

BILL NO.: 24-0715

ORDINANCE NO.: 24- 0284

INTRODUCED BY: Council Member(s): Grueteke

1 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE,
2 APPROPRIATION, AND PAYMENT OF FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY'S
3 PORTION OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 ("ARPA") IN
4 ORDER TO REIMBURSE AN APPLICANT UNDER THE PROGRAM FOR THE
5 APPLICANT'S APPROVED EXPENSES THEREIN.

6 WHEREAS, Since the first case of Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) was
7 discovered in the United States in January 2020, the pandemic has caused a severe,
8 intertwined public health and economic crises; and,

9 WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, as these crises continued, the American Rescue
10 Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA"), known as Pub. L. 117-2 (H.R. 1319) was signed into law on
11 March 11, 2021, and established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
12 (SLFRF) to provide state, local, and Tribal governments with the resources needed to
13 respond to the pandemic and its economic effects and to build a stronger, more equitable
14 economy during the recovery; and,

15 WHEREAS, these funds are designated to guarantee direct relief to cities, towns
16 and villages in the United States in several primary areas to offset costs for unbudgeted
17 and unexpected medical expenses for hospitals, clinics, and similar hospitals, temporary
18 public medical facilities, measures to combat Covid-19 including related construction
19 costs for the same, costs of testing, medical response expenses, transportation,

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1 telemedicine, public health expenses, expenses for acquisition and distribution of medical
2 and protective supplies, including sanitizing products and personal protective equipment,
3 disinfection, technical and mitigation, payroll expenses, expenses for distance learning,
4 providing for homeless populations, small business reimbursements, expenses for Sewer,
5 Water, Broadband, Infrastructure and Premium Pay as defined under ARPA, and any
6 other COVID-19 related expenses reasonably necessary to the function of government
7 that satisfy the Fund’s eligibility criteria; and,

8 **WHEREAS**, certain expenses are ineligible such as damages covered by
9 insurance, certain payroll or benefits for work duties not substantially dedicated to
10 mitigating Covid, expenses that are subject to other federal reimbursements, donated
11 items, bonuses, severance pay, and legal settlements; and,

12 **WHEREAS**, the effects of the preparation and management of COVID-19 are
13 occurring and will continue to cause a threat to the life, property, public peace, health,
14 safety, and welfare of citizens of the County; and,

15 **WHEREAS**, Jefferson County, Missouri, (“County”) has received, or will
16 receive up to, and been authorized and certified to accept **\$43,719,346.00** in Federal
17 ARPA (Coronavirus Relief Fund Division Budget) with a breakdown as follows:
18 **\$21,859,673.00** was received on May 19, 2021, and the remaining **\$21,859,673.00** was
19 received on June 9, 2022; and,

20 **WHEREAS**, funds were placed in the American Rescue Plan Fund, account
21 #316-0535-4300-0171-999999 (American Rescue Plan Fund, American Rescue Plan,
22 Grants, American Rescue Plan, Non-Specific) which shall be used for reimbursement of

1 unbudgeted expenses and assistance to citizens, businesses and agencies within the
2 County and as authorized by the CARES Act, at the direction of the U.S. Treasury via
3 guidelines, rules and regulations in accordance with those laws and ultimately by and
4 through the County's own requirements; and,

5 **WHEREAS**, the following organization has submitted verified requests for
6 reimbursements for said expenses as summarized and set forth in Exhibit A, which is
7 attached hereto, and which is to be paid out of the County's portion of the ARPA
8 Funding:

9	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10	1. Jefferson County Parks & Recreation-	
11	Pickleball Court Expansion	\$ 300,000.00
12	2. Jefferson County Tourism Commission	\$ 70,000.00

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14 **WHEREAS**, said expenses have been fully reviewed, vetted, and approved by the
15 County's ARPA Fund Work Group, including the County Executive, County Auditor,
16 Director of Administration, County Counselor, Executive Assistant and Staff. A
17 recommendation is therefore made to the Jefferson County, Missouri, County Council by
18 the County Executive for approval of the reimbursement of expenses from the ARPA
19 Funds being held by the County. Said funding from ARPA shall not be distributed unless
20 and until the proposed water, sewer and broadband projects have been committed to
21 Jefferson County as contemplated by the County and the Developers; and,

1 **WHEREAS**, the Jefferson County, Missouri, Council (“Council”) finds it
2 appropriate to authorize the reimbursement for expenditures as set forth herein in order to
3 provide for the unbudgeted costs in managing and fighting the COVID-19 Virus; and,

4 **WHEREAS**, the Council finds that the reimbursement is necessary and
5 appropriate to protect the life, property, public peace, health, safety, and welfare of
6 citizens of the County.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI,**
8 **COUNCIL, AS FOLLOWS:**

9 Section 1. The Jefferson County, Missouri, County Council hereby
10 recognizes that the COVID-19 virus poses a threat to the life, property, public peace,
11 health, safety, and welfare of citizens of the County.

12 Section 2. The Council hereby appropriates and authorizes the payment of
13 funds from the County’s ARPA Funds American Rescue Plan Fund, Fund #316 for the
14 following and as summarized and set forth in Exhibit A which is attached hereto and
15 made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein:

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1 Section 3. Said funding from ARPA shall not be distributed unless and until
2 the proposed water, sewer and broadband projects have been committed to Jefferson
3 County as contemplated by the County and the Developers.

4 Section 4. The County Executive, County Auditor and/or the County
5 Treasurer are each further authorized to take whatever steps are necessary and to execute
6 any and all documents necessary and make disbursements to carry out the intent of this
7 Ordinance pursuant to the authority granted by this Ordinance; the Home Rule Charter of
8 Jefferson County, Missouri and by any applicable State or Federal Law including the
9 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”), known as Pub. L. 117–2 (H.R. 1319) was
10 signed into law on March 11, 2021, including any rules, regulations and/or guidance by
11 the U.S. Treasury, Section 50.540 RSMo (2021), Chapter 130 of the Jefferson County
12 Code of Ordinances-the Jefferson County Procurement Policy and Procedures; and any
13 and all Orders of the County Executive, the Governor of the State of Missouri and/or The
14 President of the United States and their respective administrative agencies which may be,
15 or are necessary, to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

16 Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon
17 its passage and until further Ordinance, or Resolution and Order of the County Council.

18 Section 6. If any part of this Ordinance is invalid for any reason such
19 invalidity shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

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THIS BILL BEING DULY INTRODUCED, THE MEMBERS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, COUNCIL VOTED AS FOLLOWS:

Council Member District 1, Brian Haskins	<u>yes</u>
Council Member District 2, Gene F. Barbagallo	<u>yes</u>
Council Member District 3, Lori Arons	<u>yes</u>
Council Member District 4, Charles Groeteke	<u>yes</u>
Council Member District 5, Scott Seek	<u>yes</u>
Council Member District 6, Dan Stallman	<u>yes</u>
Council Member District 7, Bob Tullock	<u>yes</u>

THE ABOVE BILL ON THIS 22 DAY OF July, 2024

PASSED **FAILED**



Charles Groeteke, County Council Chair



Cherlynn Boyer, Council Executive Assistant

THIS BILL WAS ✓ APPROVED BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND ENACTED AS AN ORDINANCE OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, THIS 26 DAY OF July, 2024.

THIS BILL WAS _____ VETOED AND RETURNED TO THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI, COUNCIL WITH WRITTEN OBJECTIONS BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE, THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024.




Dennis J. Gannon, Jefferson County, Missouri, Executive

ATTEST:



Jeannie Goff, County Clerk

BY: 

Reading Date: 07-22-2024