



EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION – REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
CITY HALL – 220 E. FIRST AVENUE
March 7, 2022 – 6:30 PM

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Invocation** – Reverend Mark Somerville with Family Worship Center
4. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Circle Middle School Student Council

Proclamations and Recognition

5. [Severe Weather Preparedness Week Proclamation](#)
6. Special Recognition

Personal Appearances. Personal appearances are opportunities for organizations or citizens to make special presentations before the City Commission. Such appearances are scheduled in advance of the meeting by calling City Clerk Tabitha Sharp at (316) 321-9100 by 5:00 pm the Tuesday preceding the meeting. Presentations are limited to ten minutes. Any presentation is for information purposes only; no action will be taken.

7. None

8. Public Comments. Persons who wish to address the City Commission regarding items not on the agenda and that are under the jurisdiction of the City Commission may do so when called upon the Mayor. Comments on personnel matters and matters pending in court are not permitted. Speakers are limited to three minutes. Any presentation is for information purposes only; no action will be taken.

Consent Agenda (*Consent agenda items will be acted on by one motion unless a majority of the City Commission votes to remove an item for discussion and separate action.*)

9. Approval of [City Commission Minutes from February 21, 2022 and City Commission Work Session Minutes from February 16, 2022.](#)
10. Approval of [Steve Fellers and Mel Arnold to the Sales Tax Advisory Board](#)

Old Business

11. None

New Business

12. [Myers East Addition Replat](#)
13. [American Rescue Plan Act \(ARPA\) Funds](#)
14. [American Rescue Plan Funds and First Responder Radios](#)

Discussion Items

15. None

Reports

16. City Commission and Advisory Board Updates
17. City Manager

Executive Session

18. None

Adjournment

19. Consideration of a motion to adjourn the March 7, 2022 regular meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY:

Citizens are encouraged to address the City Commission during regularly scheduled meetings. This policy is intended to provide some guidelines to ensure that all El Dorado citizens have a chance to address the Commission.

1. Each citizen will state their name and address before making comments.
2. There are no residency requirements.
3. Each citizen will have 3 minutes to present his or her comments.
4. An extension of time, if necessary, may be approved but must be by a majority of the City Commission.
5. Comments or questions will be directed only to the City Commission.
6. Citizens will follow the decorum policy.
7. Debate or argument between parties in the audience will not be allowed.
8. Certain legal issues may not be discussed. (Examples include but are not limited to personnel issues, lawsuits, etc.)
9. Violation of this public comment policy will result in the citizen being directed to cease or resume sitting.

Approved by the Commission this 2nd day of May 2005.

EL DORADO
K A N S A S

PROCLAMATION

THE CITY OF EL DORADO, KANSAS

- WHEREAS:** The severe weather and tornado season in Kansas has always been known as a potentially dangerous time, historically producing property damage, injuries, and even loss of life; and
- WHEREAS:** During a recent active severe weather season (2019), the National Weather Service logged over 1,400 severe weather reports in Kansas, including more than 120 tornadoes, two of which occurred in Butler County, Kansas; and
- WHEREAS:** Everyone is potentially at risk during severe weather and tornado season, which reaches its peak in Kansas between March and June; and
- WHEREAS:** The National Weather Service, in conjunction with the State of Kansas and local jurisdictions, will be conducting a statewide tornado drill on Tuesday, March 8th at 10:00 a.m.; and
- WHEREAS:** The purpose of Severe Weather Preparedness Week is to heighten the public's understanding of the dangers associated with severe weather and tornadoes,
- NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved that I, Council/Commission Chair _____, proclaim the week of March 7th through March 11th, 2022 in the City of _____, Kansas as

SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of El Dorado, Kansas to be affixed the 7th day of February, 2022.

Mayor Bill Young

Seal

Tabitha Sharp, City Clerk

EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING

February 21, 2022

The El Dorado City Commission met in a regular session on February 21, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Room with the following present: Mayor Bill Young, Commissioner Kelly Tetrick, Commissioner Leon Leachman, Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson, City Manager David Dillner, City Engineer Scott Rickard and City Clerk Tabitha Sharp. Absent: Commissioner Gregg Lewis and City Attorney Ashlyn Lindskog

VISITORS

Mike Holton	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Phil Benedict	Chamber of Commerce	El Dorado, KS
Susan Dick	925 SE River Rd	El Dorado, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bill Young called the February 7, 2022 meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Pastor Debbie McClure, First Nazarene Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Commission led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bill Young opened the floor for public comments.

