

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN
Resolution No. 22-R-04

Date Introduced:	February 28, 2022
Sponsored By:	Mayor Patrick L. McGrady
Amendments Adopted:	None
Date Adopted:	March 14, 2022
Date Effective:	March 14, 2022

A RESOLUTION concerning

**OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT –
LOCAL ABATEMENT FUND**

FOR the purpose of establishing a dedicated fund for the receipt and disbursement of, and accounting for, proceeds from the settlements of litigation involving Janssen and certain Opioid distributors and pursuant to a State-Subdivision Agreement for the distribution of settlement funds.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: Pursuant to Resolution No. 22-02, adopted January 24, 2012, the Mayor and Council authorized the Mayor to negotiate and execute National Settlements and a State-Subdivision Agreement on behalf of the City to settle National litigation regarding the impact of the distribution and use of Opioids with Janssen and certain Opioid Distributors (Johnson & Johnson, Amerisource Bergen, Cardinal Health and McKesson) (“National Settlements”), and to implement the distribution of funds (“settlement funds”) to local governments in Maryland received through the National Settlements. Under the National Settlements and State-Subdivision Agreement the City will receive settlement funds and be eligible for grants to combat future Opioid use within the City. The National Settlements require the City to establish a dedicated fund from which such settlement funds will be received, disbursed and accounted for.

Now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN that there is hereby established in and for the City of Aberdeen a dedicated National Settlements Opioid Abatement Fund (“Abatement Fund”). The purpose of this dedicated Abatement Fund is to receive, disburse and account for settlement funds paid to the City of Aberdeen under the National Settlements.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Council.

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READ AND PASSED this 14th day of March, 2022.

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN

Patrick L. McGrady, Mayor

Adam M. Hiob, Councilman

Jason W. Kolligs, Councilman

Sandra J. Landbeck, Councilwoman

Timothy W. Lindecamp, Councilman

ATTEST:

SEAL:

Monica A. Correll

Monica A. Correll, City Clerk

Date March 14, 2022