

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary		RCA#	
Subject: Approve an Ordinance to Appropriate Funds from the FY2016 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund (1800) for the Purchase of Network Equipment Spares for Houston Information Technology Services		Category #	Page 1 of 2 Agenda Item
FROM (Department or other point of origin): Tina Carkhuff Interim Director Houston Information Technology Services		Origination Date October 8, 2015	Agenda Date
<u>DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE</u>		Council District(s) affected All	
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<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> (Summary) Approve an Ordinance to appropriate \$40,000.00 from the FY2016 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund (1800) for the Purchase of Network Equipment Spares for Houston Information Technology Services.			
Award Amount: N/A			Finance Budget
<u>Funding:</u> \$40,000.00 - FY2016 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund (1800)			
<u>SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:</u> The Interim Director of Houston Information Technology Services recommends that City Council approve an ordinance to appropriate \$40,000.00 from the FY2016 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund (1800) for the purchase of network equipment spares. This appropriation is budgeted in the FY2016 Capital Improvement Plan Budget adopted by City Council on July 8, 2015. In an effort to provide continuous network support, Houston Information Technology Services (HITS) is requesting to purchase spare network switches to avoid service outages in the event an existing device fails. Having the switches on hand would reduce downtime and provide secure efficient business operations by mitigating network threats and outages, as well as manage network traffic and capacity issues. HITS is currently working with the Strategic Purchasing Division (SPD) to procure the devices. WBS # X-680032*			
REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION			
Finance Department:	Other Authorization:		Other Authorization: