



Legislative Branch

RL Number: 24-48
Date Submitted: _____

City Clerk, City Hall, Binghamton, NY 13901 607-772-7005

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION

Requests for Legislation (RLs) may be submitted to the City Clerk's Office for possible consideration at City Council Work Sessions. RLs generated by City Departments must be signed by the Mayor, Comptroller, and Corporation Counsel prior to submission. Incomplete/incorrect RLs will be returned to applicant for revisions.

Applicant Presenting RL at Work Session

Drake-Deese, Kent	PERSONNELL DIRECTOR	607-772-7067
(Print Name)	(Title)	(Phone number)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

To Be Completed By Applicant

Proposed Title: AMEND THE 2024 PARKS BUDGET TO PAY A RESPONSIBILITY ADJUSTMENT TO ACTING PARKS COMMISSIONER UNTIL 4/21/2024, OR POSITION FILLED, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST.

Executive Summary (Explain why legislation is necessary): AMEND THE 2024 PARKS BUDGET TO PAY A RESPONSIBILITY ADJUSTMENT TO ACTING PARKS COMMISSIONER UNTIL 4/21/2024, OR UNTIL POSITION FILLED, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. DECREASE A7020.54701 (TRAVEL & TRAINING) BY \$2,000 AND DECREASE A7020.54101 (OFFICE SUPPLIES) BY \$392.32 AND INCREASE A7020.51000 (PERSONELL SERVICES) BY \$2,392.32.

Effective Date: (if applicable) RESP. ADJ

Budget transfer or amendment: RL Budget Transfer Worksheet **must** be attached w/ Dep. Head signature.

RL related to a grant: RL Grant Worksheet **must** be attached. Deadline for Council to act by: _____

RL related to previously adopted legislation: Perm. number _____, adoption date _____

Contract: Person/Company _____ Start/End Date _____

Total Cost _____ Funds available in Budget Line _____ Title _____

Public Hearing required? Yes No

SEQRA required? Yes No

Additional information related to this RL attached? Yes No

OFFICE USE ONLY						
Mayor:						
Comptroller:						
Corp. Counsel:						
Finance <input type="checkbox"/>	Planning <input type="checkbox"/>	MPA <input type="checkbox"/>	PW/Parks <input type="checkbox"/>	Employees <input type="checkbox"/>	Rules/Special Studies <input type="checkbox"/>	



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: March 27, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Porter, Dundon, Hotchkiss, Cavanaugh

Introduced by Committee: Employees

ORDINANCE

entitled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
GENERAL BUDGET FOR DEPARTMENT OF
PARKS AND RECREATION TO PAY A
RESPONSIBILITY ADJUSTMENT TO ACTING
PARKS COMMISSIONER

WHEREAS, the Director of Personnel and Comptroller of the City of Binghamton find it proper and necessary to amend the 2024 Department of Parks and Recreation budget to temporarily adjust the salary of the "Acting Parks Commissioner"; and

WHEREAS, the "Maintenance Supervisor" was named "Acting Commissioner" until 4/21/2024, or until the position is filled, whichever is first; and

WHEREAS, such budget amendments were approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on March 27, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and the Acting City Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 Parks and Recreation budget to (i) decrease the "Travel and Training" budget by \$2,000; and (ii) decrease the "Office Supplies" by \$392.32; and (iii) temporarily increase the "Acting Commissioner" salary by \$2,392.32, paid as a responsibility adjustment as follows:

Transfer From (Decrease):

\$2,000 A7020.54701 (TRAVEL & TRAINING)
\$392.32 A7020.54101 (OFFICE SUPPLIES)

Transfer To (Increase):

\$2,000 A7020.51000 (PRS SVC)
\$393.32 A7020.51000 (PRS SVC)

Total: \$2,392.32

Total: \$2,392.32

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available.

Chuck Shager, Comptroller

Introductory No. 024-20

Permanent No. _____

Sponsored by City Council Members:
Porter, Dundon, Hotchkiss, Cavanaugh

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
GENERAL BUDGET FOR DEPARTMENT OF
PARKS AND RECREATION TO PAY A
RESPONSIBILITY ADJUSTMENT TO ACTING
PARKS COMMISSIONER

The within Ordinance was adopted by the Council of
the City of Binghamton.

Date

City Clerk

Date Presented to Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Porter				
Councilmember Middleton				
Councilmember Cavanaugh				
Councilmember Hotchkiss				
Councilmember Mativetsky				
Councilmember Kosty				
Councilmember Dundon				
Total				

Code of the City of Binghamton

Adopted Defeated

____ Ayes ____ Nays ____ Abstain ____ Absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true
copy of the legislation adopted by the
Council of the City of Binghamton at a
meeting held on _____. Approved
by the Mayor on _____.



