ESTABLISHMENT OF CHAIRS OF CITY COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES FOR YEARS 2023-2027

RESOLUTION #R2023-503

RESOLUTION INTRODUCTION DATE: 3/30/2023

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COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES AND RULES
The City Council approved by a 33-11 vote, the creation of nine new committees in the upcoming term that starts in May, this will bring the total number of committees from 19 – 28. In addition, the council voted 34 – 10 to approve revisions to the council’s rules of procedure.

The cost of adding 9 new committees is an additional $2,300,000, adding to the $5.6 million already earmarked for the City Council committees in the 2023 budget. The big question is how will the additional committees be funded, and where will the money come from? The City has a forecasted budgetary shortfall of $473.5 million in 2024.

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RESOLUTION R2023-503 FISCAL IMPACT

- Additional 9 Committees  $2,300,000
  - Funding undetermined
Resolution R2023-503 is adding 9 new Committees within the City Council’s (015) for approximately $2,300,000.
RESOLUTION R2023-503 SUMMARY

- City Council Office of Financial Analysis made prior cost-saving recommendations to reduce the number of Committees for scale and efficiency. A review of the Committees should be completed to ensure there is no overlap and to determine if Committees can be merged or identified as sub-committee.

- All Committees should be defined with goals and strategy included.

- A funding source has yet to be identified for the new 9 Committees with the 2024 budgetary shortfall approaching $473.5 million,