

Introduced by: Penrose Hollins
Date of Introduction: January 11, 2011

ORDINANCE NO. 11-

**AMEND THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET:
REVISE SPECIAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, New Castle County and the Police Athletic League of Delaware (PAL) have had a lease agreement since 2001 for the use of the PAL facilities located in Hockessin and Garfield Park; and

WHEREAS, while PAL owns the buildings, New Castle County owns the land on which the buildings are located; and

WHEREAS, New Castle County pays PAL a monthly lease for the use of both facilities; and

WHEREAS, the New Castle County's Department of Community Services operates sports and recreational programming and adult activities centers at both locations which serves over 3456 adults and 1016 kids during the winter season through programming and leagues and a lending library at the Garfield location; and

WHEREAS, New Castle County and the PAL Board have been negotiating a new lease agreement for the past few months to better address the use of the buildings and monthly payments; and

WHEREAS, during those negotiations, New Castle County became aware that PAL had become delinquent in paying the utility bills to Delmarva Power; and

WHEREAS, in September 2010, the County Executive and County Council asked the County Auditor to review the financial statements and past audits of PAL to better understand PAL's financial situation; and

WHEREAS, while this review by the County Auditor is still ongoing, New Castle County feels that it is in the best interest of the residents who benefit from both the PAL and New Castle County programming to pay Delmarva Power the outstanding balance in order to avoid interruption of utility services and programming; and

WHEREAS, the Controlling Officers of PAL agree that as a condition of the approval of this ordinance, which provides funding for Delmarva, the New Castle County Auditor will be provided a copy of the 2010 PAL Audit no later than January 10, 2011. The Controlling Officers of PAL further agree that if after reviewing the Audit, the County Auditor may request further information from PAL, and said information must be provided within four calendar days; and

WHEREAS, the revenue measures heretofore adopted by the County Council, together with any Tax Stabilization Reserves are, in the opinion of the County Executive, estimated to yield sums at least sufficient to balance the proposed expenditures as set forth in the Annual Operating Budget as hereinafter amended.

THE COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Annual Operating Budget Ordinance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, is hereby amended by deleting the matter stricken and adding the matter underlined on the attached Exhibit "A".

Section 2. The foregoing amendment shall be considered a part of the Annual Operating Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and shall be effective as though incorporated initially in the Annual Operating Budget Ordinance.

Section 3. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon the date of its adoption by County Council and approval by the County Executive, or as otherwise provided in 9 *Del. C.* Section 1156.

Adopted by County Council
of New Castle County on:

President of County Council
of New Castle County

Approved on:

County Executive
New Castle County

SYNOPSIS: Adjust the FY2011 Operating Budget by appropriating funds in the amount of \$101,620 to the Communications and Utilities line within the Department of Special Services, Division of Facilities Management for the PAL facilities.

FISCAL NOTE:

This ordinance, if adopted, would amend the FY2011 Operating Budget by appropriating funds in the amount of \$101,620 to the Communications and Utilities line within the Department of Special Services, Division of Facilities Management for the PAL facilities. These funds are to be utilized for increased utility costs at the PAL facilities in FY2011. Payment will be made directly to Delmarva Power.

This ordinance, if approved, would reduce the FY2011 Tax Stabilization Reserve Account by \$101,620.



DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES

Personal Services - Salaries & Wages		\$	20,704,011
Personal Services - Employee Benefits			10,262,929
Training and Civic Expenses			40,226
Communications & Utilities	—21,750,974		<u>21,852,594</u>
Materials & Supplies			4,161,239
Contractual Services			10,763,800
Equipment Replacement/Addition			1,176,373
Grants & Fixed Charges			1,333,900
Debt Service			
Land & Structures			60,000
Contingency			20,000
Intragovernmental Services			(8,799,973)
Total	—61,473,479	\$	<u>61,575,099</u>
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		422	

DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE

Personal Services - Salaries & Wages		\$	8,009,570
Personal Services - Employee Benefits			3,953,183
Training and Civic Expenses			32,001
Communications & Utilities			152,425
Materials & Supplies			171,108
Contractual Services			1,463,740
Equipment Replacement/Addition			6,075
Grants & Fixed Charges			35,000
Debt Service			
Land & Structures			
Contingency			0
Intragovernmental Services			
Total		\$	13,823,102
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		138	

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Personal Services - Salaries & Wages		\$	6,373,193
Personal Services - Employee Benefits			2,758,694
Training and Civic Expenses			11,800
Communications & Utilities			897,831
Materials & Supplies			881,738
Contractual Services			3,554,358
Equipment Replacement/Addition			6,500
Grants & Fixed Charges			2,795,344
Debt Service			
Land & Structures			
Contingency			
Intragovernmental Services			
Total		\$	17,279,458
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		155	

SUB-TOTAL NEW CASTLE COUNTY

Personal Services - Salaries & Wages		\$	92,665,211
Personal Services - Employee Benefits			45,156,492
Training and Civic Expenses			453,091
Communications & Utilities	29,133,369		<u>29,234,989</u>
Materials & Supplies			6,167,065
Contractual Services			33,918,353
Equipment Replacement/Addition			1,654,474
Grants & Fixed Charges			11,291,232
Debt Service			36,252,944
Land & Structures			60,000
Contingency			1,069,250
Intragovernmental Services			(20,675,231)

<i>Sub-Total Operating Budget</i>	<i>237,146,250</i>	\$	<u>237,247,870</u>
<i>Total Authorized Full-Time Positions</i>		1588	

RESERVE ACCOUNTS

Tax Stabilization Reserve Account	31,062,356		<u>30,960,736</u>
Sewer Rate Stabilization Reserve Account			8,968,008
General Fund Budget Reserve Account			32,158,612
Sewer Fund Budget Reserve Account			13,148,296

<i>Sub-Total Reserves:</i>	<i>85,337,272</i>		<u>85,235,652</u>
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TOTAL NEW CASTLE COUNTY WITH RESERVES

Personal Services - Salaries & Wages		\$	92,665,211
Personal Services - Employee Benefits			45,156,492
Training and Civic Expenses			453,091
Communications & Utilities	29,133,369		<u>29,234,989</u>
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Contingency			1,069,250
Reserves	85,337,272		<u>85,235,652</u>
Intragovernmental Services			(20,675,231)

<i>Total Operating Budget with Reserves:</i>		\$	322,483,522
<i>Total Authorized Full-Time Positions</i>		1588	