



City Council Communication

AGENDA DATE: May 4, 2026

LEGISTAR ITEM #: Ordinance 2771

PRESENTER: Theresa Wilson

DEPARTMENT: Finance

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing
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REQUEST

Approve a budget ordinance to amend the 2026 budget of the City of Commerce City by re-appropriating remaining American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), donations, Metro Football Stadium District (MFSD) share, CCBSD Use Tax, and grants funding balances in the General Fund, CCBSD Use Tax Fund, Police Donations Fund, Grants Fund, and Capital Expenditures Fund.

BACKGROUND

At the end of 2025, the City had remaining balances related to ARPA, donations, Metro Football Stadium District Share (MFSD), CCBSD Use Tax Fund, and grants funds. This “Carryover Ordinance” is being brought forward to carryover those remaining balances from 2025 to 2026 for continued expenditures related to these funding sources. Unlike capital project funds in the Capital Expenditures Fund, which can be carried over administratively, ARPA, donations, MFSD share, CCBSD Use Tax Fund, and grants funding lapses at year end and must be re-appropriated by Ordinance.

The city does not budget for donations and grants as part of the originally adopted annual budget. Donations and grants are appropriated as part of the “Carryover Ordinance” or as part of additional stand-alone ordinances when grant awards are received throughout the year.

Staff requests the remaining balances of these donations and grants be re-appropriated in the applicable funds for their intended programmatic purposes. These are remaining unspent balances from the end of 2025 and are not new money.

Carryover items included in Ordinance 2771 are summarized below. Please see Ordinance 2771 for more details.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION CONTINUED

General Fund

- ARPA Carryover - \$4,903,820.10
- Parks, Recreation & Golf Donations Carryover - \$113,194.69
- MFSD Share - \$14,305.94

CCBSD Use Tax Fund

- 27J Joint Use Projects – Rocky Vista High School Related - \$2,571,320.00

Capital Expenditures Fund

- ARPA Carryover - \$6,245.18

Police Donations Fund

- Public Safety Donations Carryover - \$32,443.83

Grants Fund

- Various Grants Carryover - \$1,631,625.16

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Contractor	N/A
Amount of Request/Contract	N/A
Amount Not To Exceed	N/A
Amount Budgeted	N/A
Budget Year	FY2026
Funding Source	ARPA, Donations, MFSD Share, CCBSD Use Tax Fund, and Grants Remaining Balances
Additional Funds Needed	N/A
Funding Source (if funds needed)	See funding summary included in background section and additional details in Ordinance 2771.

JUSTIFICATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Council Goal	<input type="checkbox"/> Strategic Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal
Citation	Reporting on the City’s remaining balances that lapse at year-end (ARPA, donations, MFSD share, CCBSD Use Tax Fund, and grants) and processing an annual carryover budget amendment is part of the Finance Department’s Work Plan.		

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION CONTINUED

AVAILABLE ACTIONS

- Available Action #1. Approve ordinance as submitted.
- Available Action #2. Take no action and forgo spending remaining balances; remaining ARPA and other grant funds would have to be returned to the Federal Government and other grantors.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Action #1 – Approve the ordinance as submitted.