Legislative Branch

RL Number:
24-49
 Date Submitted:

City Clerk, City Hall, Binghamton, NY 13901 607-772-7005

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION

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Applicant Information

Request submitted by: Megan J. Heiman
Title/Department: Deputy Mayor
Contact Information: 607-772-7001

RL Information

Proposed Title: An Ordinance amending the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 124, section 26 to update eligibility for retiree health insurance.

Suggested Content: Current code is effecting soon-to- retire employees who would have been eligible for health insurance benefits before the code was changed in 2021. This amendment allows for more inclusive coverage along with an exception for military buyback in collaboration with collective bargaining units.

Additional Information

Does this RL concern grant funding? Yes No
 If 'Yes', is the required RL Grant Worksheet attached? Yes No
 Is additional information related to the RL attached? Yes No
 Is RL related to previously adopted legislation? Yes No

If 'Yes', please provide Permanent Ordinance/Resolution/Local Law number(s): O-21-155

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Mayor:	<u>[Signature]</u>
Comptroller:	<u>[Signature]</u>
Corporation Counsel:	<u>[Signature]</u>
Finance <input type="checkbox"/>	Planning <input type="checkbox"/> MPA <input type="checkbox"/> PW/Parks <input type="checkbox"/> Employees <input type="checkbox"/> Rules/Special Studies <input type="checkbox"/>

§ 124-26. City to pay portion of costs of premiums for continued health insurance for eligible retired employees. [Amended 12-17-1973 by Ord. No. 244-73; 5-7-1984 by Ord. No. 40-84; Deleted 1-6-2017 by Ord. No. 16-105; Amended 6-19-2019 by Ord No. 19-66; Amended 12-23-2020 by Ord. No. 20-115; Amended 11-17-2021 by Ord. No. 21-132; Amended 12-22-2021 by Ord No. 21-155]

The City of Binghamton will provide continued health insurance coverage for eligible retired employees as follows:

A. "eligible retired employees" are defined as employees that retire from the City of Binghamton and enter the NYS retirement system (ERS or PFRS that the City paid into) directly upon leaving employment with the City unless this definition is superseded by a collective bargaining agreement.

B. For all eligible retired employees, including non-union officers and employees, and excluding retired employees that were members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFLCIO, Blue Collar and Supervisor Units, Local No. 317, the City of Binghamton will pay Seventy (70%) Percent of the premium charged for the plan selected by the retired employee, i.e., Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield Classic Blue (available in the calendar year of retirement only); Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield-PPO-B; or Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield Signature Deductible 3. The eligible retired employee will pay the remaining Thirty (30%) Percent of the premium charged for the selected plan.

C. For all eligible retired employees that were members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL-CIO, Blue Collar and Supervisor Units, Local No. 317, the City of Binghamton will pay Seventy (70%) Percent of the premium charged for the "C-2 Plan" or, if discontinued, the equivalent replacement plan, and the eligible retired employee will pay the remaining Thirty (30%) Percent of the premium charged for this plan. The eligible retired employee may select another plan offered through New York State Teamsters but such employee will pay the entire cost of the premium, regardless of the selected plan.

D. For all eligible retired employees, including retired members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL-CIO, Blue Collar and Supervisor Units, Local No. 317, and the spouses, surviving spouses, and dependents of the retired employees who are Medicare eligible must enroll in the City's Advantage Plan for Groups or the equivalent replacement policy. The City of Binghamton will pay Seventy (70%)

Percent of the premium charged for the Advantage Plan for Groups. The retired employee, or, if deceased, the spouses, surviving spouses, and dependents of the retired employee will pay the remaining Thirty (30%) Percent of the premium charged for the Advantage Plan for Groups.

E. For all officers and employees who have at least ten (10) years of full time service with the City of Binghamton on or after January 1, 2009, who separated from service with the City of Binghamton in good standing (not terminated), over 65 on Medicare with Parts A and B, and collecting retirement with the New York State and Local Retirement System, will be entitled to join the City's Advantage Plan for Groups or the equivalent replacement policy, when he or she is Medicare eligible provided he/she pays One Hundred (100%) Percent of the cost of such plan and that all payments are deducted from his/her New York State pension.

F. Any elected official who serves at least two (2) four (4) year terms, will be entitled to join the City's Advantage Plan for Groups or the equivalent replacement policy, when he or she is Medicare eligible with Parts A & B, provided he/she pays the remaining thirty percent (30%) of the premium charged for the Advantage Plan for Groups as provided in paragraph "D" above and that all payments are deducted from his/her New York State pension.

