

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MAY 28, 2019

The Howard County Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President James Papacek, and Council Members Stanley Ortman, John Roberts, Jeffrey Stout, Leslie Fatum and Brian Alexander. Also, in attendance were County Attorney Alan Wilson and Auditor Martha Lake.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Jerry Asher and conducted by President James Papacek.

Councilman Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance and President Papacek read a historical prayer written by George Washington, yet applicable today.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the April 23, 2019 meeting, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved on a motion made by Councilwoman Fatum. Councilman Roberts seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF OPENING COMMENTS:

President Papacek welcomed Jamie Bolser who observed the Council meeting and will be officially sworn in as the new Councilwoman by the June 25th Council Meeting.

Auditor Lake addressed the additional appropriation and her meeting with Dustin DeLong this morning explaining that several items will be omitted from the additional appropriations until finalized with the State of Indiana.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE NO. 2019-HCCO-12 – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2019:

Auditor Martha Lake read Ordinance No. 2019-HCCO-12-Additional Appropriations one time, and the ordinance was acted upon as follows:

	Additional Appropriations	Requested	Approved
<u>1000</u>	<u>HOWARD COUNTY GENERAL FUND:</u>		
<u>0201</u>	<u>Howard County Superior Court I:</u>		
32640	Drug Screening	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
	<u>Total Superior Court I:</u>	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
<u>0202</u>	<u>Howard County Superior Court II:</u>		
32640	Drug Screening	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
	<u>Total Superior Court II:</u>	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
<u>0210</u>	<u>Howard County Magistrate Office:</u>		
11318	Court Reporter	\$36,012.00	Tabled
23600	Office Supplies	\$6,000.00	Tabled
32120	Postage	\$2,500.00	Tabled
32410	Printing	\$400.00	Tabled
31210	Maint. & Service Contracts	\$1,250.00	Tabled
32530	Repair Equipment	\$400.00	Tabled
31110	Continuing Education	\$800.00	Tabled

		Requested	Approved
	Additional Appropriations		
32600	Dues & Description	\$300.00	Tabled
47210	Equipment	\$500.00	Tabled
47240	Law Books	\$500.00	Tabled
	<u>Total Magistrate Office:</u>	\$48,662.00	Tabled
<u>0235</u>	<u>Howard County Adult Probation Dept.:</u>		
11906	Probation Officer (CL)	\$1,000.00	Tabled
11113	HD Director (BD)	\$2,825.00	Tabled
11911	Probation Officer (CB)	\$4,000.00	Tabled
12012	Probation Officer (SH)	\$2,167.00	Tabled
12013	Probation Officer (ML)	\$5,000.00	Tabled
12013	Probation Officer (AR)	\$5,000.00	Tabled
11424	Administrative Assistant	\$1,000.00	Tabled
	<u>Total Adult Probation Department</u>	20,992.00	Tabled
	<u>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REQUESTS:</u>	\$94,654.00	\$25,000.00
<u>1216</u>	<u>Howard County Ineligible Homestead Fund:</u>		
31200	Contract Services	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
	<u>Total Ineligible Homestead Fund:</u>	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
<u>1122</u>	<u>Howard County Community Corrections Fund:</u>		
11113	Director (Brian Day)	\$25,500.00	Tabled
11283	Administrative Assistant	\$19,500.00	Tabled
12201	Field Officer – Overtime	\$2,000.00	Tabled
12012	Case Mgr.	\$18,500.00	Tabled
15230	Insurance	\$3,352.00	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$2,636.50	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$1,415.50	Tabled
23600	Office Supplies	\$600.00	Tabled
23401	Food	\$450.00	Tabled
23710	Other Supplies	\$1,500.00	Tabled
32640	Drug Screen	\$1,000.00	Tabled
32410	Printing	\$200.00	Tabled
35640	Equipment Rental/Lease	\$65,057.00	Tabled
32600	Dues & Subscriptions	\$200.00	Tabled
32130	Travel & Training	\$1,000.00	Tabled
	<u>Total Community Corrections:</u>	\$142,911.00	Tabled
<u>1123</u>	<u>Howard County Community Corrections Transition Fund:</u>		
11811	Case Manager (3)	\$19,100.00	Tabled
15230	Insurance	\$12,000.00	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$3,010.00	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$1,700.00	Tabled
	<u>Total Comm. Corrections Transition Fund:</u>	\$35,810.00	Tabled
<u>2515</u>	<u>Howard County Community Corrections Project Income Fund:</u>		
12013	Case Manager (Loveless)	\$16,078.00	Tabled
12013	Case Manager (Richardson)	\$16,078.00	Tabled
11919	Facilitator (Duncan)	\$9,200.00	Tabled
11354	Problem Solving Coordinator (Cottrell)	\$13,488.00	Tabled
11424	Reception/Data (SB PT)	\$10,000.00	Tabled
12201	Field Officer (3)	\$53,000.00	Tabled
12201	Field Officer PT (3)	\$21,000.00	Tabled
11113	Director of Community Supervision	\$12,500.00	Tabled
11800	Overtime	\$12,000.00	Tabled

