

To: President and Members of the Munster Town Council

From: Patricia Abbott, Controller

Date: May 19, 2025

Re: Ordinance 1984: Additional Appropriations (3)

There are two funds in need of additional appropriations.

The LIT Economic Development Fund is requesting additional appropriations in the amount of \$29,000.00. This is for the Strategic Planning work by HWC approved by Council at the February 3, 2025, meeting.

The Riverboat Fund is requesting \$102,000.00 in additional appropriations. In February of 2025, the town received invoices for tree removal work completed in 2024 totaling \$55,505.00. The 2025 budget did not contemplate paying tree removal costs for both 2024 and 2025. The request will reestablish the 2025 budget for work to be completed in 2025. The Town has a new vendor for these services and does not expect this to be an issue moving forward. In addition, the landscaping work done to close Terrace Drive (\$46,100.00) was not included in the 2025 budget.

The procedure for securing additional appropriations requires a public hearing, scheduled for June 2, 2025, and the adoption of an ordinance by the Town Council. Once the ordinance is adopted, the request will be submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance. These two funds are considered reporting only funds, and the appropriations will go into effect upon passage of the ordinance.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By motion and roll call vote, hear proposed Ordinance 1984 for additional appropriations on first reading, and schedule a public hearing and second reading for June 2, 2025.