

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE CITY CODE TO PROVIDE FOR THE EQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUNDS AMONG THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL**

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Sponsor:

Council  
Member  
Gray

**WHEREAS**, the members of Council have long provided support to various causes and events that offer benefit, and are of importance, to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, this support has been effectuated in part through the distribution of funds budgeted for Council to support various causes and events (“Community Support Funds”); and

**WHEREAS**, Community Support Funds are designated in the current annual operating budget under several Accounts including “Misc. Projects”, “Community Services”, “Community Paid Activities”, “Grants to Agencies”, “Grants-Scholarships Programs”, and “Community Activities”; and

**WHEREAS**, Council believes the expenditure of these funds will attain a greater impact in each Councilmanic district/community if equally allocated among the individual members of Council; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council deems it necessary and appropriate to enact legislation to provide for the equal allocation of Community Support Funds among the members of Council so that individual Council members may distribute such funds in accordance with the wishes and desires of their districts/communities, subject to any procedures regarding the awarding of such funds/grants set forth in the annual operating budget and/or the City Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON  
HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 2 of the City Code is hereby amended by adding a new Section 2-36 as follows:

**Sec. 2-36. – Allocation of Community Support Funds among the Members of City Council.**

The amount appropriated to City Council in the annual operating budget as Community Support Funds shall be equally divided among the thirteen members of Council to be used as Community Support Funds by such members, subject to any procedures regarding the awarding of such funds/grants set forth in the annual operating budget and/or the City Code.

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage by City Council and approval by the Mayor.

First Reading..... November 21, 2019  
Second Reading..... November 21, 2019  
Third Reading.....

Passed by City Council,

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President of City Council

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

**SYNOPSIS:** This Ordinance amends the City Code to provide for equal distribution of the funds appropriated to City Council in the annual operating budget as Community Support Funds among the thirteen Council members, subject to any procedures regarding the awarding of such funds/grants as set forth in the annual budget and/or the City Code.