Susan Dick, 925 SE River Rd, stated that she had a fire at her home. She asked that the City Commission look at the municipal code in regards to insurance proceeds.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the City Commission minutes from February 7, 2022.

Approval of Appropriation Ordinance No. 01-22 in the amount of \$2,190,112.38.

Approval of Cereal Malt Beverage License for Walnuts Baseball Inc. at 298 North Griffith Street.

Approval of Cereal Malt Beverage License for Butler Community College at 206 North Griffith Street.

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF REZONING 800 W 6TH AVENUE (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO GENERAL BUSINESS)

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that staff have received an application to rezone the property at 800 West 6th Avenue. He stated that they are requesting a rezone from R3, Multi-Family Residential to C1, Commercial. He stated that the application was approved by the Planning Commission 6 – 1.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson asked if staff knew the concerns for the Planning Commissioner who voted no.

City Engineer Rickard stated that he believed the Planning Commissioners feels that the City needs more multi-family housing and it didn't make sense to him to get rid of property labeled as R-3.

City Engineer Rickard stated that the areas around the property were becoming more industrial and it was his belief that residential development there would be unlikely.

Commissioner Leon Leachman asked if traffic would be an issue.

City Engineer Rickard stated that it would depend on the use.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to approve Case No. 22-01-REZ, requesting a rezoning of 800 W. 6th Avenue to C-1 General Business District and that Ordinance No. G-1368 be approved.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick seconded the motion.

Mayor Bill Young stated that while he agreed that there is a need for more high density housing, this property makes sense to be in the commercial zone.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick stated that the size of the lot would lend itself to the change.

Motion carried 4 – 0.

ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

City Clerk Tabitha Sharp reviewed the new advisory board applications.

Advisory Board	Term	New Applications Received
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EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING**February 21, 2022**

BOA Code Review	Ends Dec. 31, 2025	Kelly – Eddie Dean Jr.
BOZA	Ends Dec. 31, 2024	Sean Schwartz
Sales Tax	Ends Dec. 31, 2022	Bill- Matt Jacobs

City Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to accept the advisory board appointments as presented.

City Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 – 0.

REPORTS**CITY COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD UPDATES**

Commissioner Leon Leachman stated that the Experience El Dorado board met last week and there are a lot of exciting things coming up.

Commissioner Leachman stated that the community meeting for the festival is tomorrow at 5:30 p.m. in the Commission Room.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick stated that the library board met and many things are in progress.

Mayor Bill Young asked if the Commission would like further information on the insurance proceeds ordinance.

The City Commission agreed.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager David Dillner stated that the Butler County Appraiser's office released their annual report and the majority of properties in Butler County will see an increase in appraised value. He stated that this will affect the upcoming budget cycle in regards to the new revenue neutral rate law.

City Manager Dillner stated that the Federal Government passed a new law for CDL drivers. He stated that the new law will cost roughly \$4,800 if we send people out to do the training. He stated that we can also do in house training, but we have to have someone certified to do that. He stated that these new restrictions are making the competition for CDL drivers even more difficult than it has been.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

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Commissioner Leon Leachman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 – 0.

City Clerk Tabitha D. Sharp

Mayor Bill Young

EL DORADO CITY SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

February 16, 2022

The El Dorado City Commission met in special session on February 16, 2022 at 5:00 pm at 220 E 1st Avenue with the following present: Mayor Bill Young, Commissioner Kelly Tetrick, Commissioner Gregg Lewis, Commissioner Leon Leachman, Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson, City Manager David Dillner, City Engineer Scott Rickard and City Clerk Tabitha Sharp. Absent: City Attorney Ashlyn Lindskog

