

2024

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING FILE OF THE COUNCIL NO. 98, 2023, AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "GENERAL CITY OPERATING BUDGET 2024" TO PROPERLY ACCOUNT FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES OF 2024 ("2024 BONDS") WHICH WERE USED TO REFUND THE CITY'S GENERAL OBLIGATION NOTES, SERIES OF 2016 ("2016 BONDS") BY INCREASING THE DEBT PROCEEDS ACCOUNT 100-38532-380-000-000000, BY THIRTY-TWO MILLION FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY-FIVE CENTS (\$32,470,534.25); INCREASING THE OP EX-2016 GO NOTE (SPA) ACCOUNT 100-45000-000-927-000000 BY THIRTY MILLION TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND THIRTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY-FIVE CENTS (\$30,029,034.25); AND ADDING A NEW EXPENSE LINE ITEM ACCOUNT 100-45000-000-928-000000 TITLED "2024 SERIES GO BOND—SPA REFUND" IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THREE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY-TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$1,143,992.50).

WHEREAS, in February 2024 the City of Scranton determined that it was in its best interest to exercise its option to call the City's General Obligation Notes Series of 2016 ("2016 Bonds") to reduce the City's interest costs; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2024, the City of Scranton closed on the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2024 in the aggregate amount of \$32,471,534.25 ("2024 Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of the 2024 Bonds were used to refund all of the City's outstanding 2016 Bonds and to pay for the costs associated to the refunding of the 2016 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the first debt service payment for the 2024 Bonds is due on November 15, 2024 in the amount of \$1,143,992.50; and

WHEREAS, the City did not anticipate issuing the 2024 Bonds to refund the City's 2016 Bonds at the time of preparing the General City Operating Budget 2024 (2024 Budget) in the fall of 2023; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Scranton to amend the 2024 Budget to: (1) properly account for the aforementioned bond transactions; and (2) include the 2024 Bonds debt service payment; and


WHEREAS, §909 of the City's Home Rule Charter and §6-13 (B) of the City's Administrative Code authorizes amendments to an adopted City operating budget upon the express approval of City Council.

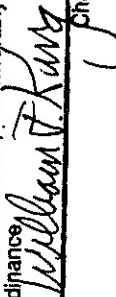
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCRANTON that File of the Council No. 98, 2023 is hereby Amended to increase the total amount budgeted in the Debt Proceeds revenue account 100-38532-380-000-000000, to increase the Op Ex—2016 Go Note expense account 100-45000-000-927-000000, and to add a new expense account 100-45000-000-928-000000, as detailed in the following:

DEBT PROCEEDS (Revenue):

**CERTIFIED COPY**

 City Clerk

Introduced in Council on above date and referred to Committee on SEPTEMBER 33, 2024  
FINANCE  
  
City Clerk

Scranton, PA September 17, 2024  
Committee on Finance reports favorably on the within ordinance.  
 Chair

SIXTH ORDER:  
September 10, 2024

Amount Budgeted	\$1,000.00
Requested Budget Increase	<u>\$32,470,534.25</u>
Amended Debt Proceeds Account Total	\$32,471,534.25

OP EX—2016 GO NOTE (Expenditure):

Account No. 100-45000-000-927-000000	
Amount Budgeted	\$2,442,500.00
Requested Budget Increase	<u>\$30,029,034.25</u>
Amended 2016 GO Note Account Total	\$32,471,534.25

OP EX--2024 SERIES GO BOND--SPA REFUND (New Expenditure):

Account No. 100-45000-000-928-000000	
Amount Budgeted	\$0.00
Requested Budget Increase	<u>\$1,143,992.50</u>
New 2024 GO Bond Refunding Account Total	\$1,143,992.50

The purpose of the above-referenced amendments is to allow and prepare for the proper accounting in the City's 2024 Operating Budget for the City's 2024 GO Bond issuance, the refunding of the City's 2016 GO Bond, and to add a new expense line item for the 2024 GO Bond debt service payment due November 15, 2024.

SECTION 1. If any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance so long as it remains legally enforceable minus the invalid portion. The City reserves the right to amend this Ordinance or any portion thereof from time to time as it shall deem advisable in the best interest of the promotion of the purposes and intent of this Ordinance, and the effective administration thereof.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon approval.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is enacted by the Council of the City of Scranton under the authority of the Act of Legislature, April 13, 1972, Act No. 62, known as the "Home Rule Charter and Option Plans Law" and any other applicable law arising under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania.

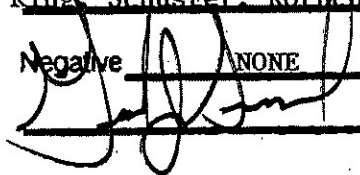
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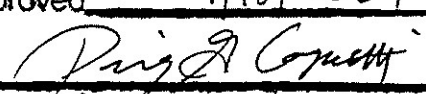

September 17, 2024

Receiving the Affirmative votes of Council Persons

King, Schuster, Rothchild, McAndrew, Smurl

Negative NONE

  
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 President

Approved 9/18/2024  
  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
  
 \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk  
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