G. A surviving spouse of an employee in good standing, who was eligible for continued health insurance coverage, whether or not that employee has retired, is eligible for continued health insurance as provided in the applicable subsections above, except that the surviving spouse (Widow/Widower) will be responsible to pay One Hundred (100%) Percent of the premium charged to the City of Binghamton.

H. Employees who have retired from the City of Binghamton (not just collected their retirement from NYSLRS) and carry health insurance into retirement are eligible to opt out of the City of Binghamton retiree health insurance plan, as explained above, and return to the plan one time as long as they provide proof of insurance coverage during the entire period they were not covered by the City's plan.

I. Employees who have retired from the City of Binghamton (not just collected their retirement from NYSLRS) and did not carry health insurance into retirement are eligible to return to the plan one time when they provide proof of insurance

coverage during the entire period they were not covered by the City's plan but are not eligible to leave the City's plan and return pursuant to subsection H, above.

J. The City of Binghamton will provide continued health insurance coverage for eligible retired employees who retire directly from the City of Binghamton as follows: Those hired on or before June 1, 2024, are required to have ten (10) years of service with the City to qualify for continued health insurance coverage, and those hired after June 1, 2024, are required to have twenty (20) years of service with the City to qualify for continued health insurance coverage. All eligible retired employees shall continue to make the required contribution toward health insurance premiums in accordance with the above subsections and applicable provisions of the Binghamton City Code, as well as any applicable collective bargaining agreements and employment contracts.

K. Any employee who has at least ten (10) years of service with the City and has bought back active military service credit towards their retirement shall be eligible to have such service credit added to the total years of service with the City, to the extent such service credit was bought back while the employee was employed by the City.



THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK

Date: December 22, 2021

Sponsored by Council Members: Scaringi, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Strawn, Scanlon, Resciniti

Introduced by Committee: Employees

ORDINANCE

entitled

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON, CHAPTER 124,
PERSONNEL POLICIES, TO CLARIFY
LANGUAGE FOR RETIREES

WHEREAS, the Corporation Counsel and Comptroller of the City of Binghamton have recommended that the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 124, *Personnel Policies*, § 26, *City to pay portion of costs of premiums for continued health insurance for eligible retired employees*, be amended to clarify the language regarding "eligible retired employees" to confirm that in order to qualify for continued health insurance those hired prior to January 1, 2009, are required to have ten (10) years of service with the City, and those hired after January 1, 2009, are required to have twenty (20) years of service with the City; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to amend Code of the City of Binghamton accordantly.
Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 124, *Personnel Policies*, § 26, *City to pay portion of costs of premiums for continued health insurance for eligible retired employees*, is hereby amended by adding section F as follows:

F. [NEW] The City of Binghamton will provide continued health insurance coverage for eligible retired employees as follows. Unless this provision is superseded by a collective bargaining agreement, "eligible retired employees" are employees that retire from the City and enter into the NYS retirement system (ERS or PFRS that the City paid into) directly upon leaving employment with the City and meet the following years of service eligibility: those hired prior to January 1, 2009, are required to have ten (10) years of service with the City, and those hired after January 1, 2009, are required to have twenty (20) years of service with the City.

All eligible retired employees shall continue to make the required contribution toward health insurance premiums in accordance with the applicable City Council ordinance.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Introductory No. 021-155

Permanent No. 021-155

Sponsored by City Council Members:
Searingt, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Strawa, Scanlon,
Resciniti

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LANGUAGE FOR RETIREES

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the City of Binghamton.

Date 12/22/21

City Clerk [Signature]

Date Presented to Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor [Signature]

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilman Searingt	✓			
Councilwoman Riley	✓			
Councilwoman Friedman	✓			
Councilman Burns	✓			
Councilman Strawa	✓			
Councilman Scanlon	✓			
Councilwoman Resciniti	✓			
Total	7	0	0	0

Code of the City of Binghamton

Adopted Defeated

7 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Abstain 0 Absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true
copy of the legislation adopted by the
Council of the City of Binghamton at a
meeting held on 12/23/21 Approved
by the Mayor on 12/23/21 [Signature]



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: March 27, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Porter, Dundon, Hotchkiss, Cavanaugh

Introduced by Committee: Employees

ORDINANCE

entitled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON, CHAPTER 124,
PERSONNEL POLICIES, TO UPDATE
ELIGIBILITY FOR RETIREE HEALTH
INSURANCE

