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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 21-0138 - Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation – Fire Department - \$2,350,000		

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TO

The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400

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Position: Support

The Department of Finance is herein reporting on City Council Bill 21-0138 - Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Fire Department - \$2,350,000, the purpose of which is to increase the Fiscal Year 2021 appropriation of General Funds by \$2,350,000 to the Fire Department.

Background

The Baltimore City Charter requires that each agency ends the fiscal year in balance. The Department of Finance recommends appropriation transfers and supplementary appropriations when an agency is projected to close the fiscal year in deficit. This supplemental appropriation is required to meet the Charter mandate.

Fiscal Impact

The Fire Department incurred unexpected expenses in Fiscal 2021 related to the operation of 2 fire suppression companies. This supplemental appropriation of \$2,350,000 is necessary to accommodate these unbudgeted costs. Revenue from Red Light Fines will be used to cover these supplemental expenses.

Conclusion

This supplemental appropriation is required to meet the Charter mandate that annual agency expenditures do not exceed appropriations.

For the reasons stated above, the Department of Finance supports City Council Bill 21-0138.

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