		Requested	Approved
Additional Appropriations			
15230	Insurance	\$80,000.00	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$27,000.00	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$15,000.00	Tabled
23600	Office Supplies	\$900.00	Tabled
23401	Food	\$800.00	Tabled
23710	Cleaning Supplies	\$300.00	Tabled
23210	Gas Oil Lube	\$2,500.00	Tabled
25200	Garage & Motor Repair	\$3,000.00	Tabled
23306	Wearing Apparel	\$600.00	Tabled
23802	Drug Testing Supplies	\$4,000.00	Tabled
23701	Program and Teaching Materials	\$2,000.00	Tabled
31200	Quest/PBS	\$3,000.00	Tabled
32160	Vehicle Telephones	\$7,500.00	Tabled
32410	Printing	\$300.00	Tabled
32120	Postage	\$450.00	Tabled
32600	Dues/Subscriptions	\$300.00	Tabled
31210	Maintenance	\$3,750.00	Tabled
35640	Equipment Leasing	\$35,000.00	Tabled
32130	Travel & Training	\$10,000.00	Tabled
47210	Equipment	\$7,500.00	Tabled
47230	Vehicles	\$25,000.00	Tabled
<u>Total Comm. Correction Project Income Fund:</u>		\$392,244.00	Tabled
<u>2523 Howard County Comm. Corr. Work Release Project Income Fund:</u>			
11700	PT/Detention Officer	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
23401	Food	\$15,300.00	\$15,300.00
23360	Institutional Supplies	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00
<u>Total Work Release – Project Income Fund:</u>		\$60,800.00	\$60,800.00
<u>2523 Howard County Comm. Corr. Work Release Project Income Fund:</u>			
11244	Director (JL)	\$15,500.00	Tabled
11113	Asst. Director (OB)	\$16,250.00	Tabled
11906	FT/CO	\$15,950.00	Tabled
11700	PT/CO	\$50,000.00	Tabled
15230	Insurance	\$60,000.00	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$6,000.00	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$10,000.00	Tabled
23600	Office Supplies	\$2,000.00	Tabled
23401	Food	\$12,000.00	Tabled
23360	Institutional Supplies	\$6,000.00	Tabled
23210	Gas, Oil, Lubrication	\$2,000.00	Tabled
32160	Telephone	\$9,000.00	Tabled
32120	Postage	\$300.00	Tabled
32202	Utilities	\$10,000.00	Tabled
31210	Maintenance	\$25,000.00	Tabled
32130	Travel & Training	\$6,000.00	Tabled
47230	Vehicles	\$10,000.00	Tabled
41730	Office Equipment	\$20,000.00	Tabled
47220	Computer Hardware	\$10,000.00	Tabled
47210	Equipment	\$10,000.00	Tabled
<u>Total Work Release Project Income:</u>		\$296,000.00	Tabled

