

City Council Agenda Item

Subject:	Discussion and action regarding guidelines for Usage of Discretionary Ward Funds and Capital Outlay – Chief Executive Office
Submitted By:	Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper
Date Submitted:	November 29, 2022
Work Session Date:	December 05, 2022
Council Meeting Date:	December 05, 2022

Background/History:

We have been asked to review and prepare a set of guidelines regarding the usage of the discretionary funds and Capital Outlay Funds each Councilmember is entitled to spend in furtherance of their duties as a member of the City Council. These guidelines were requested to be brought forward for discussion during the FY22-23 budget talks in order to clearly define acceptable uses of Regular and Capital Outlay Ward Funds. Per Council's direction to the City Manager once a policy was approved Capital Outlay Ward Funds would be released to members.

In the September 6th City Council Meeting there was disagreement with the section regarding "donated funds and goods". This section has been removed from the policy, and the City Manager is seeking councils' direction, and/or approval on the guidelines as presented.

Cost: \$ 285,000

Financial Impact:

Budgeted for: X Yes No

Funds have been budgeted and place on hold

Action Requested from Council:

City Manager is seeking Council's Direction and/or approval of the policy.