



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON  
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 9.C.  
For Meeting of: April 7, 2026

**ITEM TITLE:** Ordinance amending the 2025-2026 Biennial Budget for the City of Yakima; and making appropriations from unappropriated fund balances in various funds for expenditures during 2026, including 2025 encumbrances (First Reading)

**SUBMITTED BY:** \*Craig Warner, Director of Finance and Budget

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION:**

During the 2025–2026 Biennial Budget adoption process, certain projects, expenditures, and encumbrances were not known or could not reasonably have been anticipated. The attached ordinance appropriates available unappropriated fund balances to address these needs.

The First Quarter Budget Amendment includes increasing revenue and expenses to account for grants, carryover from 2025 fund balances for expenses that will be incurred in 2026, and Council actions to use one time funding to retain certain operations.

RCW 35.33.091 authorizes budget amendments in cases of emergency or unforeseen circumstances. The City Council must approve such amendments by ordinance.

**ITEM BUDGETED:** No

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25:** A Resilient Yakima

**RECOMMENDATION:** No action necessary - first reading.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

[MEMO- 2026 Carryforward 2025 encumbrances.pdf](#)  
[Ordinance\\_2026\\_Budget\\_Amendment\\_Q1.docx](#)  
[JP- 2026 1st Qtr Budget Amendment and PO Encumbrance.pdf](#)  
[2026 Revised Budget By Fund 1st QTR.pdf](#)