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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: Supervisor Jennifer DeSena and Members of the Town Board,
Rich Nicollelo, Town Attorney

From: Councilman Robert Troiano, District 1

CC: Joseph Scalero, Deputy Supervisor/Chief of Staff
Steve Pollack, Director of Governmental Research
Kelly Gillen
Estefany Garay

RE: Budget Amendment Proposal for ReWorld Donation to Youth Programs at Yes We Can

Background:

Earlier this year, ReWorld generously donated \$5,000 to the Town, specifically designated for youth programs at Yes We Can. However, because the donation was received late in the fiscal year, the Parks Department will be unable to allocate these funds to the intended program during the current fiscal year ending December 31, 2024. According to the Town's accounting policy, any surplus or deficit in the Parks Department's operating budget will be closed out to the General Fund at the end of the fiscal year. This policy means the \$5,000 donation, if not utilized by the end of 2024, will be unavailable for its designated purpose in 2025.

To ensure the funds are used as originally intended, I am requesting an amendment to the budget so that the \$5,000 donation can be carried over and used by the Parks Department in 2025 for a youth activity at Yes We Can, as originally designated by ReWorld.

Proposed Action:

Increase line A.05.7141.4909 (Recreational Programs - Other) by \$5,000, which will allow for the donation to be available to fund youth programming at Yes We Can in 2025.

Reduce line A.0909 (Unassigned General Fund Balance) by \$5,000, which corresponds to the amount that would be closed out to the General Fund at the end of 2024.

Justification:

Ensuring the Donation is Used as Intended:

The \$5,000 donation was specifically designated by ReWorld for youth programs at Yes We Can, and this proposal ensures that the funds will be available for their intended purpose in 2025, despite being received too late for use in 2024. Without this amendment, the funds would be lost in the Unassigned General Fund Balance, undermining the original intent of the donation.

Aligning with ReWorld's Intent:

ReWorld made the donation with the clear expectation that it would support youth programming at Yes We Can. This budget amendment honors that intent, ensuring that the funds are directed towards the youth activity as intended, rather than being absorbed into the general budget.

Conclusion:

This budget amendment allows for the \$5,000 donation from ReWorld to be used as originally intended, funding a youth activity at Yes We Can in 2025. By reallocating these funds from the Unassigned General Fund Balance, we ensure the Town can meet both its accounting requirements and the expectations of the donor. I respectfully request approval of this amendment to facilitate the continued support of youth programming in our community.

If you have any questions, please email or call my office at 516-869-7701.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Irvin" with a stylized flourish at the end.