



# City of Waltham

*Jeannette A. McCarthy*  
*Mayor*

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May 4, 2017

TO: The City Council  
RE: Appropriation Request Police Dispatch Overtime

Dear Councillors:

I respectfully request an appropriation in the amount of \$100,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance to account #001-215-5100-5131 Dispatch-Overtime. These funds will be used to pay overtime expenses for FY2017.

Attached is a copy of a letter that was received from the Police Chief explaining the reasons for the need of additional overtime funding. Chief MacPherson will be available to answer questions concerning this request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jeannette A. McCarthy

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Enclosure

cc: Chief MacPherson



# Waltham Police Department

"Protecting and Serving with Pride"



Keith D. MacPherson  
Chief of Police

May 3, 2017

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

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

Dear Mayor McCarthy:

I hereby, respectfully request an additional appropriation of one hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$160,000.00) for overtime expenses for the emergency telecommunications dispatch center, *account # 001-215-5100-5131 – Dispatch Overtime.*

Due to an inordinate number of days caused by medical absences, coupled with an unusual amount of vacation days used by retiring members, we have exceeded the allocation of overtime funding for FY2017 by more than \$133,325.00, and will continue to be profoundly in the red through June 30, 2017, in order to provide suitable coverage.

Though we attempt to submit a reasonable fiscal request for overtime, with the hope we would not need additional funding to make it through the fiscal year, this is the type of expenditure that cannot be predicted or foreseen, which is why I must now request this additional appropriation.

Included in this amount is approximately \$22,400.00 for dispatch personnel terminating employment during the second half of this fiscal year that will have caused the payout of double longevities for four or five employees, which was not budgeted for.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Keith D. MacPherson".

Keith D. MacPherson  
Chief of Police

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c: Paul Centofanti, Auditor  
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