First Reading: December 8, 2020 Second Reading: December 15, 2020 ALTERNATE 2A

ORDINANCE NO. 13628

AN ORDINANCE, TO AMEND THE OPERATIONS BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 13558, KNOWN AS "THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 OPERATIONS BUDGET ORDINANCE, SO AS TO APPROPRIATE ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,700,000.00) FOR ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION.

WHEREAS, President Trump declared COVID-19 a public health emergency under the Public Health Services Act on January 31, 2020, issued two national emergency declarations under both the Stafford Act and the National Emergencies Act on March 13, 2020, and invoked emergency powers via an Executive Order under the Defense Production Act on March 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Bill Lee issued an Executive Order declaring a state of emergency to facilitate the treatment and containment of COVID 19; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, Mayor Andy Berke declared a state of emergency to the City of Chattanooga in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and as the COVID-19 crisis continues; and

WHEREAS, the City has received \$2.5 million in reimbursements from the State Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) that were not anticipated in the initial budget, and:

WHEREAS, receipt of these funds provide an opportunity to address additional COVID and other concerns the city could not afford due to revenue shortfalls during the pandemic such as compensation for employees who work in an at risk environment that continues to be adversely affected by COVID-19, and; WHEREAS, it is desirable to increase the City's estimated revenues for operations by \$1,700,000.00 and appropriating same for one time pay supplement for eligible employees.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE that Ordinance NO 13358 be amended as follows:

<u>SECTION 1:</u> That there be and is hereby approved an amendment to Ordinance No. 13558 to add SECTION 7(f) as follows:

This ordinance provides funding for an additional one time lump sum pay supplement to eligible employees still employed with the city as of the date of passage of this ordinance as follows:

- (a) \$500.00 for employees whose jobs are not eligible for "work from home" status during the pandemic
- (b) \$400.00 for employees whose jobs are eligible for "work from home"

<u>SECTION 2</u>: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the City Finance Officer is authorized to transfer funds from General Fund to Special Revenue funds to avoid a deficit in operations as a result of the additional one time lump sum pay supplement to eligible employees still employed with the city as of the date of passage of this ordinance.

SECTION 3: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately after passage on second reading as provided by the law.

PASSED on Second and Final Reading: December 15, 2020

CHAIRPERSON DISAPPROVED: **APPROVED:** MAYOR

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