VISITORS

Curt Zieman	128 N Vine	El Dorado, KS
Kevin Wishart	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Mike Holton	128 N Vine	El Dorado, KS
Jason Patty	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Vince Haines	El Dorado Inc.	El Dorado, KS
Phil Benedict	Chamber of Commerce	El Dorado, KS
Javan Gonzalez	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Emily Connell	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Tiya Tonn	Butler County History Museum	El Dorado, KS
Sarah Hoefgen	El Dorado Inc.	El Dorado, KS
Steve Waite	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Jeff Christensen	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Linda Jolly	El Dorado Inc.	El Dorado, KS
Kim Krull	Butler Community College	El Dorado, KS
Kelly North	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Shannon Beal	Chamber of Commerce	El Dorado, KS
Joe Goedert	El Dorado Inc.	El Dorado, KS
Glen Buckholz	El Dorado Inc.	El Dorado, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bill Young called the December 29, 2021 Special City Commission meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW

Phil Benedict, Chamber of Commerce Director, presented information on the Chamber of Commerce.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis asked if the mock interview process was available for adults.

Mr. Benedict stated that it was available in the afternoon.

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February 16, 2022

Sarah Hoefgen, El Dorado Inc. Director, presented information on the activities of El Dorado Inc.

Jeff Christensen, El Dorado Main Street President, gave a review of Main Street activities.

Mayor Bill Young asked what the timeline was for the Master Plan.

Mr. Christensen stated that it was going to the executive committee next week and hope to have it to the City Manager by March 1st.

Javan Gonzalez, Destination Services Coordinator, presented the Commission with an overview of the Experience El Dorado division.

Mayor Young asked when the community meeting on the festival would be.

Mr. Gonzalez stated that it would be on Tuesday, February 22nd at 5:30 p.m. here in the Commission room.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis stated that he felt with all of the promotion of the City of El Dorado, we may want to revisit the water canning process to help market the water.

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND INCENTIVES

City Engineer Scott Rickard discussed ways that the Engineering Department works closely with all of the partners to identify projects that the City can assist with.

Commissioner Leon Leachman asked how the railroad was involved.

City Engineer Rickard stated that they have worked with them on several projects over the years and numerous potential opportunities.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis stated that the potential prospects look at the Commission before they come in and so it is better if they are working together well.

City Manager David Dillner stated that he was correct, the potential businesses look at all aspects of a community before they come in.

BASE (BUILDING A STRONGER ECONOMY) GRANT APPLICATION PROJECTS

City Manager David Dillner stated that the State of Kansas has allocated \$100 million of the funding they got from the Federal Government to projects that help promote and build the economy. He stated that they will fund up to 75% of the approved projects. He stated that we can

submit up to three projects and so staff would like direction from the Commission so that we can turn in the application by the end of the month.

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that staff looked at shovel-ready projects. He stated that the first project would be the expansion of the Water Treatment Plant. He stated that as flow increases, we have noticed deficiencies that we will need to address. He stated that expanding the plant would allow for additional water sales up to three million gallons per day.

Jason Patty, Public Utilities Director, stated that this project would allow us more capacity for circulation which will help the deficiencies we have been experiencing.

City Engineer Rickard stated that the second project can be in tandem, or alone, but he recommended that it accompany any water treatment plant expansion. He stated that staff are proposing a new sixteen inch water main on Central from Griffith to Denver. He stated that the lines downtown are all part of the oldest infrastructure in the City and there is somewhat of a bottleneck there because of the different sized lines.

City Engineer Rickard stated that the third project would be to expand sewer interceptors. He stated that they would upsize the existing sewer lines on the west side of town up to Central. He stated that this project would be \$3.5 million.

City Manager Dillner stated that the third project will likely have to be done regardless of the grant in the very near future.

Mayor Young asked how staff wanted to proceed.

City Manager Dillner stated that they would like to submit the first two together, because while the State has indicated that they are interested in large projects, we don't want the project thrown out because it is too large. He stated that as another option, we have submitted the sewer line project to the SPARK grant.

The City Commission agreed to submit an application for all three together, one for the water plant and the water transmission line together, and one for the sewer project.

REGULAR AGENDA PREVIEW

The City Commission reviewed the items to be placed on a future agenda.

COMMISSION REPORTS

There were no reports.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

There was no report.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

City Clerk Tabitha D. Sharp

Mayor Bill Young

TO: City Commission
FROM: City Clerk Tabitha Sharp
SUBJ: Advisory Board Appointments
DATE: March 4, 2022

Background:

The following applicants' have been nominated for the available advisory board positions.

