

RESOLUTION #2021-95

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS (KNOWN AS ARPA FUNDS) FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY AND CERTIFYING THAT ANOKA COUNTY WILL ADHERE TO THE GUIDELINES AS ESTABLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021 the President of the United States signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, approximately \$350 billion of the ARPA funding was allotted to assist state, local, tribal, and territory governments in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, Sections 602(b) and 603(b) of the Social Security Act as added by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act authorized the United States Department of the Treasury to make payments to certain recipients from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund; and,

WHEREAS, funds received are required to be used in accordance to the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) requirements as provided within the guidance issued by the United States Department of the Treasury:

- To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts.
- To respond to workers performing essential work during the Covid-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers.
- For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the Covid-19 public health emergency relative the revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency.
- To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County is expected to receive \$69,840,121 in funding, which will be received in two tranches, approximately one half within 60 days of the plan passage, and the remaining funds approximately 12 months later; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County received an initial funding in the amount of \$34,663,860 identified as the funding allocation for the First Tranche:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Anoka County, by and through its Board of Commissioners, does hereby accept the funding distribution of \$69,840,121 from the Federal Government through the United States Department of the Treasury related to the American Rescue Plan Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anoka County Board certifies that it will adhere to the existing, additional, and amended guidelines as set forth by the United States Department of the Treasury related to the allocation, distribution, and reporting of the use of the American Rescue Plan Act funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Anoka County board authorizes the Anoka County administrator to develop a process for honoring the commitments to the Federal Government and Unities States Department of the Treasury by establishing by separate resolution an American Rescue Plan Act Budget that is to be allocated into the following broad categories; Public Health, Negative Economic Impacts, Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities, Premium Pay, Infrastructure, Revenue Replacement, Grant Administration, and Unallocated. Initial allocations into each category shall be established by resolution, with the ability to amend and adjust the allocations across the categories as needed by further resolution.