



## Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

### Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 8/20/2019

#### New Business

**Department:** Budget

**Presenter(s):** Jennifer Barnette

**Contact(s):** Jennifer Barnette

**Subject:** Additional operations funding for Asheville Buncombe Technical Community College

#### **Brief Summary:**

AB Tech's finance officer, Dirk Wilmoth, presented a request for additional funding in support of operations to the County Manager on August 06, 2019. After review and consideration, the recommendation is to allocate additional funding for the following items for a total amount of \$300,000.

- \$250,000

Mr. Wilmoth presented information during the budget cycle that the cellular communications costs were previously being paid from state funds which is not allowable. The dollars presented in a revised budget from Mr. Wilmoth on August 09, 2019 includes \$250,000 for cellular communications. Following our meeting on August 06, 2019, Mr. Wilmoth was able to identify areas for cellular communication reductions and those are reflected in a revised budgetary request.

- \$50,000

It is estimated that \$50,000 is needed to cover the cost of a 1% salary/fringe increase for AB Tech county funded positions. During FY2020 budget conversations with AB Tech, our commitment to them was to evaluate the ability to support any salary/fringe increased cost following budget adoption and in association with state approved cost of living increases.

**Recommended Motion & Requested Action:** Approve the budget amendment in the amount of \$300,000 as a transfer of General Fund dollars from Public Safety Training Center to AB Tech.

**County Manager's comments and Recommendation:** County manager approves as presented.