

**CITY OF BALTIMORE**  
**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Council Bill 25-0099**

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Introduced by: The Council President  
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)  
Introduced and read first time: September 29, 2025  
Assigned to: Budget and Appropriations Committee  
Committee Report: Favorable  
Council action: Adopted  
Read second time: November 10, 2025

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**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING**

**Supplementary Municipal Telephone Exchange Fund Operating Appropriation –  
Municipal Telephone Exchange (Service 133 - Telecommunications) – \$1,400,000**

FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary Municipal Telephone Exchange Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$1,400,000 to the Municipal Telephone Exchange (Service 133 - Telecommunications), to provide funding for a series of one-time improvements to help upgrade the City’s Call Center, support ongoing telework technology, increase wireless phone security, and support upgrades at the Courthouse and Pratt Library; and providing for a special effective date.

BY authority of  
Article VI - Board of Estimates  
Section 8(b)(2)(i) and (c)  
Baltimore City Charter  
(1996 Edition)

**Recitals**

The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents a Municipal Telephone Exchange fund balance in excess of the revenue relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2026 was formulated.

The municipal agency responsible for the production of this additional revenue is the Office of the Comptroller.

On September 17, 2025, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City Council.

**EXPLANATION:** CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by  
amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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1       **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That  
2       \$1,400,000 shall be made available to the Municipal Telephone Exchange  
3       (Service 133 - Telecommunications) as a Municipal Telephone Exchange Fund Operating  
4       Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2026, to provide funding for a series of one-time improvements to  
5       help upgrade the City's Call Center, support ongoing telework technology, increase wireless  
6       phone security, and support upgrades at the Courthouse and Pratt Library. The source of revenue  
7       for this appropriation is a Municipal Telephone Exchange fund balance in excess of the amount  
8       from this source that was relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required  
9       to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

10       **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is  
11       enacted.

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Certified as duly passed this 24th day of November, 20 25



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President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,

this 25th day of November, 20 25



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Chief Clerk

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

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Mayor, Baltimore City