CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-569

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President Salem

Date of Introduction: August 22, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: F

Date of Analysis: August 24, 2023

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$100,000 from a designated Special Council Contingency Fund to the Supervisor of Elections' budget to pay rental costs for polling locations. The Office of General Counsel and the Council Auditor are authorized to take the actions necessary to effectuate the purpose of the ordinance.

Background Information: The appropriation for rental of a polling place is being handled separately from the budget ordinance via separate legislation because a council member is employed by the owner of an early voting site and would not be able to vote for the budget due to a prohibited voting conflict. By providing the funding to rent the polling site via separate legislation, the council member can abstain from voting on this appropriation and can vote on the budget ordinance.

Policy Impact Area: Polling location; council member voting conflict

Fiscal Impact: None

Analyst: Clements