AN AMENDMENT

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DATE: July 21, 2020

OFFERED BY: Councilmember Elissa Silverman

TO: B23-0761, the “Fiscal Year 2021 Local Budget Act of 2020”

VERSION: Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute: X

Amendment

In Fiscal Year 2021:

- Subtract $200,000 from the one-time enhancement to support the Washington Economic Partnership (Agency EB0, Program 5000, Activity 5095, CSG 50) and
- Add $200,000 in one-time funds for grants to businesses to purchase personal protective equipment for employees (Agency EB0, Program 5000, Activity 5085, CSG 50).

Rationale

This amendment provides funds for grants to small and certified business enterprises for the purchase or reimbursement of personal protective equipment (PPE) for employees.

In light of the coronavirus emergency, Councilmember Silverman is considering moving emergency legislation on July 28 to promote worker safety such as by providing employees with PPE, including masks, and other safety measures. This funding would help small businesses provide certain PPE to their workers.

This amendment reduces the Economic Partnership’s additional earmark from $1.76 million to $1.56 million, on top of the $1.44 million proposed in the Mayor’s proposed FY2021 budget.

Fiscal Impact
This amendment’s fiscal impact is balanced.
TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Jennifer Budoff - Budget Director

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Conclusion
This amendment does not have an adverse impact on the District’s fiscal year 2021 budget or four-year financial plan because there is no cost to implementing.

Background
The amendment would reallocate $200,000 (one-time) of the Council’s FY 2021 enhancements to the Deputy Mayor for Economic Development (DMPED)’s Program #5000 - Project Investment, as approved at first reading.

The amendment would reduce the Council’s $1.76 million enhancement (one-time) for the Washington, D.C. Economic Partnership (WDCEP) by $200,000. WDCEP is a non-profit public-private organization that provides business attraction and retention services, business assistance, research, and data. It is budgeted under DMPED’s Activity 5095 Washington DC Economic Partnership.

The amendment would enhance DMPED’s Activity 5085 Grants by $200,000 to provide businesses with grants for purchasing personal protective equipment (PPE) for their staff.

There is no cost to implementing this amendment since it reallocates budget authority on a one-to-one basis.