



Legislation Text

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Amending the 2024 spending and financing plans for the City Hall Annex to reestablish a budget to make physical improvements within portions of the downtown skyway system.

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2023 the City Council adopted RES 23-1513 to transfer unencumbered ARPA appropriations between departments, which was consistent with the City's plan to shift ARPA funds from project-specific accounts to various expenditure accounts to ensure alignment with actual spending needs; and

WHEREAS, \$900,000 of the ARPA appropriations were transferred into an account in the 2023 City Hall Annex operating budget (AU 71013410) to facilitate construction within portions of the downtown skyway system to improve security, lighting, cleanliness and appearance in order to enhance the skyway user experience; and

WHEREAS, only a portion of said transfer was carried forward into 2024 as encumbered funds for work already under contract, with the remainder reverting to fund balance within the City Hall Annex budget; and

WHEREAS, in order to complete the intended improvements in the skyway system, a budget amendment is necessary to reestablish the spending and financing; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, pursuant to Section 10.07.1 of the Charter of the City of Saint Paul, does certify that there are available for appropriation, funds of \$840,156 in excess of those estimated in the 2024 Budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Saint Paul City Council, upon recommendation of the Mayor, that the 2024 Operating Budget, as heretofore adopted by the City Council, is hereby further amended in the particulars as indicated in the attached Financial Analysis, to finance the completion of the skyway system improvements.