Advisory Board	Number of Seats	Term	Renewal Applications Received	New Applications Received
Sales Tax	7	1 year	NA	Planning Commission – Steve Fellers Kendra- Mel Arnold

Policy Issue:

The City Commission should choose the person who best fits the purpose of each board/committee. By doing this they can ensure an active and productive board who will help staff implement ideas and/or projects.

Strategic Priority:

Municipal Operations

3. Facilitate citizen-centric thinking by actively engaging citizens to determine ways to serve the public in a manner and a cost desired by the community.

Attachments:

Advisory Board Applications

Alternatives:

The City Commission has two alternatives:

1. Appoint applicants to the boards/committees as positions are available.
2. Work to recruit additional applicants.

Fiscal Impact:

Each advisory board has the ability to influence decisions regarding the budget; the Commission must ensure that they choose individuals who will be responsible board members who will consider the ramifications of their recommendations on the citizens.

Legal Review:

This item does not require a legal review.

Staff Recommendation:

Review the applications and choose the best candidate for each board position.

Commission Action:

Approve the recommendations as presented.

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TO: City Commission
FROM: Engineering Department
SUBJ: Myers East 2nd Addition Final Plat
DATE: February 28, 2022

Background:

This proposed plat is a re-plat of the Myers East 2nd Addition. The purpose of the plat is to adjust lot lines and easements around a water line and reflect updated lot lines after a portion of the platted area was sold to Prairie Trails Golf Course. The Board of Zoning Appeals approved a setback variance associated with this plat on Tuesday, March 1st. The Planning Commission will review the plat on March 3rd, 2022.

Attachments:

Staff Memo
Plat

Policy Issue:

Plats are required by the Subdivision Regulations to subdivide property and create new lots of record, easements, and right-of-way. The Planning Commission reviews plats to ensure conformance with the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations and approve the plat. The role of the City Commission is to accept easements and right-of-way dedications.

Fiscal Impact:

The re-platting of the subdivision itself will not have a fiscal impact on the City of El Dorado.

Staff Recommendation:

Accept the right-of-way and easement dedications in the Myers East 2nd Addition Final Plat

Commission Actions:

Commissioner _____ moved to accept the right-of-way and easement dedications in the Myers East 2nd Addition Final Plat.

Commissioner _____ seconded the motion.

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PLANNING COMMISSION MEMO

TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Jay Shivers, AICP, City Planner
Scott Rickard, Engineering Director
RE: Myers East 2nd Addition Final Plat

This proposed plat is a re-plat of the Myers East Addition. The purpose of the plat is to adjust lot lines and easements around a water line and reflect updated lot lines after a portion of the platted area was sold to Prairie Trails Golf Course. The Board of Zoning Appeals will review a variance request associated with this plat on Tuesday, March 1st.

The area along the eastern portion of Skyview Drive and northward was platted in 1977 as Myers First Addition. In 1990, the eastern-most portions were re-platted as Myers East Addition to change the alignment and layout of the cul-de-sac area at the east end of Skyview Drive.

Will Clevenger with Garver will present the plat and answer questions at the meeting. The proposed final plat meets the requirements found in the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. Staff recommend approval of the plat.

Recommended Motion:

I move to approve the Myers East 2nd Addition Final Plat as presented.

MYERS EAST 2ND ADDITION

A REPLAT OF PART OF MYERS EAST ADDITION
IN THE SW1/4 OF SEC. 25, T25S, R5E
El Dorado, Butler County, Kansas

State of Kansas)
SS
Sedgwick County)

State of Kansas)
SS
City of El Dorado)

We, Garver, LLC, Land Surveyors in aforesaid county and state, do hereby certify that, under the supervision of the undersigned, we have surveyed and platted "MYERS EAST 2ND ADDITION", a replat of part of Myers East Addition, El Dorado, Butler County, Kansas on the _____ day of _____, 2022, and that the accompanying plat is a true and correct exhibit of the property surveyed, described as follows:

Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, Block C, Myers East Addition to the City of El Dorado, Butler County, Kansas; EXCEPT that part described as commencing at the Southerly most corner of said Lot 10; thence N34°48'53"E along the southeast line of said Lot 10, 32.28 feet to the place of beginning; thence continuing N34°48'53"E along said southeast line, 174.19 feet to the northeast corner of said Lot 10; thence N27°58'48"W along the east line of said Lot 9, 88.27 feet; thence S11°30'43"W, 198.44 feet to the place of beginning.

