

**AN ORDINANCE
BY: FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2009 GENERAL GOVERNMENT CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND BUDGET DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BY TRANSFERRING BETWEEN ACCOUNTS THE CURRENT BALANCE OF THREE HUNDRED FORTY NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$349,000.00) REPRESENTING THE TECHNOLOGY SURCHARGE FEES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO 08-O-0875 IN CONNECTION WITH BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS REVIEWED BY THE BUREAU OF BUILDINGS.

WHEREAS, the automation of the processes in the Bureau of Buildings requires an investment in the maintenance, technical support, increased staffing, document storage capabilities and the payment of yearly licensing fees which are in addition to the present cost of the plan review and administration of the Bureau of Buildings; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of this requirement, pursuant to Ordinance 08-O-0875 the City enacted a technology surcharge of \$25.00 for all building permit applications accepted for review;

WHEREAS, the current balance of funds representing the surcharge fee needs to be transferred into a newly created building permit technology surcharge special revenue fund for purposes consistent with 08-O-0875.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the 2009 General Government Outlay Fund Budget Department of Planning and Community Development is hereby amended as follows:

TRANSFER FROM APPROPRIATIONS

1001 000002 3231901 Technology Surcharge Account \$349,000.00

TRANSFER TO APPROPRIATIONS

XXXX XXXXXX XXXXXXXX	“XXX”	\$X
XXXX XXXXXX XXXXXXXX	“XXX”	\$X
XXXX XXXXXX XXXXXXXX	“XXX”	\$X
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		\$349,000.00

Section 2:
repealed.

That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are



Part II: Legislative White Paper: (This portion of the Legislative Request Form will be shared with City Council members and staff)

A. To be completed by Legislative Counsel:

Committee of Purview: F/E Committee

Caption:

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Council Meeting Date: March 16, 2009

Requesting Dept.: Planning and Community Development

FAC Confirmed by: n/a

B. To be completed by the department:

1. Please provide a summary of the purpose of this legislation (Justification Statement).

Example: The purpose of this legislation is to anticipate funds from a local assistance grant to purchase child safety seats.

The proposed legislation will establish a trust fund account for the technology surcharge created under Ordinance 08-O-0875. Additionally, the legislation will authorize the transfer of existing funds in the technology surcharge account (1001 000002 3231901 0000) to a trust fund account (similar to impact fees and bus shelter funds).

2. Please provide background information regarding this legislation.

Example: The task force of homelessness conducted a study regarding homelessness, its impact and consequences on the City. This resolution reflects the Mayor's desire to open a twenty-four hour center that will respond to the needs of the homelessness in Atlanta.

Ordinance 08-O-0875 authorized the creation of the technology fee and further authorized that the funds collected be deposited into a trust account for the purpose of the payment of maintenance,

technical support, staffing and any costs associated with software and hardware needs due to the automation of the building permitting process. The technology fee account is currently set up as a Revenue account and not a trust fund account. This legislation will authorize the creation of the appropriate trust fund account and transfer the revenue earned from the technology surcharge account to the newly established trust fund account.

3. If Applicable/Known:

- (a) **Contract Type (e.g. Professional Services, Construction Agreement, etc):**
- (b) **Source Selection:** n/a
- (c) **Bids/Proposals Due:** n/a
- (d) **Invitations Issued:** n/a
- (e) **Number of Bids:** n/a
- (f) **Proposals Received:** n/a
- (g) **Bidders/Proponents:** n/a
- (h) **Term of Contract:**

4. **Fund Account Center (Ex. Name and number)** TBD

5. **Source of Funds:** Fees collected from building permits.

6. **Fiscal Impact:** It will result in a reduction of \$291,816.00 (as of January 2009) from the revenue account 1001 000002 3231901 0000.

7. **Method of Cost Recovery:** This legislation will authorize the use of funds generated as a result of the technology surcharge for the purposes stated in Ordinance 08-O-0875.

Examples:

- a. **Revenues generated from the permits required under this legislation will be used to fund the personnel needed to carry out the permitting process.**
- b. **Money obtained from a local assistance grant will be used to cover the costs of this Summer Food Program.**

No revenues will be generated with this contract.

This Legislative Request Form Was Prepared By: Terri M. Lee

TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

TO: MAYOR'S OFFICE

ATTN: GREG PRIDGEON

Dept.'s Legislative Liaison: Terri Lee

Contact Number: x6643

Originating Department: Planning and Community Development

Committee(s) of Purview: F/E

Chief of Staff Deadline: February 24, 2009

Anticipated Committee Meeting Date(s): March 10, 2009

Anticipated Full Council Date: March 16, 2009

Legislative Counsel's Signature: [Signature]

Commissioner Signature: [Signature]

Chief Procurement Officer Signature: N/A

CAPTION

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FINANCIAL IMPACT (if any):

Mayor's Staff Only

Received by CPO: _____ (date) Received by LC from CPO: _____ (date)

Received by Mayor's Office: 2/26/09 (date) Reviewed by: [Signature] (date)

Submitted to Council: _____ (date)