

**MOTION**

During the deliberations on the 2015-16 Proposed Budget, the City Council noted the need to increase the allocation to Neighborhood Councils. Over the past few years, due to budgetary constraints, Neighborhood Councils have suffered reductions in the allocation similar to nearly every other City department.


In recognition of the need to provide adequate resources to Neighborhood Councils, the City Council set aside \$480,000 in the 2015-16 Adopted Budget Unappropriated Balance to increase Neighborhood Council allocations next fiscal year based on a plan to be developed by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

As the new fiscal year approaches, it is critical that the increase in Neighborhood Councils' resources be expedited. To ensure the most expedient allocation of the funding from the Unappropriated Balance to Neighborhood Councils, the Council's allocation should be move to the appropriate fund on July 1, 2015 in anticipation of its subsequent allocation to the individual Neighborhood Councils as part of the first Financial Status Report, if not sooner.

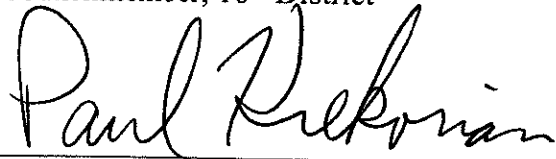
I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Clerk be instructed to place on the City Council Agenda for July 1, 2015, or soon thereafter as possible, the following recommendations for adoption:

That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, appropriate \$480,000 from the line in the Unappropriated Balance, Fund 100-58, entitled "Neighborhood Councils" to the Neighborhood Empowerment Fund No. 44B-47, Account No. 47M238 for subsequent allocation in the First Financial Status Report, if not sooner, to increase individual Neighborhood Councils' funding.

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