RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHING AN EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR APPROPRIATIONS EQUIVALENT TO CONCEALED CARRY FIREARM LICENSE FEES FOR THE USE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND APPROPRIATING $10,000 FROM UNANTICIPATED REVENUE INTO THE EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen

RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that pursuant to NH RSA 31:19-a, the City of Nashua hereby establishes an expendable trust fund for the use of the police department. It is the intention of this board that an annual appropriation will be made to this expendable trust fund in an amount equivalent to the estimated annual concealed carry firearm license fees. The Board of Police Commissioners is appointed as the agent to expend. Any balance remaining in this expendable trust fund at each fiscal year end will not lapse or be closed out to the General Fund, but will remain in this expendable trust fund.

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that $10,000 is appropriated from unanticipated revenue into this expendable trust fund.

As this is a resolution which supplements the budget, the following information is provided pursuant to NRO § 5-145, E:

Prior to passage of this legislation, the accumulated sum of all appropriations of the FY2016 combined annual municipal budget is $260,526,617. The FY2016 dollar amount under the limit established by City Charter Section 56-c is $50,276.
LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2015

RESOLUTION: R-15-183

PURPOSE: Establishing an expendable trust fund for appropriations equivalent to concealed carry firearm license fees for the use of the police department and appropriating $10,000 from unanticipated revenue into the expendable trust fund

SPONSOR(S): Alderman Michael Soucy Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT:

FISCAL NOTE: Establishes a restricted fund to account for appropriations designated for a specific purpose. Supplemental appropriation reduces end of year surplus. With this appropriation, the FY2016 combined annual municipal budget remains within the limitation on budget increases under Charter Sec. 56-c. Future appropriations to this fund are through the annual budget process.

ANALYSIS

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Charter Sec. 53 permits specific non-budget, supplementary appropriations. No public hearing is required under Charter Sec. 56-a. A two-thirds vote is required under Charter Sec. 56-b for an item or amount not in the mayor's budget. A roll call is required under Charter Sec. 49. The supplementary appropriation is part of the combined annual budget for spending cap purposes.

Prior to June 8, 2015, state law (RSA 159:6) provided that these license fees were for the use of the police department of the city. Since a state law change effective June 8, 2015, the license fees are now for the use of the city overall. Generally, license and permit fees paid to the city, such as through the city clerk’s office or the community development division, are accounted for as anticipated revenue in the annual budget and used to offset the amount the city would need to raise through property taxation.
RESOLUTION

Approved as to account structure, numbers, and amount:

Financial Services Division

By: [Signature]

Approved as to form:

Office of Corporation Counsel

By: [Signature]

Date: October 7, 2015
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