

ORDINANCE NO. 5887

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE FINANCE OFFICER TO REPORT INTERDEPARTMENTAL CHARGES TO THE COMMON COUNCIL BY ADDING SECTION 2.40.085 TO THE RAPID CITY MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, the City of Rapid City has adopted an ordinance requiring the Finance Officer to make certain reports to the Common Council concerning the financial condition of the City of Rapid City; and

WHEREAS, Interdepartmental Charges, including Payments in Lieu of Property Taxes (PILT) charges, comprise a significant portion of the general fund budget at the expense of the enterprise funds; and

WHEREAS, Interdepartmental Charges are necessary for the functioning of City government, as they spread the expense of general fund resources used by all departments over the users of those resources; and

WHEREAS, Interdepartmental Charges have had significant fluctuations from year to year in past budgets; and

WHEREAS, PILT charges have the potential to be redundant to the other Interdepartmental Charges; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council's philosophy regarding Interdepartmental Charges may change over time; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to the community and to the Common Council to have a report during the annual appropriations process regarding Interdepartmental Charges to ensure transparency and accountability; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council desires to require such a report detailing Interdepartmental Charges, including PILT charges, in the upcoming calendar year to be given by the Finance Officer.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Rapid City that Section 2.40.085 be and is hereby added to the Rapid City Municipal Code to read as follows:


2.40.085 Finance Officer – Report of Estimated Interdepartmental Charges required.

The Finance Officer shall provide a report to the Common Council detailing the estimated Interdepartmental Charges, including Payments in Lieu of Property Taxes (PILT), as contained in the budget proposed for the upcoming year. This report shall be provided to the Council during the annual appropriations process, no sooner than the introduction of the budget

and no later than the first reading of the annual appropriations ordinance. The report shall contain the following information:

1. The estimated amount of Interdepartmental Charges and PILTs by department for the upcoming budget year;
2. The amount of Interdepartmental Charges and PILTs by department for the previous 5 years.

ATTEST:



Finance Officer

CITY OF RAPID CITY



Mayor

(SEAL)

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