

Legislation Text

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Appropriate Additional Funds for COVID-19 Response

Action:

- A. Adopt a budget ordinance appropriating \$3,000,000 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Public Assistance Grant Program for eligible costs associated with First Responder overtime and personal protective equipment,**
- B. Adopt a budget ordinance appropriating \$6,866,990 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Emergency Solutions Grant, and**
- C. Authorize the City Manager to execute any necessary contracts and agreements related to the Public Assistance Grant and Emergency Solutions Grant programs.**

Staff Resource(s):

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Explanation

Action A:

- The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Public Assistance Grant Program is a reimbursement program that provides federal funding to help communities respond to and recover from declared disasters.
- U.S Treasury guidance allows for localities to apply for FEMA Public Assistance Funds prior to the utilization of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act dollars.
- The funds will be used to reimburse the city for First Responder overtime and the purchase of personal protective equipment that has and will occur during the emergency declaration.
- This action is intended to help account for costs incurred in FY 2021. City Council previously appropriated \$3.5 million from this program for FY 2020 costs at its June 22, 2020 Business Meeting.
- Any required matching contribution not covered by the state will be paid utilizing CARES Act dollars.

Action B:

- HUD allows Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds to be used for a variety of services to homeless individuals and families, including homelessness prevention, shelter operations, rapid re-housing, and systems costs for the Homeless Management Information Service.
- At its April 13, 2020 Business Meeting, City Council appropriated \$1,765,572 from the first allocation of ESG funds provided by the CARES Act.
- A second allocation of ESG funds from the CARES Act has been made by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and this action appropriates the funds from this allocation.

Fiscal Note

Funding: COVID-19 Stimulus Fund

Attachment(s)

FEMA-PA Budget Ordinance

ESG Budget Ordinance