All public easements and dedications are hereby vacated by virtue of K.S.A. 12-512b, as amended.

Garver, LLC

Land Surveyor

William K. Clevenger, PS #1437

Know all men by these presents that we, the undersigned, have caused the land described in the surveyor's certificate to be platted into Lots and a Block, to be known as "MYERS EAST 2ND ADDITION", a replat of part of Myers East Addition, El Dorado, Butler County, Kansas. The utility easements is hereby granted as indicated for the construction and maintenance of all public utilities. The drainage and utility easements are hereby granted as indicated for drainage purposes and for the construction and maintenance of all public utilities. A Minimum Pad Elevation for lowest openings on all Lots = 1341.0 (NAVD88). A drainage plan has been developed for this plat. All drainage easements, rights of way and reserves shall remain at established grades (unless modified with the approval of the City Engineer) and shall be unobstructed to allow for the conveyance of stormwater.

State of Kansas)
SS
Sedgwick County)

Be it remembered that on this _____ day of _____, 2022, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, came Eric Gilbert, to me personally known to be the same person who executed the foregoing instrument of writing and duly acknowledged the execution of same. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year above written.

Marsha R. Bishop

Notary Public

My appointment expires _____.

El Dorado City Planning Commission

Chair

David Stewart

ATTEST:

Secretary

Jay Shivers

State of Kansas)
SS
City of El Dorado)

These easements and rights-of-way accepted by the City Commission of El Dorado, Kansas, this _____ day of _____, 2022.

At the Direction of the City Commission

Mayor

Bill Young

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Tabitha Sharp

Reviewed in accordance with K.S.A. 58-2005 on this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Appointed Land Surveyor

Butler County, Kansas

Gerald E. Dixon, PLS 1516

Entered on transfer record this _____ day of _____, 2022.

County Clerk

Tatum Stafford

State of Kansas)
SS
Butler County)

This is to certify that this plan and plat has been filed for record in the office of the

Register of Deeds, this _____ day of _____, 2022, at _____ o'clock _____ M., and is duly recorded.

Book _____ Page _____.

Register of Deeds

Jacque Roberts

Deputy

Paula Stoksops

DWG FILE: 21T41352 SURVEY BASE
PROJECT NO: 21T41352
FEBRUARY 22, 2022



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TO: City Commission
FROM: David Dillner, City Manager
SUBJ: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
DATE: February 23, 2022

Background: In 2021, the City received notice that it will receive \$1.9 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds in response to the coronavirus public health emergency. The Department of Treasury released its Final Rule defining how local governments may spend the funds on projects or initiatives. The four categories for ARPA funds include:

- to respond to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19 or its **negative economic impacts**, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
- to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing **premium pay to eligible workers** of the City that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
- for the provision of government services to the extent of the **reduction in revenue** of the City due to COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the City; and
- to make necessary **investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure**.

With the issuance of the Final Rule, the Department of Treasury provided local governments with the ability to designate up to \$10 million as reduced revenue, which allows cities to spend such funds on any general government purpose even if such use is beyond the scope of the defined categories. This designation gives smaller local governments, such as El Dorado, the most flexibility to allocate funds to uses best suited to the community.

Policy Issues: Should the City designate its share of American Rescue Plan Act funds as “reduced revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency,” or designate funds for another authorized use as provided in the Final Rule concerning Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds promulgated by the Department of Treasury with an effective date of April 1, 2022?

Fiscal Impact: ARPA funds do not require a local match because these funds are entitlement funds granted by the federal government based on a formula. As such, spending the funds will not affect municipal funds unless the City decides to use local funds to extend the scope of ARPA funds.

Legal Review: The City Attorney has not reviewed this item.

Trade-offs: The City Commission can decide not to designate ARPA funds as “reduced revenue,” although it will have to spend the funds within the authorized uses. Designating the funds as “reduced revenue” provides the City Commission with the greatest flexibility in determining how to allocate these funds.

