

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

Agenda #7 Transfer of \$208,500.00 in the funds of Health and Hospital Services In City Council January 12 1976

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mrs. Ackermann	✓			
Mr. Clem	✓			
Mr. Clinton		✓		
Mr. Danehy				✓
Mr. Duehay	✓			
Mrs. Graham	✓			
Mr. Russell	✓			
Mr. Sullivan	✓			
Mr. Vellucci	✓			

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INTRODUCED BY CITY MANAGER JAMES L. SULLIVAN

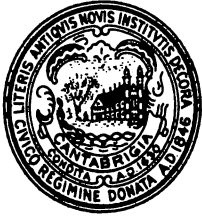
AN ORDER CONCERNING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINING JULY 1, 1975

ORDERED: That the following transfer be made in the General Fund of the City of Cambridge:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Health & Hospital Services Salaries & Wages	\$208,500	Health & Hospital Services Travel & Training Other Ordinary Maintenance Extraordinary Expenditures	\$ 20,000 183,500 5,000 <u>208,500</u>

REASON(S)

The above transfer is necessitated for the following reasons: 1) Improvements in coding at the Hospital which will provide for more accurate accountability, 2) Unexpected increases in certain Hospital cost centers, and 3) At the time of the budget preparation no data base existed for new programs; thus it was difficult to accurately project costs.



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
JAMES L. SULLIVAN
City Manager

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To the Honorable, the City Council:

The attached transfer is necessitated for the following reasons:

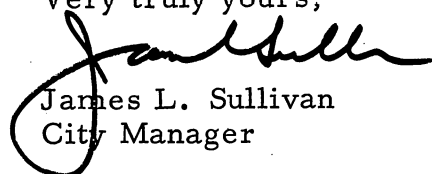
The transfer to Travel and Training is due chiefly to unexpected increases in Hospital Association fees, as well as the intention to send Hospital personnel to selected workshops and conferences in order to enhance their professional capabilities.

The transfer to Other Ordinary Maintenance is due mainly to increased costs, as well as improvements, in computer coding which will provide for more accurate accountability and, consequently, better management. One area where costs are higher than originally projected is Nuclear Medicine. This function is new to the Hospital, and at the time of budget preparation the department's implementation schedule was uncertain and no data base was available from which to facilitate accurate projections of costs. Currently, the buildup of the facility as an active, valuable and income-producing function is proceeding faster than the Hospital had reason to hope for at the beginning of the year. An area where improved coding has been established is in the operating room. Prior to this transfer, medical and surgical supplies were charged to general overhead accounts. The revised method provides for direct charges to the Operating Room, thus providing for more accurate accountability. Additionally, improved coding has been established for medical and surgical supplies used in nursing centers that cannot be charged off directly to patients.

The transfer to Extraordinary Expenditures is to cover the cost of the purchase of the Autoanalyser automated blood testing system that the Hospital had been using on a lease basis. Since it is far more economical to own this equipment than to lease it, we have taken the opportunity to take title.

Favorable action on this matter is strongly recommended.

Very truly yours,


James L. Sullivan
City Manager

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In City Council,
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