

To the Mayor and Members of the City Council

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## SUBJECT: FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF GENERAL FUND RESERVE REQUIREMENT AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

The purpose of this Budget Response is to provide a five year history of the fund balance for the General Fund.

The table below represents the five year history of the General Fund's unassigned fund balance. The City policy's goal reserve requirement is to maintain an unassigned fund balance in the General Fund equivalent to two months (16.67%) of regular ongoing operating expenditures. The City has met the goal in fiscal years 2018 and 2019.

	FY2015	FY2016 <sup>(a)</sup>	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
Unassigned Fund Bal.	\$84,280,000	\$68,436,000	\$93,601,000	\$107,272,000	\$128,603,000
Adjustments:					
Unrealized Loss				6,171,045	1,713,018
Unavail. Rev & Others				1,755,955	(157,773)
Adj. Unassigned Fund Bal.	84,280,000	68,436,000	93,601,000	115,199,000	130,158,245
Operating Expenditures	549,049,000	565,732,000	612,876,795	627,461,243	680,715,650
Goal Amount	91,526,468	94,307,524	102,166,562	104,597,789	113,475,299
Actual %	15.35%	12.10%	15.27%	17.10%	19.12%

## Footnote:

(a) In FY16, Advances to Municipal Airport Grant Fund resulted in lower unassigned fund balance (this was a one-time occurrence). The advance to the Municipal Airport Grant Fund was to cover a construction grant cash deficit that was repaid by the granting agency.

The table below shows the Ending Fund Balance and Net Change in Fund Balance of the General Fund for the last five fiscal years. The Fund Balance is comprised of nonspendable, restricted, committed and unassigned fund balances. In FY2019, the net change in fund balance was \$21,096,000.

General Fund per CAFR	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
Beginning Fund Balance	\$86,042,000	\$124,561,000	\$131,921,000	\$135,449,000	\$152,701,000
Net Change in Fund Balance	38,519,000	7,360,000	3,528,000	17,252,000	21,096,000
Ending Fund Balance	\$124,561,000	\$131,921,000	\$135,449,000	\$152,701,000	\$173,797,000

For questions, regarding this information, please contact Reginald Zeno, Director of Financial Management Services/Chief Financial Officer, at 817-392-8500.

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**ISSUED BY THE CITY MANAGER** 

FORT WORTH, TEXAS