Staff Recommendation: The City Manager recommends designating the City’s ARPA allocation as “reduced revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency,” as provided in the Final Rule concerning Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds promulgated by the Department of Treasury.

Recommended Motions:

Commissioner _____ moved to designate the City’s ARPA allocation as “reduced revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency,” as provided in the Final Rule concerning Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds promulgated by the Department of Treasury with an effective date of April 1, 2022.

Commissioner _____ seconded the motion.

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Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

The American Rescue Plan will deliver \$350 billion for state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to respond to the COVID-19 emergency and bring back jobs.

The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provide a substantial infusion of resources to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery.

Funding Objectives

- **Support urgent COVID-19 response efforts** to continue to decrease spread of the virus and bring the pandemic under control
- **Replace lost public sector revenue** to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs
- **Support immediate economic stabilization** for households and businesses
- **Address systemic public health and economic challenges** that have contributed to the inequal impact of the pandemic

Eligible Jurisdictions & Allocations

Direct Recipients

- States and District of Columbia (\$195.3 billion)
- Counties (\$65.1 billion)
- Metropolitan cities (\$45.6 billion)
- Tribal governments (\$20.0 billion)
- Territories (\$4.5 billion)

Indirect Recipients

- Non-entitlement units (\$19.5 billion)



Support Public Health Response

Fund COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff



Address Negative Economic Impacts

Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector



Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss

Use funds to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic



Premium Pay for Essential Workers

Offer additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors



Water and Sewer Infrastructure

Make necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water and invest in wastewater and stormwater infrastructure



Broadband Infrastructure

Make necessary investments to provide unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access



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Example Uses of Funds



Support Public Health Response

- **Services to contain and mitigate the spread of COVID-19**, including vaccination, medical expenses, testing, contact tracing, quarantine costs, capacity enhancements, and many related activities
- **Behavioral healthcare services**, including mental health or substance misuse treatment, crisis intervention, and related services
- **Payroll and covered benefits** for public health, healthcare, human services, and public safety staff to the extent that they work on the COVID-19 response



Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss

- **Ensure continuity of vital government services** by filling budget shortfalls
- **Revenue loss is calculated** relative to the expected trend, beginning with the last full fiscal year pre-pandemic and adjusted annually for growth
- **Recipients may re-calculate revenue loss** at multiple points during the program, supporting those entities that experience revenue loss with a lag



Water & Sewer Infrastructure

- **Includes improvements to infrastructure**, such as building or upgrading facilities and transmission, distribution, and storage systems
- **Eligible uses aligned to Environmental Protection Agency project categories** for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund



Equity-Focused Services

- **Additional flexibility for the hardest-hit communities and families** to address health disparities, invest in housing, address educational disparities, and promote healthy childhood environments
- **Broadly applicable** to Qualified Census Tracts, other disproportionately impacted areas, and when provided by Tribal governments



Address Negative Economic Impacts

- **Deliver assistance to workers and families**, including support for unemployed workers, aid to households, and survivor's benefits for families of COVID-19 victims
- **Support small businesses** with loans, grants, in-kind assistance, and counseling programs
- **Speed the recovery of impacted industries**, including the tourism, travel, and hospitality sectors
- **Rebuild public sector capacity** by rehiring staff, replenishing state unemployment insurance funds, and implementing economic relief programs



Premium Pay for Essential Workers

- **Provide premium pay to essential workers**, both directly and through grants to third-party employers
- **Prioritize low- and moderate-income workers**, who face the greatest mismatch between employment-related health risks and compensation
- **Key sectors include** healthcare, grocery and food services, education, childcare, sanitation, and transit
- **Must be fully additive** to a worker's wages



Broadband Infrastructure

- **Focus on households and businesses** without access to broadband and those with connections that do not provide minimally acceptable speeds
- **Fund projects that deliver reliable service** with minimum 100 Mbps download / 100 Mbps upload speeds unless impracticable
- **Complement broadband investments** made through the Capital Projects Fund



Ineligible Uses

- **Changes that reduce net tax revenue** must not be offset with American Rescue Plan funds
- **Extraordinary payments into a pension fund** are a prohibited use of this funding
- **Other restrictions apply** to eligible uses

The examples listed in this document are non-exhaustive, do not describe all terms and conditions associated with the use of this funding, and do not describe all the restrictions on use that may apply. The U.S. Department of the Treasury provides this document, the State and Local contact channels, and other resources for informational purposes. Although efforts have been made to ensure the accuracy of the information provided, the information is subject to change or correction. Any Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds received will be subject to the terms and conditions of the agreement entered into by Treasury and the respective jurisdiction, which shall incorporate the provisions of the Interim Final Rule and/or Final Rule that implements this program.

