

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-679

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Sheriff

Date of Introduction: September 26, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: September 28, 2023

Type of Action: Appropriation; position authorization

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$2,407,004.95 from the Inmate Welfare Trust Fund to establish the Trust Fund's fiscal year 2023-2024 operating budget in accordance with Section 111.300, *Ordinance Code*, and Section 951.23(9), *Florida Statutes*. It reauthorizes one Corrections Sergeant position within the trust fund.

Background Information: The sources of the funds are projected fiscal year 2023-2024 revenues which will be allocated as follows:

- \$132,434.30 in various salary accounts for employees whose duties directly relate to the Trust Fund;
- \$362.62 in City employees' Worker's Compensation;
- \$3,201.00 for general liability insurance;
- \$816,204.04 for admission packs, indigent packs, law library supplies, recreational equipment, replacement servers for existing security cameras, and other related items;
- \$905,407.00 for "Computer Equipment" for various capital equipment items at the Pre-Trial Detention Facility;
- \$549,396.00 for "Specialized Equipment" for various capital equipment items at the Montgomery Correctional Facility, Community Transition Facility, and Pre-Trial Detention Facility.

The Inmate Welfare Trust Fund receives the net profits from the commissary operation within the City's correctional facilities, which fund shall be used only for the overall welfare of the inmates. Expenses involved in the commissary operation including cost of goods sold, compensation for commissary employees and expenses incurred by the Sheriff's Office may be paid from the profits of the commissary. An inmate welfare fund committee shall recommend what expenditures are to be made. Activities of the committee shall be reviewed by the officer in charge (Director of Corrections) who shall have the final authority on expenditures.

Policy Impact Area: Correctional facility operations

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$2,407,004.95 from the Inmate Welfare Trust Fund

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