

# OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

**DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**  
**DEPARTMENT:**  
**FUND:**

5/7/20  
Financial Services  
General Fund Emergency Reserve

**SUBJECT:** Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund (Ordinance No. 20190910-001) to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$2,200,000 to support emergency food access for caregivers of students in Austin-area schools who are experiencing food shortages due to COVID-19; and declaring an emergency.

**CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:**

	2019-20 Amended	This Action	2019-20 Amended
Beginning Balance	61,663,806	0	61,663,806
Total Transfers In	2,580,637	0	2,580,637
Total Transfers Out	0	0	0
Total Requirements	21,406,271	2,200,000	23,606,271
Excess (Deficiency) of Total Available Over Total Requirements	(18,825,634)	(2,200,000)	(21,025,634)
Ending Balance	42,838,172	(2,200,000)	40,638,172

**FIVE-YEAR ESTIMATED IMPACT:**

	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Revenue	0	0	0	0	0
Total Requirements	23,606,271	0	0	0	0

**ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** This action amends the General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund by increasing appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$2,200,000 to support emergency food access for caregivers of students in Austin-area schools who are experiencing food shortages due to COVID-19. This funding will be appropriated within the Emergency Reserve Fund. In accordance with the City's approved financial policies, these funds shall be used to provide for temporary financing for unanticipated or unforeseen extraordinary needs of an emergency nature, such as related to a natural disaster or calamity or an unexpected liability created by Federal or State legislative action.

Staff is in the process of developing a spending framework and appropriation plan for federal disaster relief and CARES Act funding. It is anticipated that this expenditure will be fully or partially eligible for reimbursement from a combination of these funds, allowing the Emergency Reserve Fund to be replenished.