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HEARING NOTES

Bill: 23-0459

Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation – Fire Department -
\$18,900,000

Committee: Finance and Performance
Chaired by: Councilman John T. Bullock
Hearing Date: Thursday, December 7, 2023
Time (Beginning): 3:45 PM
Time (Ending): 4:15 PM
Location: Council Chambers
Total Attendance: Approximately 45 in-person
Approximately 05 virtually

Committee Members in Attendance:

John T. Bullock
Eric T. Costello
Danielle McCray
Phylcia Porter

Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer – excused absence

Bill Synopsis in the file? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Attendance sheet in the file? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Agency reports read? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Video or audio-digitally recorded? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Evidence of notification to property owners? [] yes [] no [X] n/a
Final vote taken at this hearing? [X] yes [] no [] n/a
Motioned by: Councilmember Costello
Seconded by: Councilmember Porter
Final Vote: Favorable

Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

Major Issues Discussed

1. The Chairman call a hearing on all eight (8) Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriations **concurrently**; Council Bill 23-0457 through Council Bill 23-0464
 2. The Chairman went over the agency reports with the agency representatives.
 3. Several committee members asked questions pertaining to some of but not all of the Supplementals.
Council Bill 23-0459: Fire Department
 - o Why did the Department require so much overtime?
 - o Did not see the Department on the list provided for "being on budget!" What do we need to look for in the future as it pertains to the Department?
 - o Service 609 – will we be in the same position next year for this service?
 - The increase is alarming and of concern.
 - Can Service 609 be broken out more and/or do we need difference service items to show what is being expended?
 4. Vote taken on bill - Favorable.
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Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe.

Committee Vote:

J. Bullock:Yea
E. Costello:Yea
D. McCray:Yea
I. Schleifer: Excused Absence
P. Porter.:Yea

Marguerite M. Currin

Marguerite M. Currin, Committee Staff
cc: Bill File
OCS Electronic File

Date: December 8, 2023

BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE VOTING RECORD

DATE: Dec. 7, 2023

BILL #: 23-0459

BILL TITLE: Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation – Fire Department
- \$18,900,000

MOTION BY: Costello SECONDED BY: Porter

- FAVORABLE FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS
 UNFAVORABLE WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Bullock, John - Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Costello, Eric – Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
McCray, Danielle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schleifer, Isaac "Yitzy"	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Here</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Porter, Phylcia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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CHAIRPERSON: John T. Bullock

COMMITTEE STAFF: Marguerite M. Currin Initials: M.M.C.



Baltimore City Council Committee Hearing Attendance Record

Subject: Ordinances – Eight (8) Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriations	Bill #: 23-0457 thru 23- 0464
Committee: Finance and Performance	Chair: John T. Bullock
Date: Thursday, December 7, 2023	Time: Beginning at 3:01 PM
Location: Council Chambers	

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CHECK HERE TO TESTIFY

First Name	Last Name	Address / Organization / Email	<div style="font-size: 0.8em; color: red; font-weight: bold;">Testify</div>	What is your position on this bill?		Lobbyist: Are you registered in the City?*	
				For	Against	Yes	No
John	Doe	400 N. Holliday St. Johndoenbmore@yahoo.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
James	Matz	Fire Dept.					
James	Fischer	Fire Dept.					

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City of Baltimore

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Finance and Performance Committee

Thursday, December 7, 2023

3:03 PM Du Burns Council Chamber, 4th floor, City Hall, Phone:
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23-0459

CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

- Present** 4 - John T. Bullock, Chair Eric T. Costello, Chair Danielle N. McCray, and Chair
Phylcia Porter
- Excused** 1 - Chair Isaac "Yitzy" Schleifer

ITEM SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

23-0459

Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Fire Department - \$18,900,000

For the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$18,900,000 to the Fire Department - Service 609 (Emergency Medical Services), to provide funding for balancing the Fire Department budget for Fiscal Year 2023 due to costs associated with staff overtime payments and contractual services to provide Basic Life Service ambulance services; and providing for a special effective date.

Sponsors: City Council President (Administration)

A motion was made by member Costello, seconded by member Porter, that Ordinance 23-0459 be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Bullock, Costello, McCray, and Porter

ADJOURNMENT