WHEREAS, Corporation Counsel, the Comptroller, and the Mayor of the City of Binghamton have recommended that the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 124, *Personnel Policies*, § 26, *City to pay portion of costs of premiums for continued health insurance for eligible retired employees*, be amended; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to amend Code of the City of Binghamton accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Code of the City of Binghamton, Chapter 124, Personnel Policies, § 26, *City to pay portion of costs of premiums for continued health insurance for eligible retired employees*, is hereby amended as follows:

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B. For all eligible retired employees, including non-union officers and employees, and excluding retired employees that were members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFLCIO, Blue Collar and Supervisor Units, Local No. 317, the City of Binghamton will pay Seventy (70%) Percent of the premium charged for the plan

selected by the retired employee, i.e., Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield Classic Blue (available in the calendar year of retirement only); Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield-PPO-B; or Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield Signature Deductible 3. The eligible retired employee will pay the remaining Thirty (30%) Percent of the premium charged for the selected plan.

C. For all eligible retired employees that were members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL-CIO, Blue Collar and Supervisor Units, Local No. 317, the City of Binghamton will pay Seventy (70%) Percent of the premium charged for the “C-2 Plan” or, if discontinued, the equivalent replacement plan, and the eligible retired employee will pay the remaining Thirty (30%) Percent of the premium charged for this plan. The eligible retired employee may select another plan offered through New York State Teamsters but such employee will pay the entire cost of the premium, regardless of the selected plan.

D. For all eligible retired employees, including retired members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL-CIO, Blue Collar and Supervisor Units, Local No. 317, and the spouses, surviving spouses, and dependents of the retired employees who are Medicare eligible must enroll in the City’s Advantage Plan for Groups or the equivalent replacement policy. The City of Binghamton will pay Seventy (70%) Percent of the premium charged for the Advantage Plan for Groups. The retired employee, or, if deceased, the spouses, surviving spouses, and dependents of the retired employee will pay the remaining Thirty (30%) Percent of the premium charged for the Advantage Plan for Groups.

E. For all officers and employees who have at least ten (10) years of full time service with the City of Binghamton on or after January 1, 2009, who separated from service with the City of Binghamton in good standing (not terminated), over 65 on Medicare with Parts A and B, and collecting retirement with the New York State and Local Retirement System, will be entitled to join the City’s Advantage Plan for Groups or the equivalent replacement policy, when he or she is Medicare eligible provided he/she pays One Hundred (100%) Percent of the cost of such plan and that all payments are deducted from his/her New York State pension.

F. Any elected official who serves at least two (2) four (4) year terms, will be entitled to join the City’s Advantage Plan for Groups or the equivalent replacement policy, when he or she is Medicare eligible with Parts A & B, provided he/she pays the remaining thirty percent (30%) of the premium charged for the Advantage Plan for Groups as provided in paragraph “D” above and that all payments are deducted from his/her New York State pension.

G. A surviving spouse of an employee in good standing, who was eligible for continued health insurance coverage, whether or not that employee has retired, is eligible for continued health insurance as provided in the applicable subsections above, except that the surviving spouse (Widow/Widower) will be responsible to pay One Hundred (100%) Percent of the premium charged to the City of Binghamton.

H. Employees who have retired from the City of Binghamton (not just collected their retirement from NYSLRS) and carry health insurance into retirement are eligible to opt out of the City of Binghamton retiree health insurance plan, as explained above, and return to the plan one time as long as they provide proof of insurance coverage during the entire period they were not covered by the City’s plan.

I. Employees who have retired from the City of Binghamton (not just collected their retirement from NYSLRS) and did not carry health insurance into retirement are eligible to return to the plan one time when they provide proof of insurance coverage during the entire period they were not covered by the City’s plan but are not eligible to leave the City’s plan and return pursuant to subsection H, above.

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for continued health insurance coverage. All eligible retired employees shall continue to make the required contribution toward health insurance premiums in accordance with the above subsections and applicable provisions of the Binghamton City Code, as well as any applicable collective bargaining agreements and employment contracts.

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Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Introductory No. 024-21

Permanent No. _____

Sponsored by City Council Members:
Porter, Dundon, Hotchkiss, Cavanaugh

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON, CHAPTER 124,
PERSONNEL POLICIES, TO UPDATE
ELIGIBILITY FOR RETIREE HEALTH
INSURANCE

The within Ordinance was adopted by the Council of
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Date

City Clerk

Date Presented to Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Porter				
Councilmember Middleton				
Councilmember Cavanaugh				
Councilmember Hotchkiss				
Councilmember Mativetsky				
Councilmember Kosty				
Councilmember Dundon				
Total				

Code of the City of Binghamton

Adopted Defeated

____ Ayes ____ Nays ____ Abstain ____ Absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true
copy of the legislation adopted by the
Council of the City of Binghamton at a
meeting held on _____. Approved
by the Mayor on _____.