Additional Appropriations		Requested	Approved
<u>9121</u>	<u>Howard County Adult Probation DOC Grant Fund:</u>		
11242	Probation Officer	\$18,500.00	Tabled
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15230	Insurance	\$13,608.69	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$3,348.16	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$6,606.65	Tabled
	<u>Total Adult Probation DOC Grant Fund:</u>	<u>\$60,653.50</u>	<u>Tabled</u>
<u>9126</u>	<u>Howard County Comm. Corrections Work Release HB1006:</u>		
47210	Equipment	\$234,265.36	\$234,265.36
	<u>Total Comm. Corrections Work Release HB 1006:</u>	<u>\$234,265.36</u>	<u>\$234,265.36</u>
<u>8107</u>	<u>Howard County Sheriff – Operation Pullover Fund:</u>		
11305	First Deputy	\$7,392.00	\$7,392.00
	<u>Total Operation Pullover Fund:</u>	<u>\$7,392.00</u>	<u>\$7,392.00</u>
<u>8139</u>	<u>Howard County Sheriff – Non-Motorist Fund:</u>		
11305	First Deputy (Payroll)	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
	<u>Total Non-Motorist Fund:</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
	<u>Total Additional Appropriations All Funds Requested/Approved:</u>	<u>\$1,376,229.86</u>	<u>\$378,957.36</u>
	<u>Appropriation Reductions</u>		
<u>1000</u>	<u>Howard County General Fund</u>		
<u>0235</u>	<u>Howard County Adult Probation Department:</u>		
11902	Probation Officer (DD)	(\$12,992.00)	Tabled
11244	Probation Officer (JL)	(\$8,000.00)	Tabled
	<u>Total Adult Probation Department:</u>	<u>(\$20,992.00)</u>	<u>Tabled</u>
	<u>Total Reduction General Fund:</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	Tabled
	<u>Total Reduction All Funds Requested/Approved:</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	Tabled

SUPERIOR COURT I & SUPERIOR COURT II:

Community Supervision Coordinator Dustin DeLong addressed the Council with the request for Additional Appropriations for account line 1000.32640.000.0201, Drug Screenings for Superior Court I, problem solving court in the sum of \$12,000.00 and Superior Court II, Veterans and Mental Health Court account line 1000.32640.000.0202 in the sum of \$13,000.00. Mr. DeLong expressed to the Council that funds are needed to provide mandatory drug screening where many individuals in the county are indigent and unable to pay these costs associated with their probation. Councilman Ortman made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriations for Superior Court I account line 1000.32640.000.0201 in the sum of \$12,000.00 and Superior Court II account line 1000.32640.000.0202 in the sum of \$13,000.00, as requested. Councilman Alexander seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

SUPERIOR COURT III:

Judge Tate was not present to discuss the Additional Appropriations for the Magistrate’s Office at this time. President Papacek called for a motion to Table this until the June 25th meeting in order to address any questions or concerns with Judge Tate. Councilman Roberts made a motion to table the request for additional appropriations for the Magistrate Office budget line items. Councilman Ortman seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COMMUNITY SUPERVISION:

Community Supervision Coordinator Dustin DeLong requested that several items be tabled for the June 25, 2019 meeting due to information needed from the state to continue the request. President Papacek entertained a motion to table the additional appropriations request for Howard County Adult Probation General Fund Dept. 0235 in its entirety until the June 25, 2019 Council Meeting. Councilman Stout made a motion to table the Howard County Community Probation requests for additional appropriations until the June 25th meeting. Councilman Roberts seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

AUDITOR:

Auditor Lake expressed to the Council that the Auditors Office has contracted with SBS Group Information Records Association in the sum of \$60,000.00 in order to scan claims for ease of accessibility. The State of Indiana requires these records to be retained for a period of ten years. The Auditor's Office is scanning eight years prior and two years forward to meet these requirements. Auditor Lake is requesting additional appropriations for the Ineligible Homestead Fund account line 1216.31200.000.0000 in the sum of \$50,000.00, as \$10,000.00 is already available in contract services in the Ineligible Homestead Fund. Ms. Lake stated that there is currently \$370,000.00 in this fund. Councilwoman Fatum made a motion to approve the additional appropriations in the sum of \$50,000.00 for the ineligible homestead fund account line 1000.31200.1216.0000. Councilman Ortman seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS:

President Papacek entertained a motion to table funds 1122, Howard County Community Corrections; 1123, Howard County Community Transition; 2515 Howard County Community Correction Project Income; 2523 Howard County Community Work Release Project Income; 9121 Howard County Adult Probation DOC Grant Fund; 9126, and appropriation reductions in the Howard County Adult Probation Department account lines 1000.11902.000.0235 and 1000.11244.000.0235, to allow time for Dustin DeLong to obtain needed information from the State of Indiana. Councilman Stout made a motion to table the funds as requested. Councilman Alexander seconded the motion, and the motion carried. For the sake of clarity, account lines 2523.11700, 23401 and 23360 were not tabled.

