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Budget Resolution - FY 2023/24

WHEREAS, the mission of Virginia Beach City Public Schools (VBCPS), in partnership with the entire community, is to empower every student to become a life-long learner who is a responsible, productive and engaged citizen within the global community; and

WHEREAS, the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach has adopted a comprehensive strategic plan and school improvement priorities to guide budgetary decisions; and

WHEREAS, the School Board has studied the proposed FY 2023/24 Operating Budget in view of state and federal requirements, the strategic plan, priorities, community expectations, competitive compensation for employees, and the best educational interests of its students; and

WHEREAS, the proposed FY 2023/24 Operating Budget adjusts the Instructional Experience-based Step Pay Scale to provide 1.5% between each step consistently throughout the structure without adjusting the entry rate, and adds an experience step for all eligible employees on the scale, per the recommendation of the division's compensation study consultants; and

WHEREAS, the proposed FY 2023/24 Operating Budget adjusts the Unified Experience-based Step Pay Scale to provide a 1% adjustment for pay grades 0-14 and a 1.5% adjustment for pay grades 15 and above, and adds an experience step for all eligible employees on the scale; per the recommendation of the division's compensation study consultants; and

WHEREAS, the proposed FY 2023/24 Operating Budget establishes a new pay grade on the Unified Experience-based Step Pay Scale, Professional Level II, for Behavior Intervention Specialists, School Psychologists, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, and School Social Workers, per the recommendation of the division's compensation study consultants; and

WHEREAS, the proposed FY 2023/24 Operating Budget upgrades identified positions currently on pay grade 5 of the Unified Experience-based Step Pay Scale, which includes Bus Assistants, Cafeteria Assistants, Custodian I, and Fleet Shop Helper, to pay grade 7, which is closer to meeting the \$15.00 Virginia Minimum Wage requirement by 2026, and realigns other positions impacted by said move, per the recommendation of the division's compensation study consultants; and

WHEREAS, the City/School Revenue Sharing Policy provides 46.75% of certain general fund revenues to meet obligations of the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach; and

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Budget Resolution - FY 2023/24 (Continued)

WHEREAS, the total funds requested for the FY 2023/24 Operating Budget from the City of Virginia Beach to the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach are \$512,950,115, and

WHEREAS, the debt service payment is estimated to be \$50,071,611 leaving a balance of \$462,878,504 to allocate between the Operating Budget and the Capital Improvement Program (CIP); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: That the \$462,878,504 be allocated as follows: \$460,878,504 to the FY 2023/24 Operating Budget, and \$2,000,000 to Schools' Pay-As-You-Go (PAYGO) for the CIP; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That federal funds of \$13,500,000, state funds of \$451,994,592, and other local funds of \$3,968,341 be added to the FY 2023/24 Operating Budget, bringing it to a total of \$930,341,437; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That \$333,591 of the School Reserve Special Revenue fund be added to the FY 2023/24 Operating Budget, bringing the total to \$930,675,028; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach requests a Lump Sum Appropriation of \$930,675,028 from the City Council of Virginia Beach for the School Board FY 2023/24 Operating Budget; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach requests an appropriation of \$208,666,087 for categorical grants and other special revenue funds comprised of categorical grants in the amount of \$142,411,540; Green Run Collegiate in the amount of \$4,363,929; and other special revenue funds in the amount of \$61,890,618; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach requests a Lump Sum Appropriation of \$1,139,341,115, for the total of all funds (\$930,675,028 for the Operating Budget plus \$208,666,087 for categorical grants and other special revenue funds); and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED: That a copy of this Resolution be spread across the official minutes of this School Board, and the Clerk of the School Board is directed to deliver a copy of this Resolution to the Mayor, each member of the City Council, the City Manager, and the City Clerk.

Adopted by the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach this 7th day of March 2023.

Trenace B. Riggs, School Board Chai

Attest: Franton / New M

Regina M. Toneatto, Clerk of the Board

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