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: March 27, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Porter, Dundon, Hotchkiss, Cavanaugh

Introduced by Committee: Employees

ORDINANCE

entitled

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
TREASURER BUDGET TO ADJUST THE
SALARY AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE
TREASURER POSITION**

WHEREAS, the Comptroller finds it proper and necessary to amend the 2024 Treasurer budget to adjust the salary and classification of the Treasurer position; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Treasurer will transfer the funds from an existing line in Kiosk Fees/Services; and

WHEREAS, the budget transfer was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on March 27, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City has had difficulty finding qualified individuals to fulfill the Mayor-appointed position of City Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has proposed, and the Council of the City of Binghamton agrees, that the City would be best served by changing the position of City Treasurer from an appointed position to a Civil Service Management Tested position.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and Acting Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 Treasurer budget to adjust the salary as follows:

Transfer From (Decrease):

\$13,036.68 A1325.54409

(KIOSK FEES/SVCS)

Transfer To (Increase):

\$13,036.68 A1325.51000

(PERS WAGES – TREASURER)

\$13,036.68

\$13,036.68

Section 2. That the Mayor, in consultation with the Department of Personnel, is directed and authorized to submit such documentation as is necessary to the New York State Department

of Civil Service to change the position of the Treasurer to a Civil Service Management Tested position.

Section 3. That the Mayor is further authorized and directed to take any and all actions and execute and deliver any and all documents or instruments that may be necessary or desirable to carry out the intent of the foregoing ordinance.

Section 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available.

Chuck Shager, Comptroller



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: March 27, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Cavanaugh, Hotchkiss, Dundon

Introduced by Committee: Finance

ORDINANCE

entitled

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
CAPITAL BUDGET TO CLOSE SERIAL BOND
ACCOUNTS NO LONGER ACTIVE**

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the City of Binghamton finds it proper and necessary to amend the 2024 Capital Fund budget to close serial bond accounts that are no longer active; and

WHEREAS, such budget amendments were approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on March 27, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and Acting City Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 Capital Fund budget to close serial bond accounts that are no longer active as follows:

- (i) \$50,729.24 decrease in expense budget line H1650.525323.20619 (HAWLEY/WASH STREET LIGHTS)
- (ii) \$566,594.72 decrease in expense budget line H3410.525326.72720 (NEW FIRE STATION)
- (iii) \$204,534.29 decrease in expense budget line H5110.525321.20619 (PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS)
- (iv) \$205,803.74 decrease in expense budget line H8340.525153.21716 (SLUDGE EXTRACTION)
- (v) \$1,027,661.99 decrease in revenue budget line H.45710 (SERIAL BONDS)

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available.

Chuck Shager, Comptroller

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Located in the Department of Planning, Housing and Community Development, Division of Housing and HUD Administration, under the general supervision of the Planning, Housing and Community Development Director, the work involves collection of data necessary to facilitate various community development initiatives related to housing and homelessness prevention, administering sub-recipient contracts and reporting to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on federal program compliance. The incumbent assists with planning and compliance duties and identifies program development issues as related to the City's Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). The incumbent provides support to HUD Administration Manager and Housing Supervisor and to the Housing Division, information to staff and the public regarding available programs, funding and federal and state regulations. This position is responsible for program specific inventory, analysis and grant administration in addition to assisting in special community development activities.

This position assists with the Housing Rehabilitation Programs, First Time Homebuyer Programs, and other Housing Programs/Grants, in terms of data management, client intake; budget management; grant support; and direct customer support.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Assists with the preparation of reports to HUD on federal program compliance and the Consolidated Plan and CDBG Action Plan application process;

Maintains grant budgets, tracking spreadsheets, and payment request submittals; may assist with grant applications;

Provides information to staff and the public regarding federal, state and municipal housing programs, and available services;

Attends and participates in CDBG public hearings;

Attends, participates and assists with Community Development Advisory Committee meetings;

Enters and retrieves information in an automated information system;

SPECIFIC WORK ACTIVITIES:

PROGRAM BUDGET MANAGEMENT-Keeps current with HOME, CDBG, and NYS AHC fund balances. Assist Housing Supervisor with the implementation and management of Housing Programs in relationship to funding cycles for each; Draft and maintain Project Agreements for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO); Assists with set up, maintaining, and closing out all federally funded housing projects in the Federal Integrated Disbursement and Information system (IDIS); Maintains Excel spreadsheets for Federal and NYS funded Housing related programs for Federal and State grant management and for monitoring review purposes during the affordability requirements.

