

# CITY OF HIGH POINT

## AGENDA ITEM



### **Title: Budget Amendment for Family Justice Center Interlocal Agreement**

**From:** Eric Olmedo, Budget Director

**Meeting Date:** February 5, 2018

**Public Hearing:** N/A

**Advertising Date:** N/A

**Advertised By:** N/A

**Attachments:** Budget ordinance

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### **PURPOSE:**

A Budget Amendment is needed to appropriate funds for the City of High Point's share of the Family Justice Center interlocal agreement.

### **BACKGROUND:**

As part of a wholistic approach to addressing crime, the High Point Police Department has historically partnered with service providers, advocates and other professionals to attend to the needs of crime victims as they go through the legal process and to then ensure they have the necessary support to aid in recover from experienced trauma. This effort was greatly expanded upon when we began our initiative to reduce Domestic Violence several years ago. With the aid of Community Foundation support, grants and other sources we then started a Victim's Justice Center which focused on helping victims of domestic violence. This effort has seen much success and has greatly benefitted our citizens.

In partnership with the County, we now have the opportunity to expand upon the services offered and thereby support more High Point citizens. Services will still address domestic violence but will expand to include other family matters as well as elderly care. Additionally, through this partnership, we will be able to relocate to the High Point Court House which will increase functionality and accessibility. This partnership will also help us address funding sustainability and staffing issues which have been a constant challenge. As a benefit to High Point Citizens, we are seeking approval to enter into this agreement.

### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

Per the interlocal agreement, High Point's share of the project is capped at \$500,000. The first installment of \$250,000 will be paid after the County completes 50% of the renovation. The second installment of up to \$250,000 will be budgeted in the FY 2018-2019 Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:** The Budget Department recommends and asks the Council to approve the budget amendment.

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2017-2018 BUDGET ORDINANCE  
OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, NORTH CAROLINA  
TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of High Point, North Carolina, as follows:

Section 1. The City of High Point has agreed to participate financially in the Family Justice Center project with Guilford County.

Section 2. In order to recognize and appropriate these funds, the 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance of the City of High Point, should be amended as follows:

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| (A) | That General Fund revenues be amended as follows:     |           |
|     | Appropriated Fund Balance                             | \$250,000 |
| (B) | That General Fund expenditures be amended as follows: |           |
|     | Special Appropriations expenditures                   | \$250,000 |

Section 3. That all ordinances, or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be effective from and after its passage."

Adopted February 5, 2018