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Department of Finance

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TO: Eric D. Campbell, City Manager FROM: Larry L. Propst, Director of Finance

DATE: July 2, 2018

RE: Supplemental Appropriation – Land for New School (Public Hearing)

Summary: Consider a supplemental appropriation for the purchase of land for a new school in the amount of \$5,025,000.

<u>Background:</u> The city has agreed to purchase land from James Madison University for the site of a new school. The purchase price is \$5,000,000 with an allowance of \$25,000 for closing and other potential costs to purchase the property.

Key Issues: This supplemental appropriation will appropriate \$5,025,000 (including closing costs) to fund the purchase of the land. Funds are available in the General Fund's unappropriated fund balance. This supplemental appropriation represents an increase of over 1% of the total city budget. Code of Virginia Section 15.2-2507 requires a public hearing for budget amendments that exceed 1% of the budget.

Environmental Impact: None

<u>Fiscal Impact</u>: This supplemental appropriation will increase the General Fund and School Capital Projects Fund budgets by \$5,025,000 each.

Prior Actions: None

<u>Alternatives:</u> Do not approve supplemental appropriation.

Community Engagement: A public hearing notice was placed in the Daily News-Record (DNR) on July 3, 2018.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the supplemental appropriation.

<u>Attachments:</u> Supplemental Appropriation.

Review:

The initiating Department Director will place in Legistar, in sequence of transmittal, the names of each department that must initial their review in order for this item to be placed on the City Council agenda. The completion of review only addresses the readiness of the issue for Council consideration. This does not address the recommendation for approval or denial of the issue.

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