CLIENT INTAKE - Manage client intake for City of Binghamton Housing CDBG and HOME rehabilitation programs and first-time homebuyer programs; Meet with applicants to finalize eligibility for subsidized housing programs assistance; Reviews participant obligations with applicant.

REGULATORY-Keeps abreast of current Federal and State Fair Housing laws; assists with Fair Housing reviews and monitoring; Coordinates HUD mandated on-site tenant records monitoring and auditing during the affordable housing development project Affordability Periods; Assists with yearly on-site review of tenant rent records for CHDO affordable housing development projects to ensure compliance with HUD mandated affordability periods; Responsible for maintaining the integrity of the program through awareness of fraud and abuse indicators.

GRANT SUPPORT- Assist Grants Administrator and Housing Supervisor in drafting future affordable housing rehabilitation grants available through state and federal agencies; Maintains Excel spreadsheets for Federal and NYS funded Housing related programs and grant management; Assists with grant requirements such as quarterly and yearly reporting requirements; disbursement of fund requests to participating agencies; formulate and submit plans to participating NYS grant agencies for MWBE and Section 3 requirements as needed. Coordinates the close out procedures set forth in the grant agreements.

CUSTOMER SUPPORT- Provides information to staff and the public regarding federal, state and municipal housing programs, and available services; Promotes and Markets availability of resources; Answers phone calls and assists walk-in visitors with information on the City of Binghamton Housing programs.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES & PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of financial and managerial accounting practices; Ability to utilize common office software programs including word processing, spreadsheet, and database at an acceptable rate of accuracy and speed; Skill in Micro Soft Excel mathematical applications and calculations; Knowledge of Federal Community Development Block Grant and HOME Community Entitlement; Familiarity with Federal and State housing laws, rules and regulations. Knowledge of New York State Affordable Housing and Community Renewal Agency grant opportunities; Ability to prepare oral and written reports; Ability to maintain effective working relationships with others; Good judgment, tact, and initiative; Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- (a) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered four-year college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in Economics, Public Administration, Business Administration, Communication or a similarly related field and one year of experience in financial office work with a public or private agency adhering to acceptable standards; or
- (b) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered two-year college or university with an Associate's Degree in one of the fields in (a) above and 2 years' experience as defined in (a) above; or
- (c) Graduation from High School or possession of a High School equivalency diploma and 2 years' experience within City of Binghamton's Housing Division; or 3 years' experience as defined in (a) above.

Adopted: 7/19/2023 (Competitive)



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: March 27, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Porter, Middleton, Cavanaugh, Hotchkiss, Mativetsky

Introduced by Committee: Employees

ORDINANCE

entitled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024 HUD
ADMINISTRATION AND HOUSING BUDGET
TO ADD CDBG FUNDED HOUSING AND
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST
POSITION

WHEREAS, the Director of Planning and Housing and the Comptroller find it proper and necessary to amend the 2024 HUD Administration and Housing budget to add a CDBG funded Housing and Community Development Specialist position; and

WHEREAS, the “Housing and Community Development Specialist” position was approved by Civil Service on July 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, such budget amendment was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on March 27, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and Acting Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 Department of HUD Administration and Housing budget to fund the Housing and Community Development Specialist position as follows:

Transfer From (Decrease):

\$17,135 CD8686.533528.CDY47 (ADMIN)
\$22,755 CD8686.533528.CDY48 (ADMIN)
\$39,890 CD8686.533528.CDY50 (ADMIN)

Transfer To (Increase):

\$48,000 A8686.51000 (SALARY)
\$5,760 A9010.58000A (RETIREMENT)
\$3,672 A9030.58000B (SOC SEC SVS)
\$22,000 A9060.58000C (HEALTH INS)
\$348 A9040.58000D (WORK COMP)

\$79,780

\$79,780

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available.

Chuck Shager, Comptroller



Legislative Branch

RL Number:	_____
Date Submitted:	_____


City Clerk, City Hall, Binghamton, NY 13901 607-772-7005

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION

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Applicant Presenting RL at Work Session

Stephen Carson HUD Manager 6077727028
 (Print Name) (Title) (Phone number)

Signature:  Date: 02/21/2024

To Be Completed By Applicant

Proposed Title: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CHRYSALIS RESEARCH & CONSULTING, LLC FOR THE CREATION OF AN ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING STUDY REQUIRED FOR THE 2024 HUD CONSOLIDATED PLAN

Executive Summary (Explain why legislation is necessary): An AIFH is required by HUD for each Consolidated Plan. Chrysalis is the sole responder to an RFP seeking services for this project. Funding shall come from CD8686.533528.CDY49 (Admin Services) for \$20,000 and CD8686.533528.CDY47 (Admin Services) for the remainder of the \$7,500 from their bid.