Community Supervision Coordinator Dustin DeLong, addressed the request for additional appropriations for account lines 2523.11700.000.0000 PT/Detention Officer; 2523.23401.000.0000 Food; and 2323.23360.000.0000 Institutional Supplies. Mr. DeLong stated the need for the additional funds is to pay the Detention Officers for their overtime. The funds needed in account line 2523.23401.000.0000, food, are necessary to provide meals to those individuals who are indigent and unable to obtain a hot meal while on work release. Mr. DeLong informed the Council that their department is currently purchasing approximately 1,000 meals from the Sheriff's department in order to provide meals to those individuals on the work release program. Mr. DeLong is searching into other methods to produce meals for the work release program as the use of the Jails kitchen creates a strain on their facility. In short, Mr. DeLong stated that the Institutional Supplies are much needed for cleaning of the facilities. Councilwoman Fatum made a motion to approve the additional appropriations for Howard County Work Release account lines 2523.11700.000.0000 in the sum of \$40,000.00; 2523.23401.000.0000 in the sum of \$15,300.00; and 2523.23360.000.0000 in the sum of \$5,500.00. Councilman Roberts seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS HB1006:

Community Supervision Coordinator Dustin DeLong addressed the Community Corrections HB 1006, requesting additional appropriations in account line 9126.47210.000.0000 in the sum of \$234,265.36. Mr. DeLong addressed the request in the equipment line item stating it is a request for a carry-over from last year's budget as the program only ran for 6 months; however, funds were allocated for a year. This appropriation will purchase a body scanner for the work release center, beds for the female pods, and camera systems for the new female pod and existing male pod. The State of Indiana and the Howard Community Corrections Advisory Board have both approved the carry-over of these funds. Mr. DeLong stated that he is seeking additional grant funds from the State of Indiana to offset the costs of the new female pod. Mr. DeLong stated that the State of Indiana has granted an extension of time to the end of the year where they will then change grant cycles to January to December rather than some being a fiscal year of July to June. The women's pod will house 40 females, and the existing male pod currently houses 80 men. Councilman Alexander made a motion to approve the additional appropriations for the Community Corrections HB 1006. Councilman Stout seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

SHERIFF:

Justin Markley from the Sheriff's Department, who is in charge of the Operation Pull-over and Non-Motorist Grants stated that the State has awarded a Grant in the sum of \$7,392.00 for operation pull-over. The original grant request was for \$13,000.00; however, with so many other entities requesting grant funds, the grant allotments were reduced by the State of Indiana. Mr. Markley stated that the operation pull-over program is designed in four of what they refer to as 'blitzes'. These are programs set aside for specific focus points. For example, blitz 96 - "Safe Family Travel", focuses on DUI and Seatbelt enforcement; blitz 97 - "DUI Impairment" around St. Patrick's Day; blitz 98 - "Click-It or Ticket" seat belt checks; and the final blitz 99 being "Sobriety Check points" which are done in August. Due to circumstances beyond the department's control, the State of Indiana has not yet reimbursed the department for the officer's overtime salary for these programs. The funds from the infractions obtained from these programs goes back into the county.

Mr. Markley addressed the Non-Motorist Grant which the State of Indiana allotted \$3,000.00. These funds are utilized through bicycle policing in the community during Festivals and through various neighborhoods. This is an opportunity to make their presence known in the communities in Howard County and have conversations with the public. Mr. Markley stated that although he applied for the same grant this year that the State reduced the funds to \$1,500.00 due to the many requests by other entities. This year he plans to utilize the funds to provide bicycle policing at the Russiaville event, which will be held this weekend. Councilman Roberts commented that he appreciates the positive impact that the department makes in the bicycle policing program. Mr. Markley stated that the State of Indiana has a new Grant called "SAVE" which are funds allocated specifically for "Stop Arm Violator Enforcement" which he will be presenting to the Commissioners in the coming month. This could be utilized during bus travel hours to ensure the safety of the children boarding and un-boarding the buses throughout the community. Councilman Alexander made a motion to approve the funds in the Howard County Sheriff Operation pull-over fund in the amount of \$7,392.00 and the Non-Motorist fund in the amount of \$1,500.00 as presented. Councilwoman Fatum seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OR ORDINANCE NO. 2019-HCCR-04 – TRANSFERS:

Auditor Martha Lake read Ordinance No. 2019-HCCR-09-Transfers one time, and the ordinance was acted upon as follows:

