

Introduced by: Council Member Forbes
 Introduction Date: February 12, 2019
 Public Hearing: February 19, 2019
 Action: Passed
 Vote: 5-0

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

ORDINANCE # 18-12 (h)

An Ordinance of the Bethel City Council Amending the Adopted Annual FY 2019 Budget

Be it Enacted by the Bethel City Council that the FY2019 Annual Budget be amended as described herein.

Section 1. The following sums of money may be needed or deemed necessary to provide for increased expenses and liabilities of the City of Bethel are hereby appropriated for the corporate purposes and objects of the City hereinafter specified for Fiscal Year 2019 (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019).

Section 2. The following is a summary of the changes by fund and department:

- WHEREAS,** The City of Bethel Police Department currently provides 911 services via it's Dispatch Office;
- WHEREAS,** for some time now, the Dispatch office has had the ability to know where a land line call is being made from , even if the caller is unable to speak;
- WHEREAS,** the FCC has made improvements to cellular laws and has mandated that wireless carriers provide 911 & E911 capability that would allow for accurate location for 911 calls from wireless phones:
- WHEREAS,** the requirements are such that when installed, Dispatch will be able to tell where a 911 cell call is being placed within 50-300 meters of latitude and longitude of the caller;
- WHEREAS,** the wireless carriers are currently compliant, making it the City's responsibility to also comply by ensuring its system can accurately receive the information;
- WHEREAS,** with only minor adjustments, the City's current Dispatch hardware and software can in fact handle the advance in technology, allowing the City of Bethel's dispatchers to pinpoint with some accuracy the location of a 911 wireless call;
- WHEREAS,** in order to pay for the necessary upgrade, it is necessary to utilize unexpended funds from last year's E-911 budget;
- WHEREAS,** these monies are specifically earmarked and cannot be spent on anything but E911 related services;
- WHEREAS,** because updates are always a strong possibility as technology advances, some funds are allowed to roll-over each year into an E911 savings in order to cover such contingencies and in order to keep E911 a self-sustaining program as envisioned and required by the FCC;
- WHEREAS,** in FY18, \$99,552.65 in E911 monies ere rolled over and are being held in reserve by the City for updates to the E911 system;
- WHEREAS,** due to this type of planning, updates in technology that occur between budget seasons can be accomplished without the need to request that the City Council utilized much needed General Funds;
- WHEREAS,** utilizing the earmarked monies also furthers the goals of keeping the program self-sustaining;

E911

Budget modification (a)

Account #	Increases	Amount
41-50-669	E911 Other Purchased Services	19,500
	Total Increases	19,500
	Decreases	

41-50	FY18 Reserves	(19,500)
	Total Decreases	(19,500)
TOTAL	Net Change to E911	0

- WHEREAS,** the FY18 Audit needs to be completed;
- WHEREAS,** Espelin & Associates started the FY18 Audit with Altman Rogers in December 2018;
- WHEREAS,** Carmen Jackson provided support, compiling documents needed for the audit pending list;
- WHEREAS,** Altman Rogers-the Auditing firm will compile the information and complete the Audit;
- WHEREAS,** in order to be compliant the audit must be completed by March 31st, 2019;
- WHEREAS,** we are approximately 6 weeks behind schedule on the FY18 Audit;

Finance Department

Budget modification (b)

Account #	Increases	Amount
10-53-641	Audit Expense(Altman Rogers)	20,000
10-53-669	Other Purchased Services-Carmen Jackson, CPA	10,000
10-53-669	Purchased Services-Espelin & Associates	20,000
	Total Increases	50,000
	Decreases	
10-53-501	Salaries	(50,000)
	Total Decreases	(50,000)
TOTAL	Net Change to the Finance Department	0

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19 DAY OF FEBRUARY 2019 BY A VOTE OF 5 IN FAVOR AND 0 OPPOSED.

ATTEST:



Lori Strickler, City Clerk



Fred Watson, Mayor