Effective Date: (if applicable) _____

Budget transfer or amendment: RL Budget Transfer Worksheet **must** be attached w/ Dep. Head signature.

RL related to a grant: RL Grant Worksheet **must** be attached. Deadline for Council to act by: 02/28/2024

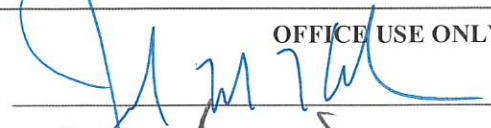


RL related to previously adopted legislation: Perm. number _____, adoption date _____

Contract: Person/Company Chrysalis Research & Consulting Start/End Date _____

Total Cost \$27,500 Funds available in Budget Line CD8686.533528.47 & 49 Title Admin Services

Public Hearing required? Yes No **SEQRA required?** Yes No

Additional information related to this RL attached? Yes No

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Mayor:	
Comptroller:	
Corp. Counsel:	
Finance <input type="checkbox"/>	Planning <input type="checkbox"/>
MPA <input type="checkbox"/>	PW/Parks <input type="checkbox"/>
Employees <input type="checkbox"/>	Rules/Special Studies <input type="checkbox"/>

PROJECT BUDGET

For the performance of the scope of services detailed herein, Chrysalis proposes a firm fixed price inclusive of all costs associated with the project. Specifically, Chrysalis's fixed price includes the cost of staff to oversee, manage, and perform the specified services, the cost of office supplies, and the costs to prepare, print, and bind the final product.

Chrysalis proposes a \$27,500.00 not-to-exceed fee for the research and the preparation of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Plan for the City of Binghamton.

Binghamton's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Plan	
Personnel Costs	
Community Input and Data Collection, travel cost	\$4,000
Research, Data Analysis, Strategic Planning,	\$12,850
Phase 2: Presentation & Approval of Documents	\$3,800
Subtotal	\$20,650
Kick-off meeting and community tour	\$500
Community workshops and one-on-one interviews	\$3,600
Presentation of draft	\$500
Public hearing	\$500
Subtotal	\$5,100
Production of final documents; transcripts, copies of surveys, meetings minutes	\$800
Proofreading, Copyediting, and Substantive editing	\$950
Subtotal	\$1,750
Total Proposed Project Fee	\$27,500.00



**IN
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Dated: March 27, 2024

Sponsored by Councilmember(s): Hotchkiss, Dundon, Strawn, Mativetsky

Introduced by Committee(s) on: Planning

**RESOLUTION
*entitled***

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CHRYSALIS RESEARCH & CONSULTING, LLC. FOR THE CREATION OF AN ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING STUDY REQUIRED FOR THE 2024 HUD CONSOLIDATED PLAN

WHEREAS, the Planning Director recommends the City to enter into an agreement with CHRYSALIS RESEARCH & CONSULTING, LLC. for the creation of an Analysis Impediments to Fair Housing study required for the 2024 HUD Consolidated Plan at a cost not to exceed \$27,500;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby:

RESOLVE that the Mayor of the City of Binghamton, or his designee, is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement, approved as to form and content by the Office of Corporation Counsel, with CHRYSALIS RESEARCH & CONSULTING, LLC. for the creation of an Analysis Impediments to Fair Housing study required for the 2024 HUD Consolidated Plan at a cost not to exceed \$27,500; and that funds shall be deducted from budget lines \$20,000 - CD8686.533528.CDY49 (Admin Services) and \$7,500 - CD8686.533528.CDY47 (Admin Services) for this purpose.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available.

Chuck Shager, Comptroller

RESOLUTION

Intro. No R24-22

Perm No. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CHRYSALIS RESEARCH & CONSULTING, LLC. FOR THE CREATION OF AN ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING STUDY REQUIRED FOR THE 2024 HUD CONSOLIDATED PLAN

The within Resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Binghamton.

Sponsored by: Hotchkiss, Dundon, Strawn, Mativetsky

Date

City Clerk

Date Presented to the Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Porter				
Councilmember Middleton				
Councilmember Cavanaugh				
Councilmember Hotchkiss				
Councilmember Mativetsky				
Councilmember Kosty				
Councilmember Dundon				
Total				

Code of the City of Binghamton

Adopted Defeated

_____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abstained _____ Absent



Legislative Branch

RL Number:
62
Date Submitted:
3/20/24

City Clerk, City Hall, Binghamton, NY 13901 607-772-7005

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Applicant Presenting RL at Work Session

Kent Drake-Dreese Personnel 607-772-7067
(Print Name) (Title) (Phone number)

Signature: _____ Date: 03/06/2024

To Be Completed By Applicant

Proposed Title: Under Chapter 644, Laws of 2023 NYS retirement is authorizing the City to re-open the twenty-five year retirement plan Section 384 of the retirement and social security law for [REDACTED]

Executive Summary (Explain why legislation is necessary): See attached copies of the resolution the state wants to see to move employee into the new category. It is estimated to have a one time cost of \$42,500 and annual cost going forward of \$5,300.

