

TITLE	DATE	ORIGINATING DEPT./DIV.
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2017 RETAINED RISK FUND BUDGET, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED THEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO	October 1, 2016	Executive Office SPONSOR OR COUNCIL MEMBER CAO

PURPOSE

To adopt the 2017 Retained Risk Fund Budget, in accordance with State law and City Charter.

This Ordinance or Resolution will have direct impact on Council District: **All**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The 2017 budget for the Retained Risk Internal Service Fund is \$4,280,000 up 130% from 2016. This increase is attributable to the successful closing of numerous prior file claims from as far back as 2006 which affected the city’s actuary position (The City Attorney’s office has collected \$6,776,970 in claims owed to the City from previous years). General Fund contributions are currently budgeted at \$6,762,200. The liability reserve and several re-insurance policies are the city’s protection against large awards resulting from liability lawsuits. Because the costs associated with the Retained Risk Fund (spending on claims, lawsuits and legal representation) affect the General Fund balance, the city aggressively seeks to reduce these costs whenever possible.

TIMETABLE

Introduction: **October 11, 2016**

Final Passage: **By: December 15, 2016**

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

A public hearing must be held on this budget for adoption by Council

FINANCES

SOURCE OF FUNDS

CONCLUSION

Approval of this ordinance is recommended.

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ORDINANCE NO. ____ OF 2016

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BY:

WHEREAS, Article 7 of the Charter of the City of Shreveport requires the adoption of a comprehensive operating budget for the year 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has created a Retained Risk Internal Service Fund whose purpose is to provide funding for property damage, workers' compensation and general liability claims made against the City of Shreveport.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that:

1. Estimated Receipts - The estimated receipts of the Retained Risk Internal Service Fund for 2017 are hereby established as follows:

Estimated Fund Balance as of 1/1/2017	- 5,902,200
Transfer from General Fund	6,762,200
Transfer from Water and Sewerage Fund	2,500,000
Transfer from Airports Fund	229,000
Transfer from Solid Waste Fund	151,000
Interest Income	40,000
Insurance Subrogation	500,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	0
TOTAL	- \$4,280,000

2. Appropriations - The funds set forth in the following classes of expenditures are hereby appropriated out of the Retained Risk Internal Service Fund's receipts for the year 2017:

Personal Services	\$ 2,132,000
Materials and Supplies	5,300
Contractual Services	28,500
Other Charges	8,005,100
Liability Reserves	- 5,895,100
Improvements and Equipment	4,200
TOTAL	- \$ 4,280,000

3. The Retained Risk Internal Service Fund budget presented to the City Council by the Mayor by October 1, 2016, as amended by subsequent action by this Council, be and the same is hereby adopted.

4. Administration - The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all contracts, deeds, grant documents and other legal instruments necessary to expend or receive funds herein authorized, subject to the provisions of Section 26-174 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the settlement of claims against the City.
5. Donation of City Funds - No funds herein appropriated shall be donated, loaned or pledged, and no expenditures for such purposes shall be authorized except in accordance with Section 26-53 of the Code of Ordinances, as it exists now or may hereafter be amended.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications; and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance will be effective on January 1, 2017.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office