CITY OF CARSON		POLICY/PROCEDURE
NUMBER: 1.1		SUBJECT BUDGET TRANSFERS
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I. <u>Purpose and Scope</u>

- A. To establish the policy and assign responsibilities for the processing and authorizing of budget transfers.
- B. To delineate the types of budget transfers that can be handled administratively and those that must be approved by the City Council.

II. General

- A. The budget preparation process requires and allows time for departments to analyze budget needs and to budget funds for all planned programs and activities.
- B. The approved budget should be adhered to as a sound business practice. Special emphasis should be placed upon detailed planning and analysis to assure that all costs are initially budgeted so that the need for budget transfers are minimized.
- C. To facilitate accounting and financial controls, budget transfers shall be processed and approved as set forth herein.
 - 1. Budget Transfers Which Shall Be Approved By City Council.
 - a. Transfers between funds.
 - b. Transfers changing the basic purpose of the budget, such as:
 - i. Transfers affecting salaries that would amend the table of organization.
 - ii. Transfers which establish a new program or activity or delete an existing program or activity.



- c. Any budget transfer which the City Administrator designates as requiring City Council approval.
- 2. Budget Transfers which may be approved by the City Administrator, or his designee.
 - a. Any transfer not enumerated in Section C.1 above.
 - b. Any transfer which does not alter the total appropriations of a fund.
- 3. All requests for budget transfers shall be initially submitted to the Director of Finance for review and approval before being further processed.
- 4. Transfers approved by the City Administrator shall be implemented administratively.
- 5. Transfers requiring City Council approval shall be handled as Council agenda items.
- IV. Exceptions

There shall be no exceptions to this policy

V. <u>Authority</u>

By authority of the City Administrator

Lawrence G. Olson

City Administrator