

RESOLUTION NO. 09-180

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, APPROVING A BUDGET TRANSFER OF \$89,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND CITY MANAGER OPERATING CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TO THE GENERAL FUND SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD PROGRAM ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

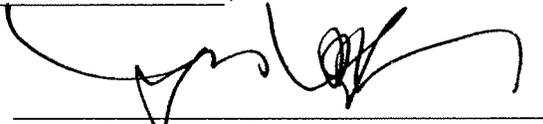
Section 1: That a budget transfer of \$89,000 from the general fund city manager operating contingency account to the general fund school crossing guard program account is hereby approved.

Section 2: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 21st day of July, 2009.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission on July 22, 2009.

Filed with the Clerk July 22, 2009.



MORGAN MCPHERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager
FROM: Mark Z. Finigan, Assistant City Manager - Administration
DATE: June 26, 2009
SUBJECT: Budget Amendment – School Crossing Guard Program

Action statement:

Approval of a resolution authorizing the budget transfer of \$89,000 from the General Fund City Manager Operating Contingency Account to the General Fund School Crossing Guard Program Account.

Background:

In early October 2008 City Staff notified MCSO (manager of the School Crossing Guard Program for schools falling in the City limits) that the City would like for them to move forward with the elimination of six manned school guard locations based on the inputs of School Board, MSCO and KWPD representatives. The six locations that were eliminated are as follows:

- May Sands
- Reynolds
- Mary Immaculate
- Glynn Archer - Eliminate one (1) of the three (3) guards. It was my understanding that the Seminary/White location would be the most likely location for elimination.
- Grace Lutheran
- HOB - Eliminate one (1) of the two (2) guards. It was my understanding that the Catherine Street location would be the most likely location for elimination.

It should be noted that based on a Florida Office of Attorney General Opinion on the methodology used for determining a manned versus unmanned school guard location, none of current manned locations in the City of Key West required manning. However, it was collectively decided that locations currently manned, and not recommended for elimination, should remain manned because of the varying/unique traffic patterns and volume that each of these locations present. Our discussions with MCSO regarding the six locations to be eliminated indicated that

sufficient protective unmanned measures were in place (signage/stripping etc) to meet mandated levels of unmanned school crossing guard safety requirements.

The eliminations become effective the first week in December 2008.

Please be aware that the elimination of six locations would only result in a \$250K annual program being reduced to a \$160K annual program for Fiscal Year 2008. Only \$82K was appropriated for FY 08-09 – the thinking was 1/3 City, 1/3 County and 1/3 School Board for a full \$250K program. As discussions developed with all concerned parties it was clear the City of Key West would be the only “player” in the funding of a School Crossing Guard Program. It was at that point the City attempted to mitigate the budgetary impact by making eliminations that were safety supported. Therefore, we are still facing a budget shortfall. The reason we need \$171K and not \$160K is the delay of two (2) months into FY 09 in implementation of the six (6) eliminations.

Financial Impact:

City Manager’s Annual Operating Contingency for FY 09 was budgeted at \$258,750. After the \$89,000 transfer, there will be approximately \$66K left for the balance of the Fiscal Year.

Recommendation:

Approve a resolution authorizing the budget transfer of \$89,000 from the General Fund City Manager Operating Contingency Account to the General Fund School Crossing Guard Program Account.