

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-763

**WHEREAS**, on June 10, 2021, the City received its payment of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds totaling \$17,360,343.50; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 20, 2021, by Resolution No. 2021-456, the Fiscal Year 2020-21 operating budget was amended to establish an American Rescue Plan Fiscal Recovery Special Fund (a grant fund) to account for and track revenues and expenditures associated with the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to ensure compliance with the terms of the funding,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WACO, TEXAS:**

That an amount not to exceed \$17,360,343.50, as the City's second payment of Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (when said funding is paid to the City) is hereby accepted, that such is hereby recognized as revenue and appropriated to the American Rescue Plan Fiscal Recovery Special Fund.

That the planned usage of existing and future ARP funds as the American Rescue Plan Funding Plan, is hereby approved and adopted as described in "Exhibit A."

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute any documents in connection therewith.

That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by law.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 19th day of October 2021.

*Dillon Meek*

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Dillon Meek, Mayor  
City of Waco, Texas

**ATTEST:**

*Mandy Spikes for*

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Esmeralda Hudson, City Secretary



**APPROVED AS TO FORM & LEGALITY:**

*Jennifer Richie* ACA FOR

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Jennifer Richie, City Attorney

## Exhibit A



## American Rescue Plan Funding Plan

# Exhibit A

## **Background**

This funding plan provides details of the proposed usage of the City of Waco's \$34.7 million in Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. These funds are a part of the larger \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA, ARP, or "Act").

The Act provided for broad usage of the funds within four separate categories as follows:

1. To respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts which include assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality.
2. To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work.
3. For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of the City due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year (October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2019) of the City prior to the emergency.
4. To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

The City of Waco has until December 31, 2024, to obligate (commit) the funds to specific purposes outlined within the Act and United States Department of Treasury guidance and to spend the funds by December 31, 2026.

The City of Waco has elected to break the funding up into three separate buckets. The first bucket of funding, \$15 million, is for resiliency efforts and municipal purposes and includes funding for necessary water or sewer infrastructure as well as for the City's response to the public health emergency and for the provision of government services (often referred to as the revenue loss provision). The second bucket, \$17 million, is intended to provide assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits. This second bucket was subject to community and citizen feedback through the City's online balancing act tool as well as direct communication from the public via phone calls or emails. The third and final bucket, \$2.7 million, is a contingency fund to provide the city flexibility during the pandemic to pivot and appropriately and adequately respond to the changing economic and public health environment.

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## **Funding Plan**

### **Bucket One – Resiliency Projects/Municipal Purposes - \$15,000,000**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Eligible Act Category</b>
Utility Generators – Water & WMARSS	\$10,000,000	Eligible use category 4
Community Center Resiliency (Generators) for Dewey, South Waco and the Multi-Purpose Center	\$1,000,000	Eligible use category 3
MHMR Crisis Hub	\$3,000,000	Eligible use category 1 and/or 3
Public Broadband	\$400,000	Eligible use category 4
Waco-McLennan County Public Health District Response (Additional resources beyond other grant awards for this purpose)	\$600,000	Eligible use category 1
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,000,000</b>	

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### Bucket Two – Assistance to Households, Small Businesses, and Nonprofits - \$17,000,000

Project	Amount	Eligible Act Category
New Affordable Housing	\$4,300,000	Eligible use category 1 and/or 3
Home Rehabilitation	\$3,100,000	
Revolving Loan and Grant Program - Small Businesses and Nonprofits	\$2,000,000	
Down Payment Assistance	\$1,850,000	
Job Training	\$1,500,000	
Housing Bridge	\$1,000,000	
Floodplain Housing Assistance	\$500,000	
Artist Support	\$250,000	
Waco Family Medicine Expansion	\$2,500,000	Eligible use category 1 and/or 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,000,000</b>	

Bucket Two – Assistance to Households, Small Businesses, and Nonprofits – allocation is based on the feedback received from the community as part of the city’s outreach efforts through the establishment of its American Rescue Plan website, a budget office email, and utilization of the Balancing Act budget simulation tool whereby the community could allocate the \$17 million to areas of importance to them as well as provide comments and feedback directly to the city. The city received 331 submissions through the tool with 161 comments provided. The tool was available in both English and Spanish. In addition to the community responses provided, the \$17 million bucket two allocation factors in feedback and direction received directly from the Mayor and Council.

### Bucket Three – Contingency - \$2,720,687

This bucket will serve as a contingency to provide the city flexibility during the pandemic to pivot and appropriately and adequately respond to the changing economic and public health environment. The funding from this category will be allocated in accordance with the provisions of the Act.