

ORDINANCE NO. 2993

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATE \$22,723.60 TO THE SALISBURY ZOO'S OPERATING BUDGET TO COVER UNEXPECTED COSTS AND EXPENSES CAUSED BY THE FEBRUARY 2026 WINTER STORM.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Charter of the City of Salisbury, the Mayor and City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Zoo sustained severe damage to its infrastructure caused by the February 2026 winter storm requiring significant repair costs and expenses; and

WHEREAS, without infusion of additional funds, the Zoo's current approved budget is projected to be insufficient to meet operational needs for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2026; and

WHEREAS, unlike the prior fiscal year, there are no available excess appropriations within other Zoo personnel or operating accounts to transfer to cover this shortfall; and

WHEREAS, financial projections prepared by City staff indicate the need for additional appropriations to the following accounts:

Account 40000-523602 — Tree Trimming: \$19,000.00 to cover all costs to downed trees

Account 40000-534311 — Lands and Grounds: \$2189.62 to cover costs associated with damage to fencing at the zoo

Account 40000-546012- Equipment and Maintenance: \$1533.98 to cover costs of replacement fencing

WHEREAS, the allocation of additional funds will be funded from surplus; and

WHEREAS, the appropriations necessary herein must be made upon recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 1. Upon the recommendation of the Mayor, the City Council hereby appropriates funds from the General Fund unassigned surplus as follows:

Account	Account Description	Increase/Decrease	Amount
40000-523602	Tree Trimming	Increase	\$19,000.00
40000-534311	Lands and Grounds	Increase	\$ 2,189.62
40000-546012	Equipment and Maintenance	Increase	\$1533.98
01000-469810	Current Year Surplus	Increase	\$22,723.60

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 2. It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.

Section 3. It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable.

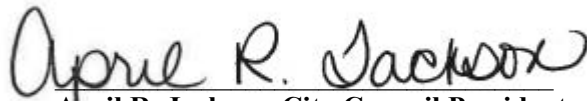
Section 4. The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Ordinance as if such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 4.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage.

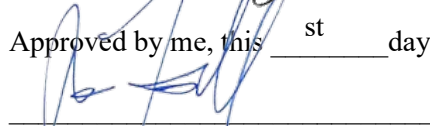
THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 27 day of April, 2026 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City of Salisbury on the 11 day of May, 2026.

ATTEST:


Julie A. English, City Clerk


April R. Jackson, City Council President

Approved by me, this _____st day of _____ June _____, 2026.


Randolph J. Taylor, Mayor