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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015 FOR THE CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the City of Stockbridge ("City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia and is charged with providing public services to residents located within the corporate limits of the City;

WHEREAS, the City adopted its final operating budget for fiscal year 2015 on December 11, 2014;

WHEREAS, Section 6.27 (b) of the City Charter provides that the City Council by majority vote may make changes in the appropriations contained in the current operating budget at any regular meeting or special or emergency meeting called for such purposes;

WHEREAS, having complied with all necessary legal requirements, the City Council wishes to amend the 2015 budget with the budget amendment marked accordingly and attached hereto;

THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Adoption by Reference. The document attached hereto as Exhibit "A" comprised of a budget amendment numbered 2015-004 is incorporated herein by reference and is hereby adopted as an amendment to the Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 for the City of Stockbridge, Georgia.

SECTION 2. Public Record. This document shall be maintained as a public record by the City Clerk and shall be accessible to the public during all normal business hours of the City of Stockbridge.

SECTION 3. Approval of Execution. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Attestation. The City Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents which may be necessary to effectuate this ordinance, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 5. Codification and Severability.

(a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that all sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are and were upon their enactment believed by the City Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.

(b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that to the greatest extent allowed by law each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the City Council that to the greatest extent allowed by law no section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

(c) In the event that any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the City Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of the ordinance and that to the greatest extent allowed by law all remaining Sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of the ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and effect.

SECTION 5. Repeal of Conflicting Provisions. Except as otherwise provided herein, all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Stockbridge as provided in the City Charter.

SO ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

TIM THOMPSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

(SEAL)
VANESSA HOLIDAY, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MICHAEL WILLIAMS, CITY ATTORNEY

Date Presented to Mayor: _____

Date Received from Mayor: _____

CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE

BUDGET AMENDMENT

NUMBER 2015-004

DATE 08/25/2015

ACCOUNT	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	Debits	Credits
100-00000-389040		From Fund Balance		244,885
100-15100-521218	(I)	Legal, Other Litigation	59,999	
100-15100-521217	(II)	Legal	125,001	
100-42200-521230	(III)	Engineering Fees	12,500	
100-42200-521230	(IV)	Engineering Fees	13,900	
100-42200-522250	(V)	Auto and Truck Repair	33,485	
505-00000-389040		From Fund Balance		25,000
505-00000-117503	(VI)	Vehicle	25,000	
		Totals	\$269,885	\$269,885

- (I) Budget Impact - Litigation settlement.
- (II) Estimated budget impact for on-going SDS, and DDA Litigation.
- (III) Engineering Fees and assessment for City Hall Leaks - Jacobs Engineering (Encumbered in 2014 with 2014 Budget).
- (IV) Engineering Fees and assessment for Court Leaks - Jacobs Engineering (Encumbered in 2014 with 2014 Budget).
- (V) Boom truck repair, insurance reimbursement benefit received in 2014 (Encumbered in 2014 with 2014 Budget).
- (VI) Replace transmission on Alamo 22' Boom Tractor in Water / Sewer Fund.
ALAMO 22' Boom Mower Tractor (John Deere) purchased in 2011 with no warranty

Entered _____

Approved _____

EXHIBIT A
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Vanessa Holiday

From: Tim Thompson
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2015 3:23 PM
To: Vanessa Holiday
Subject: Notice of Veto
Attachments: 9.23.2015.City of Stockbridge Letter.pdf

Vanessa,

Good afternoon. Please see attached notice of veto. If you have any questions please give me a call.

With kindest regards,

Tim L. Thompson

Mayor
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From the Office of
Mayor Tim L. Thompson

City of Stockbridge

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September 23, 2015

Councilwoman Robin Buschman

Councilman Anthony S. Ford

Councilwoman LaKeisha T. Gantt

Councilwoman Regina Lewis Ward

Councilman Alphonso Thomas

Attn:

Ms. Vanessa Holiday, City Clerk
Stockbridge City Hall
4640 North Henry Boulevard
Stockbridge, Georgia 30281

Re: Veto Message

Dear Councilmembers:

On September 14, 2015, the City Council passed a budget amendment ordinance (2015-004 ordinance # OR15-371). The ordinance contained 5 line items totaling \$269,885 in additional legal spending.

I have consistently supported the proper and prudent spending of taxpayer money. Therefore, I am not in agreement with line item 100-15100-521217 providing for an additional \$125,001 in legal fees. The amount of money being spent on our city attorney is both excessive and unfair to the citizens of Stockbridge.

I hereby exercise my veto authority pursuant to Section 3.23 of the Charter and apply it to line item 100-15100-521217 of Agenda Item #7 (New Business) pertaining to budget amendment 2015-004 from the September 14, 2015 regular meeting of the City Council of Stockbridge.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Tim L. Thompson
Mayor