	Transfer From	To	Amount	Allowed
<u>1000</u>	<u>Howard County General Fund:</u>			
<u>0002</u>	<u>Howard County Auditor's Office</u>			
11303	First Deputy	11404 Second Deputy	\$1,046.00	\$1,046.00

AUDITOR:

Auditor Martha Lake explained to the Council the changes made in the Auditor's Office where the need to transfer funds was necessary. Auditor Lake also stated that there was a position eliminated in the office and she would be addressing this at a later time after evaluations. Councilman Stout made a motion to approve the transfer as read, from account line 1000.11303.000.0002 to account line 1000.11404.000.0002 in the sum of \$1,046.00. Councilman Ortman seconded the request, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE NO. 2019-HCCO-13-AMENDING SALARY ORD. FOR 2019:

Auditor Martha Lake read Ordinance No. 2019-HCCO-13-Amending Salary Ordinance one time, and the ordinance was acted upon as follows:

	Salary Amendments	Requested	Approved
<u>1000</u>	<u>Howard County General Fund:</u>		
<u>0002</u>	<u>Howard County Auditor's Office</u>		
11303	First Deputy	(\$1,046.00)	(\$1,46.00)
11404	Second Deputy	\$1,046.00	\$1,046.00
<u>0210</u>	<u>Howard County Magistrate Office:</u>		
11318	Court Reporter	\$36,012.00	Tabled
<u>0235</u>	<u>Howard County Adult Probation Dept.:</u>		
11906	Probation Officer (CL)	\$1,000.00	Tabled
11113	HD Director (BD)	\$2,825.00	Tabled
11811	Probation Officer (CB)	\$4,000.00	Tabled
12012	Probation Officer (SH)	\$2,167.00	Tabled
12013	Probation Officer (ML)	\$5,000.00	Tabled
12013	Probation Officer (AR)	\$5,000.00	Tabled
11424	Administrative Assistant	\$1,000.00	Tabled
<u>0235</u>	<u>Howard County Adult Probation Department:</u>		
11902	Probation Officer	(\$12,992.00)	Tabled
11244	Probation Officer	(\$8,000.00)	Tabled
<u>1122</u>	<u>Howard County Community Corrections Fund:</u>		
11113	Director (Brian Day)	\$25,500.00	Tabled
11283	Administrative Asst.	\$19,500.00	Tabled
12201	Field Officer – Overtime	\$2,000.00	Tabled
12012	Case Mgr.	\$18,500.00	Tabled
15230	Insurance	\$3,352.00	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$2,636.50	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$1,415.50	Tabled

	Salary Amendments	Requested	Approved
<u>1123</u>	<u>Howard County Community Correction Transition Fund:</u>		
11811	Case Manager (CB)	\$19,100.00	Tabled
15230	Insurance	\$12,000.00	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$3,010.00	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$1,700.00	Tabled
<u>2515</u>	<u>Howard County Community Correction Proj. Income Fund:</u>		
12013	Case Manager (Loveless)	\$16,078.00	Tabled
12013	Case Manager (Richardson)	\$16,078.00	Tabled
11919	Facilitator (Duncan)	\$9,200.00	Tabled
11354	Problem Solving Coordinator (Cottrell)	\$13,488.00	Tabled
11424	Reception/Data (SB) PT	\$10,000.00	Tabled
12201	Field Officer (3)	\$53,000.00	Tabled
12201	Field Officer (3)	\$21,000.00	Tabled
11113	Director of Community Supervision	\$12,500.00	Tabled
11800	Overtime	\$12,000.00	Tabled
15230	Insurance	\$80,000.00	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$27,000.00	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$15,000.00	Tabled
<u>2523</u>	<u>Howard County Comm. Corrections Work Release Project Income Fund:</u>		
11700	PT/Detention Officer	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
<u>2523</u>	<u>Howard County Comm. Corrections Work Release Project Income Fund:</u>		
11244	Director (JL)	\$15,500.00	Tabled
11113	Asst. Director (OB)	\$16,250.00	Tabled
11906	FT/CO	\$15,950.00	Tabled
11700	FT/CO	\$50,000.00	Tabled
15230	Insurance	\$60,000.00	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$6,000.00	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$10,000.00	Tabled
<u>9121</u>	<u>Howard County Adult Probation DOC Grant Fund:</u>		
11242	Probation Officer	\$18,500.00	Tabled
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15230	Insurance	\$13,608.69	Tabled
15210	FICA	\$3,438.16	Tabled
15220	PERF	\$6,606.65	Tabled
<u>8107</u>	<u>Howard County Sheriff – Operation Pull-over Fund:</u>		
11305	First Deputy	\$7,392.00	\$7,392.00
<u>8139</u>	<u>Howard County Sheriff – Non-Motorist Fund:</u>		
11305	First Deputy (Payroll)	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00

