

# Staff Budget For McKeldin Is Increased <sup>Sun</sup> By \$13,532

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The Board of Estimates yesterday authorized Mayor McKeldin to increase his office staff budget by \$13,532.

Mayor McKeldin said he needed the extra money because his staff contains two persons more than former Mayor Goodman's, because the salaries of some of his people are higher than those of the workers they replaced, and because severance pay was given to some of the departed Goodman workers.

## White Got \$10,000

The highest paid member of Mayor McKeldin's staff is John C. Ahlers, who received \$12,500. Mr. Ahlers is the Mayor's administrative assistant and press secretary. Before joining Mayor McKeldin he was an aide to Senator Beall.

Mayor Goodman's public relations assistant was James R. White, who received \$10,000 for part-time work.

The other staff members who Mayor McKeldin brought to the City Hall with him are:

Robert O. Bonnell, administrative assistant, \$10,000; Mrs. Mildred K. Mombberger, secretary to the Mayor, \$7,500; Earle R. Poorbaugh, assistant secretary, \$6,000; Miss Jean Flax, secretary-stenographer, \$4,680, and Miss Harriett Scherr, senior clerk-stenographer, \$3,600.

## Eight Retained

Mr. Bonnell was chairman of the State Roads Commission while Mr. McKeldin was Governor in the 1950's. Mr. Poorbaugh was with the Maryland Department of Economic Development.

While bringing in six new staff workers, Mayor McKeldin dismissed three who had been with Mayor Goodman and retained eight.

The staff now numbers three more than the Goodman staff, though the Mayor's request to the board yesterday said it would include only two extra workers. The Mayor would not say who would be dismissed.

## Holdovers Listed

Holdovers from the Goodman staff are:

Stanley Z. Mazer, executive secretary in charge of human renewal, \$8,500; State Senator Joseph A. Bertorelli (D., First, Baltimore), special legislative assistant, \$6,000; John C. Lyons, assistant secretary, \$6,000; Miss Mildred Gardiner, secretary-stenographer, \$5,300; Walter E.

Beuchelt, assistant secretary, \$5,225; Elmer Altreith, assistant secretary, \$4,950.

Also, Mrs. Mary B. Zacharski, principal clerk-stenographer, \$4,530; and Miss Sonja Reynolds, senior clerk-stenographer, \$3,828.

The 1963 budget for the Mayor and his staff amounted to \$101,794 until the \$13,532 increase granted yesterday. Of the total, Mayor McKeldin receives \$25,000 and is allowed \$9,500 incidental expenses.

Yesterday's appropriation will come from the city contingency fund.