EL DORADO

K A N S A S

TO: City Commission
FROM: David Dillner, City Manager
SUBJ: American Rescue Plan Funds and First Responder Radios
DATE: March 4, 2022 (Updated)

Background: In 2012, Butler County purchased new handheld radios for first responder agencies throughout the County. The County purchased a new radio system and wanted all agencies to operate using the same equipment. That equipment has now reached its useful life and needs replacement before a catastrophic failure occurs.

Combined, the Police and Fire Departments require sixty handheld radio units. Butler County provided the City with twenty-three radio units for use by the Police and Fire Departments. The City plans to use proceeds from its most recent bond issuance to acquire another twelve handheld radios for the Fire Department. The City requires twenty-five additional radios to replace the remaining stock. At a cost of \$5,800 per radio, the cost of replacing these twenty-five radios is \$145,000.

The City Commission may allocate a portion of the City's American Rescue Plan Act (APRA) funds for the replacement of handheld radios for the Police and Fire Departments as a general government expenses following its designating of such funds as "reduced revenue."

Policy Issue: Should the City allocate a portion of its ARPA funds towards the purchase of handheld radios for the Police and Fire Departments?

Strategic Priority: The strategic priorities that apply to this item include:

Infrastructure - *The City invests in its public infrastructure provide the basic resources necessary for the community to thrive and prosper. Continuously **invest in public safety** initiatives, equipment, and technology to provide the El Dorado Police and Fire Departments with the resources needed to preserve order and protect life and property.*

Alternatives:

Staff has determined the following options exist with respect to this issue (*listed in no particular order*):

- Allocate a portion of the City's American Rescue Plan Act funds to purchase and acquire handheld radios for the Police and Fire Departments.
- Allocate a General Fund reserve balance to purchase and acquire handheld radios for the Police and Fire Departments.

- Require the Police and Fire Departments to purchase remaining handheld radios over the next few years from the departments' operating budgets.
- Finance the purchase of handheld radios for the Police and Fire Departments.

Fiscal Impact: Replacement radios cost \$5,800 each, so the cost of replacing twenty-five handheld radios will cost about \$145,000. The General Fund did not budget to purchase these radios, so the expense will be a significant charge to both departments' operating budget or the General Fund reserve balance will need to cover the expense. The General Fund has sufficient reserve funds to pay for the replacement of the radios, although ARPA funds provide resources that will not change the City's financial position.

Following the purchase and replacement of the existing radios, the City plans to implement a phased replacement plan that mitigates a significant one-time expense when the radios are near the end of useful life. The goal of a phased replacement is to budget for the replacement of radios over several years instead of requiring a one-time expense or the need to finance radios. The City's entire handheld radio inventory will cost nearly \$350,000 if the City purchased them all at once.

Legal Review: The City Attorney has not reviewed this item.

Trade-offs: The existing handheld radios used by the Police and Fire Departments have reached their useful life. While the radios could serve the departments longer than the expected life, the City does not want to put its first responders in a situation where communication fails. Situations where communication fails in police and firefighting work has a high possibility of injury and even death. Replacing handheld radios ensures that the equipment is ready to serve its users with a lower probability of failure.

Staff Recommendation: The City Manager recommends using ARPA funds to purchase and replace radios for the Police and Fire Departments. The City has not identified another source of funding to replace critical infrastructure necessary to allow communication between police officers and firefighters.

Recommended Motion:

Commissioner _____ moved to authorize the use of up to \$145,000 from the City's American Rescue Plan Act funds for the purchase of handheld radios for the Police and Fire Departments.

Commissioner _____ seconded the motion.

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