Councilman Ortman made a motion to Table Funds 0210, 0236, 0235, 1122, 1123, 2515, 2523, with the exception of the Detention Officer, Fund 2523, as read by Auditor Lake. Councilwoman Fatum seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Councilman Ortman made a motion to approve the Salary amendments for account line 1000.11303.000.0002 in the sum of -\$1,046.00; 1000.11404.000.0002 in the sum of \$1,046.00; 2523.11700.000.0000 in the sum of \$40,000.00; 8107.11305.000.0000 in the sum of \$7,392.00 and 8139.11305.000.0000 in the sum of \$1500.00, as read by Auditor Lake. Councilwoman Fatum seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Paul Wyman stated that the State Legislature approved the increase in the Inn Keepers Tax and according to the State, the increase approved of 3% would be recognized as an 8% tax to be on the Council Agenda in June of this year.

Commissioner Wyman addressed the Hotel Conference Center Project which is a five-way partnership consisting of City Government, County Government, Convention Visitors Bureau, The Greater Kokomo Economic Development Alliance and the Auto Museum. In 2018 this project was entered in the budget as a line item in the commissioners EDIT Fund in the sum \$150,000. At the 2019 budget sessions Commissioner Wyman stated that the discussion was for \$150,000.00 per year, for a fifteen-year commitment. Commissioner Wyman stated that the Commissioners are committing to pay \$150,000.00 per year from the Commissioners Economic Development Income Tax budget. Commissioner Wyman asked for a motion from the Council to support President Papacek to enter into an MOU agreement in order to solidify the partnership. The MOU will be drafted by County Attorney Alan Wilson to allow the \$150,000.00 to come from this account line in the County EDIT budget. President Papacek stated that he noted a change in who is overseeing the project; however, he wanted to make sure the cost of the Hotel Conference Center Project will not increase. Mr. Wyman stated that the contract will be \$150,000.00 per year. Mr. Wyman stated that if there is an increase in the cost of the project, it will not be paid from the Commissioners' County budget. Commissioner Wyman stated that the plans currently are for a Hotel Conference Center and the potential for the Museum to be under the Conference Center. A motion was made by Councilman Ortman to table this item until the next Council meeting when the Inn Keepers tax will be placed on the agenda as well. This motion died for lack of a second. Councilman Stout made a motion for Commissioner Wyman to work with County Attorney Alan Wilson and Council President Jim Papacek to draft a MOU. Councilman Roberts seconded the motion and President Papacek asked for public comment prior to voting.

Jean Neal Vice President of Corporate Affairs for Haynes International and Chairperson of the Alliance GKEDA, stated she has never seen a community come together like Kokomo has and she believes the Council and Commissioners will be on the right side of this issue, making history for Kokomo.

Sherry Matlock manager of the Convention and Visitor's Bureau stated she is very much in support of Mr. Wyman and this project and would very much appreciate the support of the Council.

After allowing for public comment, President asked for a vote for preceding motion to allow for Commissioner Wyman and Council President Papacek to work with the County Attorney Alan Wilson to draft a MOU. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS:

Auditor Lake asked First Deputy Renae Adams to explain to the Council the request for the mid-year encumbrances. Mrs. Adams explained that the encumbrances were for the grants which ended on June

30th; however, the claims came in on July 7th and need to be paid out of last year's grant money. These are the grants that run from July 1 to June 30 mid-year. Auditor Lake asked that the Council to receive the mid-year encumbrances into the record. President Papacek acknowledged the fiscal encumbrances as presented to the Council and entered into the record.

Auditor Lake presented Sheriff Asher's Commissary Report into the record and stated that this report needs to be submitted both in June and December of each year. This will be added to the Council Agenda in June.

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS:

The Council acknowledged Ivan Hollingsworth and Viola Hollingsworth, two Boy Scouts who were in attendance.

*There being no further business to come before the Council
at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 5:21 p.m. by President Papacek.*

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL

JAMES T. PAPACEK, PRESIDENT

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