

# AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council



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## STAFF

Nina Bodenhamer, City Give Director

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## SUBJECT

**First Reading of Ordinance No. 084, 2025, Designating as Non-Lapsing and Transferring the Prior Appropriation of Philanthropic Revenue Received Through City Give by Ordinance No. 055, 2025, for the Payment Assistance Fund.**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to request that the lapsing appropriation approved by Council on its passage of Ordinance No. 055, 2025, of \$443,600 in philanthropic revenue received through City Give, be designated by this Ordinance as non-lapsing. These miscellaneous gifts to various City departments support a variety of programs and services and are aligned with both the City's strategic priorities and the respective donors' designation.

In 2019, City Give, a formalized enterprise-wide initiative was launched to create a transparent, non-partisan governance structure for the acceptance and appropriations of charitable gifts.

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

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## BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The City has long been the beneficiary of local generosity and has a valuable role in our community's philanthropic landscape. Generosity is demonstrated in both large and modest gifts, each appreciated for its investment in the mission and the range of services the City strives to deliver. The respective donors have directed the City to use these generous donations for designated purposes within and to benefit City service areas and programs.

The item requests to properly designate as non-lapsing an appropriation approved by Ordinance No. 055, 2025, which appropriated revenues from donations received through City Give and authorized expenditures against those revenues for the Utilities Emergency Fund program within the Payment Assistance Fund. Both Section 2.5 of the City's Financial Management Policy 2 – Revenue, as approved by City Council, and the Administrative Philanthropic Governance Policy 6.04, adopted by the City Manager, (together the "City Give Policies"), provide the bases and processes for the responsible and efficient management of charitable donations to the City.

## **CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS**

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Upon adoption, this Ordinance will designate as non-lapsing the revenues appropriated in the current fiscal year by Ordinance No. 055, 2025 into the Light & Power Fund revenue for the purposes of the Utilities Emergency Fund program within the Payment Assistance Fund.

The donations shall be expended from the designated fund solely for the donors' directed intent. The funds have been received and accepted per City Give Policies.

In support of Ordinance No. 055, 2025, the City Manager determined that these appropriations were available and had not been previously unappropriated from their designated Light & Power Fund and did not cause the total amount appropriated in those Light and Power Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues during fiscal year 2025. For this item, the City Manager has recommended the transfer of \$443,600 from the lapsing account to the non-lapsing account in the Light & Power Fund and determined that the purpose for which the transferred funds are to be expended remains unchanged.

## **BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

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None.

## **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

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None.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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1. Ordinance No. 084, 2025