

City of Waltham

Jeannette A. McCarthy Mayor



May 9, 2018

TO: The City Council

RE: Appropriation Request – Fire – Medical Services

Dear Councillors:

I respectfully request an appropriation in the amount of \$35,000.00 from Unreserved Fund Balance to account #001-220-5200-5306 Fire-Medical Services. These funds will be used to pay the medical bills for firefighters who are injured in the line of duty for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Attached is a copy of a letter that was received from the Acting Chief of the Department explaining the reasons for the additional funding. Acting Chief MacInnis will be available to answer questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

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JAM/ccb Enclosures

cc: Acting Chief Thomas MacInnis



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FROM THE DESK OF ACTING CHIEF THOMAS MACINNIS

May 7, 2018

Honorable Mayor Jeannette McCarthy Waltham City Hall 610 Main Street Waltham, MA. 02452

Honorable Mayor,

I respectfully request a transfer in the amount of \$35,000. Into the Fire Department Medical Account. This request is necessary to pay current and anticipated injury related medical bills incurred during this fiscal year.

This year, we have had numerous on the job injuries, requiring surgeries, hospital stays, medical tests and evaluations, office visits, physical therapy, etc. Three of our members are out long term. One member has been out since the beginning of this fiscal year with a knee injury, the 2nd has been out since December with a shoulder injury and the 3rd has been out since January with a back injury. We are still receiving bills for their care. The other injuries have required shorter term medical assistance.

Also, I just received notice of three new injuries, which are still being evaluated.

As of today, we have gone over our FY-18 budgeted amount by \$4,144.93. We have several medical bills waiting to be paid, and many more are expected.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

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Thomas C. MacInnis

Acting Chief of Department

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