postage allowance of \$1,000 per Council Member; the remaining \$36,000 budgeted for postage shall be distributed at the discretion of the Council President.

Background Information: This funding was not included in Ordinance 2025-504 (budget bill) due to a conflict of interest that would arise for two council members. Removing this appropriation to a separate ordinance permits those members to abstain from voting on this bill while enabling them to vote on the budget ordinance.

Policy Impact Area: Council Member salaries, voting conflict avoidance

Fiscal Impact: This bill appropriates \$1,855,800 for Council Member salaries for FY 25-26.

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