

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	FIRE & EMS – FY22 Other Local Option Sales Tax Reallocation
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to reallocate \$34,000 of the FY22 Other Local Option Sales Tax Fund budget of the Fire & EMS Department from the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) allocation to purchase Rescue Jet Skis for water rescue responses.
INITIATED BY:	Fire & EMS / Finance Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to reallocate \$34,000 of the FY22 Budget- Option Sales Tax Fund budget of the Fire & EMS Department from the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) allocation to purchase Rescue Jet Skis for water rescue responses.

Background: The FY22 Budget for the Other Local Option Sales Tax was approved on June 22, 2021, which included \$173,000 for allocation of replacement Personal Protective Equipment. As part of the FY22 budget, council approved specific capital outlay to be used for this purpose.

Analysis: Fire & EMS continues to work through the process of replacement of Personal Protective Equipment and establishing a plan to provide all employees a second set of gear as a part of our cancer prevention program. However, Fire & EMS has an immediate need to replace the two rescue jet skis used for water rescue and response. The current rescue jet skis have become unreliable for emergency response and the replacement need currently outweighs the PPE replacement program.

Financial Considerations: The balance of the Fire & EMS OLOST Funds can be reallocated to another Other LOST purpose. The approval of this reallocation of Other Local Option Sales Tax will allow Fire-EMS to remove the Rescue Jet Skis (\$34,000) from capital requests associated with FY23.

Legal Considerations: Council approval is required for the reallocation of the Other LOST budget.

Recommendations/Actions: Approve a resolution to reallocate \$34,000 of the FY22 Budget-Option Sales Tax Fund budget of the Fire & EMS Department from the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to purchase Rescue Jet Skis for water rescue responses.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION REALLOCATING \$34,000 OF THE FY22 OTHER LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX FUND BUDGET OF THE FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT FROM THE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT ALLOCATION TO PURCHASE A RESCUE JET SKIS FOR SWIFT WATER RESPONSE.

WHEREAS, the FY22 Other Local Option Sales Tax budget for the Fire & EMS included \$173,000 for the allocation of replacement Personal Protective Equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the immediate replacement for rescue jet skis has occurred; and,

WHEREAS, Fire & EMS requests to reallocate \$34,000 of the FY22 Budget-Other Local Option Sales Tax for the Fire & EMS from Personal Protective Equipment to purchase Rescue Jet Skis (\$34,000).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES:

That the Fire & EMS is hereby authorized to reallocate \$34,000 to purchase Rescue Jet Skis (\$34,000).

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the ____ day of ____, 2022 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor House voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.
Councilor Woodson voting	_____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, Mayor