

**LETTER to the DECATUR CITY COUNCIL**  
**Financial Management Department**  
**Letter #2019 - 03**

**DATE:** March 11, 2019

**TO:** Honorable Mayor Moore Wolfe and City Council Members

**FROM:** Wendy Morthland, Interim City Manager  
Gregg Zientara, City Treasurer & Director of Finance

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance Appropriating Monies for the Purpose of Defraying the Expenses of Several Departments and Funds of the City of Decatur, Illinois for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2019 and Ending December 31, 2019, Including All Outstanding Claims and Obligations and Fixing a Time When the Same Take Effect

**SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:**

City Administration recommends City Council approval of the attached Ordinance, which provides appropriation approval for the City of Decatur to spend monies providing necessary and required services to the citizens, taxpayers and stakeholders of the City of Decatur.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Ordinance attached herewith includes spending authorization for the 2019 fiscal year budget previously adopted and approved by the City Council with Council passage of Resolution No. 2018-144 dated December 3, 2018 and includes additional spending appropriations required to deliver services not included in the 2019 fiscal year budget.

A notice of Public Hearing was published in the Herald & Review on February 21, 2019, announcing a public hearing on the appropriation ordinance to be conducted on March 4, 2019 at 5:30pm in the City Council Chambers. Such Public Hearing was held.

New appropriations and changes included as follows:

Fund	Fund Name	Revenue \$	Expense \$	Comment
45	Capital project	-	800,000	streetlamp energy savings project
	Total	0	800,000	

Necessary to appropriate final payments to Johnson Controls ("JCI") for the streetlight energy savings initiative, previously envisioned for payment in fiscal year 2018. Payments did not occur in fiscal year 2018 as JCI failed to invoice city in accordance with the original payment plan.

**POTENTIAL OBJECTION:**

There are no known objections to this ordinance request.

**INPUT FROM OTHER SOURCES:**

No input from other sources.

**STAFF REFERENCES:**

Wendy Morthland, Interim City Manager  
Gregg Zientara, City Treasurer and Director of Finance

**BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS:**

The City of Decatur, as an Appropriation Municipality, as determined by prior action of the City Council, follows State of Illinois statutory requirements which define the actions required by the City Council to establish the legal authority for the City to expend monies in the fiscal year. Such statutory requirements include the approval and adoption of the annual appropriation ordinance before the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of the fiscal year.