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Legislation Text

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ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE # 1AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFER #308-21-1 TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND YOUTH SERVICES, OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS/PUBLIC WORKS SALARY ACCOUNTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 EACH FOR A TOTAL OF \$100,000 TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, MISCELLANOUS EXPENSE ACCOUNT TO FUND THE MAYORS COMMUNITY CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM PLANNING STUDY

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 3 of the City Charter and Section 2-386 (1) of the Code of General Ordinances requires the approval of the Board of Alders for the transfer of funds within the General Fund Operating Budget as adopted; and

WHEREAS, The City's Public Safety Answering Point ("PSAP") answers nearly 300,000 calls for services annually many of thousands of which are calls focused on individuals with emotional and mental health challenges, addiction challenges, and are routed to patrol officers in the New Haven Police Services Department who may not always be the best solution to the problem on the service call; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor's Office and the City's Community Services Administrator have begun an initiative to create a Community Crisis Response Team to be designed specifically to take and manage direct calls for service to those that are suffering from addiction issues and mental health crises which would normally be answered by New Haven Police Services solely; and

WHEREAS, The estimated expenditure on the planning study for Fiscal Year 2020-21 is \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, The funds for the Community Crisis Response Team planning study are available through a transfer from various City agencies; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Recreation And Youth Services, Office of The Assessor, Department of Health, And Department of Parks/Public Works are projected to lapse salary due to vacancies within each department; and,

WHEREAS, With the projected Salary surplus in each City agency listed above, \$25,000 from The Department of Recreation and Youth, \$25,000 from The Office of the Assessor, \$25,000 from the Health Department, and \$25,000 from The Department of Parks/Public Works are necessary to cover the expenditure for the creation of the Community Crisis Response Team for Fiscal Year 2020-21.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the New Haven Board of Alders that Transfer #308-21-1 be approved to transfer \$25,000 from 1-309-1010-50110, \$25,000 from 1-139-1010-50110, \$25,000 from 1-301-1010-50110, and \$25,000 from 1-504-1630-50110, in the amount of \$100,000 be transferred to 1-308-1010-56699 to cover the expenditure for the creation of the Community Crisis

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Response Team for Fiscal Year 2020-21