

**Additional Proposed Legislation for the
December 17, 2024 City Council Meeting**

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**Budget, Finance & Governance
Introductory No.**

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December 4, 2024

TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: Budget Amendment – Police Accountability
Board relocation

Council Priority: Creating and Sustaining a Culture of
Vibrancy

Transmitted herewith for your approval is legislation amending the 2024-25 Budget of Cash Capital by appropriating unbudgeted revenue to the City in the amount of \$500,000 which represents the proceeds of a New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) grant initially appropriated in the 2021-22 Budget but not actually received until November, 2024.

In 2021, as the Police Accountability Board (PAB) was being formed, the City was notified that a \$500,000 grant would be forthcoming from DCJS to support the establishment of an investigatory process for civilian investigations into police misconduct. This grant was initially appropriated in the 2021-22 Budget but remained unspent pending an official grant agreement from DCJS. In January, 2024, a final grant agreement was received and eligible PAB expenditures for the grant term July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 were claimed. These funds were received and resulted in unbudgeted revenue for 2024-25.

The PAB is currently leasing space on a month to month basis at 245 East Main Street. After a comprehensive review of future locations, it was determined that the PAB would relocate to a City facility, the Honorable Loretta C. Scott Center for Human Services located at 57 St. Paul Street. The Cash Capital from this budget amendment will be used to provide initial funding to renovate space, provide essential furnishings, and pay related moving expenditures to 57 St. Paul Street. The total estimated cost to move PAB to 57 St. Paul Street is approximately \$1,035,000. It is estimated that the remaining expenditures will be funded through either the 2024-25 or 2025-26 Budget of City Council contingent upon its approval.

Respectfully submitted

Miguel A. Meléndez, Jr.
City Council President

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Ordinance No.

Amending the 2024-25 Budget relating to the relocation of the Police Accountability Board offices

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Rochester as follows:

Section 1. The Council hereby authorizes the receipt and use of \$500,000 in anticipated reimbursements from New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to fund renovations, essential furnishings, and related moving expenditures to relocate the Police Accountability Board offices to 57 St. Paul Street.

Section 2. Ordinance No. 2024-200, the 2024-25 Budget of the City of Rochester, as amended, is hereby further amended by increasing the revenue estimates and appropriations to Cash Capital by \$500,000, which amount is hereby appropriated from the funds authorized in Section 1 herein.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.



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December 5, 2024 COUNCIL

TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: Commissioners of Deeds

Transmitted herewith for your approval is legislation related to the appointment of Commissioners of Deeds. The proposed legislation establishes the number of Commissioners of Deeds at no more than 250 per year during calendar years 2025 and 2026. Since Fiscal Year 2004-05, not more than 175 have been issued per year, so the 250 annual maximum is expected to be sufficient to meet demand.

Respectfully submitted,

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Resolution No.

Resolution establishing the maximum number of Commissioners of Deeds

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Rochester as follows:

Section 1. During calendar years 2025 and 2026, there shall be appointed no more than 250 Commissioners of Deeds annually.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.