



# City of Kansas City, Missouri

## Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 260287

Submitted Department/Preparer: Police

Revised 01/30/25

Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in [Administrative Regulation \(AR\) 4-1](#).

### Executive Summary

Mayor Quinton Lucas Waiving the limitations established by the Fund Balance and Reserve Policy in Section 2-1954 of the Code of Ordinances for use of Unappropriated General Fund Balance; appropriating \$2,000,000.00 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance of the General Fund as a transfer to the General Fund and transferring same to the Police Department for Overtime in Patrol and Investigations; directing the City Manager to include a request for appropriation in the Fiscal Year 2027 first quarter ordinance from the Public Safety Sales Tax Fund in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 as a transfer to the General Fund if not allocated from Public Safety Sales Tax Fund in the FY 2026-2027 budget; and recognizing this ordinance as having an accelerated effective date.

### Discussion

The Board of Police Commissioners adopted a General Fund budget totaling \$298,505,692.00. KCPD issued a memo in January days before introduction of the City's FY 2026-2027 budget to implement "drastic cost-reduction measures" to solve a "budgetary imbalance" in the Department's spending. KCPD estimated approximately \$2.5 million in legal settlements when presenting its FY2025-2026 budget. The Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners has approved more than \$11 million in legal settlements and fees in the current fiscal year. KCPD has suspended all overtime that is not critical to basic operations and instituted a hiring freeze on all professional staff positions. During Business Session on February 5, 2026, the Police Department presented an estimated \$3.0 million budget shortfall in the current fiscal year. The Police Department reports a revised estimated Fiscal Year 2026 shortfall of \$2.0 million. The Council intends that the General Fund be reimbursed for this appropriation through a transfer from the Public Safety Sales Tax Fund in the Fiscal Year 2027.

### Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget?  Yes  No
2. What is the funding source?  
General Fund - 1000
3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?  
Increases appropriations in the General Fund.
4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.  
This ordinance moves \$2,000,000 in appropriations from the Public Safety Sales Tax Fund 2320 to to the Geneal Fund in the first quarter of FY 2026-27.
5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?  
N/A

**Office of Management and Budget Review**

(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

1. This legislation is supported by the general fund.  Yes  No
2. This fund has a structural imbalance.  Yes  No
3. Account string has been verified/confirmed.  Yes  No

**Additional Discussion (if needed)**

This ordinance would appropriate from the Unassigned General Fund balance, which currently has \$262.5 million available as of 03.23.2026. The three-month reserve target for Assigned General Fund balance is \$205.9 million. The two-month reserve target for Committed General Fund balance is \$137.3 million.

**Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact**

1. View the [Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan](#)
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?  
Public Safety (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):

- Engage the community and community partners to focus on evidence-based approaches to public safety.
- Focus on violence prevention among all age groups, placing an emphasis on youth.
- Increase fairness, justice, and responsiveness of our municipal criminal justice system to support the best possible outcome for offenders and victims of crime.
- Reduce recidivism through prevention, deterrence, including detention, and re-entry services.
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## Prior Legislation

N/A

## Service Level Impacts

This appropriation increase will provide for overtime in patrol and investigations.

## Staff Recommendation

Police Department

Select One:  Sponsored  
 Directive: Res/Ord # [Click to enter Res/Ord. No.](#)

Select One:  Recommend  
 Do Not Recommend  
 Not Applicable

The Police Department requests additional overtime funding to support increased policing efforts.

## Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?  
N/A

2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?

N/A

3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?

N/A

4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?

Please Select (Press tab after selecting)

N/A

N/A

5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

Please Select (Press tab after selecting)

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6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?

No(Press tab after selecting)