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AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Date: June 21, 2021
To: Oakland City Councilmembers
From: Councilmember Loren Taylor
Subject: Proposed Budget Amendment To Prioritize Funding a Fifth Police Academy

Colleagues on the City Council:

I am grateful for all of the hard work and effort that has gone into the current budget process. As we move forward with the shared goal and commitment to reimagine public safety we must proceed in a way that does not leave our residents with less support than they are currently receiving. The feedback that we received from members of our Reimagining Public Safety Taskforce in the most impacted areas was that they do not want changes that would detrimentally affect response times without an equivalent response plan in place. After review and analysis of the current budget, and consultation with a broad range of Oakland residents losing a fifth academy will be detrimental to public safety and thus I am proposing an additional amendment on top of the current Council amendments.

I propose a shift from the current Council amendments to move one academy from the year 2 budget into year 1, thus there would be three academies in year 1 and 2 academies in year 2. (Please see Attachment 1.)

Below is my proposed policy directive to City Administration that uses any new available revenue to fund a fifth academy in budget year 2.

- Direct City Administrator to first allocate any new unanticipated revenue to funding a 5th police academy in Budget Year 2022-23 before allocating it to any other purpose.

Yours in Service,

Loren Taylor
Councilmember District 6

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