Effective Date: (if applicable) _____

Budget transfer or amendment: RL Budget Transfer Worksheet **must** be attached w/ Dep. Head signature.

RL related to a grant: RL Grant Worksheet **must** be attached. Deadline for Council to act by: _____

RL related to previously adopted legislation: Perm. number _____, adoption date _____

Contract: Person/Company _____ Start/End Date _____

Total Cost _____ Funds available in Budget Line _____ Title _____

Public Hearing required? Yes No

SEQRA required? Yes No

Additional information related to this RL attached? Yes No

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Mayor:	
Comptroller:	
Corp. Counsel:	
Finance <input type="checkbox"/>	Planning <input type="checkbox"/>
MPA <input type="checkbox"/>	PW/Parks <input type="checkbox"/>
Employees <input type="checkbox"/>	Rules/Special Studies <input type="checkbox"/>

Received Date

Please type or print clearly
in blue or black ink

Employer
Location Code 20006

STATE OF NEW YORK,)
) SS:
COUNTY OF _____)

I, _____, being duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. (S)He is the chief fiscal officer of the City of Binghamton.
2. The regular fiscal year of said employer begins on _____ and ends on _____.
3. The governing board of said participating employer has elected to reopen the Retirement Plan Section 384, as set forth in Chapter 644 of the Laws of 2023.
4. Said employer has been advised by the Retirement System of the estimated cost of Chapter 644 of the Laws of 2023.
The estimated additional annual cost will be \$ 5,300.
The past service cost will be \$ 42,500, (if) paid as one installment.
5. Said estimated additional annual cost has been appropriated in the budget for said fiscal year and is available for such payment.
6. The employer will appropriate the additional amount necessary to fund the past service cost related to Chapter 644 of the Laws of 2023 in _____ annual payment(s) as part of the Annual Invoice.
(One or Ten)

Signature of the Chief Fiscal Officer _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO BE COMPLETED BY A NOTARY PUBLIC

State of _____ County of _____ On the _____ day of _____ in the year _____
before me, the undersigned, personally appeared _____
personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is (are)
subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies),
and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s)
acted, executed the instrument.

NOTARY PUBLIC (Please sign and affix stamp)

Office of the New York State Comptroller



New York State and Local Retirement System
110 State Street, Albany, New York 12244-0001

Please type or print clearly
in blue or black ink

Received Date

**Certification of Member Eligibility under
Chapter 644, Laws of 2023**

Employer
Location Code 20006

Employer Name: City of Binghamton

Plan Reopened: 384

MEMBER NAME

[REDACTED]

NYSLRS ID

R10436920

I certify that the member's previous failure to timely elect to participate in Section 384 of the Retirement and Social Security Law was not ascribable to his/her own negligence.

(Signature)

(Title)

(Date)



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: March 27, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Porter, Middleton, Cavanaugh, Hotchkiss, Mativetsky, Dundon

Introduced by Committee: Employees

RESOLUTION

entitled

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR
TO ACCEPT NEW YORK STATE RESOLUTION
TO RE-OPEN SECTION 384 OF THE
RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY LAW
FOR [REDACTED]

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill A.5762 and Senate Bill S.5605 have been introduced into the New York State Assembly and Senate respectively, for the authority to allow for the enrollment of a firefighter who failed to make a timely application to participate in such optional twenty-five year retirement plan; and

WHEREAS, [REDACTED] may elect to be covered by the provisions of section 384 of the retirement and social security law, and shall be entitled to the full rights and benefits associated with coverage under such section; and

WHEREAS, The City of Binghamton submitted a Home Rule Request to the Assembly and Senate of the New York State Legislature indicating the necessity exists for the enactment of said Legislation; and

WHEREAS, New York State Assembly and Senate approved the resolution entitled "An Act to authorize the City of Binghamton to offer an optional twenty-five year retirement plan to firefighter [REDACTED]" to allow [REDACTED] to be covered by the provisions of section 384 of the retirement and social security law.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session does hereby:

RESOLVE to authorize the Mayor of the City of Binghamton to accept New York State Resolution to re-open section 384 of the retirement and social security law for [REDACTED].

