

ORDINANCE NO. 120, 2022  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
APPROPRIATING PRIOR YEAR RESERVES IN THE GENERAL FUND AND  
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FUND FOR SNOW REMOVAL

WHEREAS, the City established a snow removal budget of \$1,900,000 for 2022; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 snow removal budget already has been exceeded by \$1,100,000; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of snowstorms in October through December of 2022, snow removal costs for 2022 are projected to exceed the 2021 budget by \$2,100,000, for a total of \$4,220,800; and

WHEREAS, the actual costs of snow removal by the City have exceeded annual budget allocations on a yearly basis for more than ten years; and

WHEREAS, two main factors in the increase of snow costs are extremely cold temperatures and large storms, and the presence of extremely cold temperatures requires the use of greater amounts of de-icer material to keep roads safe; and

WHEREAS, the City's need for more de-icer material accounts for nearly a third of the anticipated overspend; and

WHEREAS, large storms such as the one the City experienced in March 2021 drive up costs due to plowing residential roads, removal of downtown snow via truck, and increased costs for sidewalk snow removal; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Ordinance is to appropriate \$200,000 of Transportation Services Fund prior year reserves, \$1,920,694 from General Fund prior year reserves, and \$125,000 from Harmony Road Fund prior year reserves to cover costs already incurred and any additional costs necessary for snow removal and associated costs for the remainder of 2022; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation benefits the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Fort Collins and serves the public purpose of providing community-wide snow removal; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon the recommendation of the City Manager, to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year such funds for expenditure as may be available from reserves accumulated in prior years, notwithstanding that such reserves were not previously appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the appropriations described herein and determined that these appropriations are available and previously unappropriated from the General Fund, the Transportation Services Fund, and the Harmony Road Reserves in the Transportation Services Fund, as applicable, and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund

and the Transportation Services Fund, as applicable, to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in these funds during this fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That there is hereby appropriated from prior year reserves in the General Fund the sum of ONE MILLION NINE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$1,920,694) to be expended in the General Fund for snow removal.

Section 3. That there is hereby appropriated from prior year reserves in the Transportation Services Fund the sum of TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000) to be expended in the Transportation Services Fund for snow removal.

Section 4. That there is hereby appropriated from prior year reserves in the Harmony Road Reserves in the Transportation Services Fund the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000) to be expended in the Transportation Services Fund for snow removal.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 1st day of November, A.D. 2022, and to be presented for final passage on the 15th day of November, A.D. 2022.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 15th day of November, A.D. 2022.

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Mayor

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City Clerk