

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTY FIRST COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-14-22 ENACTMENT NO. _____

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1 RESOLUTION

2 RESERVING FUNDING WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND IN FY/14 TO PROVIDE
3 FOR SALARY INCREASES FOR FIRE FIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL
4 PERSONNEL, SUBJECT TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

5 WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to recognize that employees
6 of the Albuquerque Fire Department (AFD) provide critical emergency services
7 to the residents of Albuquerque; and

8 WHEREAS, these services include, but are not limited to, fire suppression,
9 emergency medical services, hazardous materials containment and technical
10 rescue; and

11 WHEREAS, the actions of AFD personnel directly results in the saving of
12 lives and property; and

13 WHEREAS, fire fighter and paramedic retirement eligibility and changes to
14 the New Mexico Public Employee Retirement Association (PERA) benefits may
15 cause an increase in the number of personnel considering retirement in the
16 near future; and

17 WHEREAS, it is a benefit to the residents of Albuquerque to maintain a
18 qualified and experienced core of first responders.

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
20 ALBUQUERQUE:

21 Section 1. That Four Hundred and Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$470,000)
22 in the FY/14 General Fund Reserve (110) is hereby unreserved.

23 Section 2. That One Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,800,000)
24 is hereby reserved within the General Fund to pay for salary increases for fire
25 fighters and emergency medical personnel, subject to the collective
26 bargaining process.

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Section 3. That the funding reserved in Section 2 above represents an amount equal to a 2.5% pay increase for all members of the Fire Union, an additional 2% increase for lieutenants and drivers in order to equalize pay differences between ranks, plus a small amount for overtime.

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