

# City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: FEBRUARY 7, 2023

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT EXPENDITURE PLAN

FOR THE SECOND ALLOCATION OF GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF

\$36,767,594

### <u>ISSUE</u>:

Approval of the American Rescue Plan Act Expenditure Plan for the second allocation of grant funds in the amount of \$36,767,594.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the City Council:

- 1. Review and approve the proposed American Rescue Plan Act Expenditure Plan for the second allocation of grant funds in the amount of \$36,767,594;
- 2. Review and approve the reallocation of funds from the First Allocation Expenditure Plan Project 1-26 Broadband Grants to the Parks Maintenance Project in the amount of \$1,600,000;
- 3. Upon Expenditure Plan approval, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenue and expenditures in the amount of \$36,767,594, to accounts to be established by the Finance Department;
- 4. Grant the City Manager, or designee, the flexibility to reallocate funds from the proposed Expenditure Plan to other similar and eligible uses should feasibility or timeliness concerns arise; and
- Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to negotiate and execute all agreements, contracts and documents related to the implementation of the approved Expenditure Plan for the American Rescue Plan Act funding, including making minor non-substantive change.

### **LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act to facilitate the recovery from the devastating economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The American Rescue Plan Act established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and

Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, which provides a combined \$350 billion in assistance to eligible state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to assist in the economic and health recovery by providing resources to address impacts resulting from the crisis.

### **BACKGROUND**:

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) established the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to provide resources to support communities that are struggling with the impacts resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. The US Department of the Treasury (Treasury) first released the Interim Final Rule providing eligibility guidance as well as regularly updated Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ). The Interim Final Rule provided initial guidance and served to help communities develop proposals for funding. On November 9, 2021, the City Council approved the ARPA funding Expenditure Category Plan for the first allocation in the amount of \$36,767,594 following the Interim Final Rule guidelines. Additionally, City Council directed staff to return with an itemized list for Parks infrastructure needs during the second allocation of funding for consideration. The Final Rule was issued on January 6, 2022 and became effective on April 1, 2022.

On August 31, 2021, the City submitted the required one-time Interim Report and the first annual Recovery Plan Performance Report. The one-time Interim Report identified expenditures by Expenditure Category from the date of the award to July 31, 2021. Outside of the Interim Report, the City is required to submit quarterly Project and Expenditure Reports and annual Recovery Plan Performance Reports. To date, the City has submitted all required reports by the established deadlines.

On November 15, 2022, a preliminary draft of the second round of ARPA funding was presented to City Council. The Mayor and City Council received and provided input to staff on the potential to reallocate additional funding to Parks and the Affordable Housing Fund.

### **DISCUSSION**:

The American Rescue Plan Act established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Fiscal Recovery Funds) to aid eligible state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments. These funds may be used to respond to pandemic response needs including mitigation and prevention, support to communities and populations most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and fill revenue shortfalls. The City may use funds to best support the needs of the community as long as the use of the funds aligns with one of following four statutory categories:

- 1. To respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts;
- 2. To respond to workers performing essential work during COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the recipient that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employer that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
- 3. For the provision of government services, to the extent of the reduction in the revenue of such recipient due to COVID-19 public health emergency, relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the recipient prior to the emergency; or

4. To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

State, local, territorial, and Tribal governments that are facing budget shortfalls may use Fiscal Recovery Funds to avoid reduction of government services. Treasury's Interim Final Rule established a methodology to calculate lost revenue. This calculation considers revenue expected in the absence of the crisis compared to actual revenue.

The City of Riverside received Fiscal Recovery Funds in two installments for a total amount of \$73,535,189. The city received the first allocation for \$36,767,594 in June 2021 and the second allocation for \$36,767,594 in June 2022.

### Proposed Expenditure Plan

The proposed Second Expenditure Plan (Attachment 1) considers the second allocation of funding only. The table below is a consolidation of the proposed funding breakdown by Expenditure by Category. The Expenditure Categories are those that must be used per Treasury's guidance. The term "Expenditure Category" refers to the detailed level and "Category" refers to all expenditures within that Category.

Category Recommendations		
1: Public Health	\$690,000	
2: Negative Economic Impacts	\$4,000,000	
6: Revenue Replacement	\$19,688,797	
Citywide Revenue Loss	\$12,188,797	
7: Administrative	\$200,000	
TOTAL	\$36,767,594	

The proposed Second Expenditure Plan includes projects listed by Expenditure Category recommendation. The approved Riverside Road to Recovery, the Envision Riverside 2025 Strategic Plan, and guidelines from the Final Rule guide the proposed expenditures. Further, the Second Expenditure Plan by Expenditure Category recommendations are to address needs that persist in the community as well as revenue loss to ensure continued government services.

The updates made to the proposed Second Expenditure Plan are based on City Council input and additional discussions with city departments include:

• Increase in the amount for the Parks Maintenance Projects: an increase in the amount of \$3,400,000 for park maintenance projects. The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department (PRCSD) performed an evaluation of unfunded deferred maintenance projects for consideration (Attachment 2). The priority park projects focus on addressing safety concerns and improve public health and ADA compliance. While the majority of the proposed \$8,400,000 in ARPA funding will allow the city to invest in park infrastructure that has a high impact on community well-being such as playground renovations, a few projects, such as parking lots, HVAC and flooring may be included in various wards to equitably distribute the funding and replace critical infrastructure needed to keep the facility open and safe for public use. As private sector recreational opportunities increase in cost, it is important to continue to invest in ensuring the sustainability of public parks, open spaces, community centers and recreational amenities as affordable and accessible options for all to enjoy. Investing in the maintenance of the parks system is an

investment in the community's health and well-being.

• Increase in the amount for the Affordable Housing Fund: an increase in the amount of \$588,797 for the affordable housing fund for development incentives throughout the City. After input from the City Council and Mayor on staff's preliminary recommendation for the second round of ARPA allocation project funding, additional funds were allocated from the unprogrammed line item to the Affordable Housing fund to increase the total allocation to \$1,388,797.

### Reallocation of First Allocation Expenditure Plan Funds

After review of unexpended funds from the First Allocation Expenditure Plan, it was determined that funding in the amount of \$1,600,000 is no longer needed for the Broadband Grants Project (1-26) as this would duplicate efforts with the Federal Government's ACP (Affordable Connectivity Program). The recommended reallocation of unexpended funds from the Broadband Grants Project (1-26) in the First Allocation Expenditure plan to the Parks Maintenance Project will bring the total for the Park Maintenance Project funding to \$10,000,000.

### STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

The Second Expenditure Plan is interwoven throughout the entire Envision Riverside 2025 Strategic Plan and Goals.

The item aligns with each of the five Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

- Community Trust Riverside is committed to providing a transparent process and gather community input to support how funds will be used. To assist with these efforts, the City has developed an ARPA webpage that includes program information, a public survey and dedicated ARPA email address.
- 2. **Equity** Riverside is supportive of the ongoing evaluation of potential programs and projects that ensure a response to disproportionately impacted groups and the exacerbation of health inequities along racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic lines.
- 3. **Fiscal Responsibility** this item ensures fiscal responsibility of ARPA funds by identifying a need or negative impact and identifying how the project/program addresses the identified need.
- 4. **Innovation** Riverside is committed to responding to the community's changing needs and preparing for the future through developing ARPA funded projects/programs that build on collaborative partnerships.
- 5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** this item ensures sustainability through ongoing evaluation of projects and programs to allow adaptation to meet the current COVID-19 public health emergency and future needs ensuring the City's capacity to persevere, adapt, and grow.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact of this action is \$36,767,594. There are no matching funds required. Upon Expenditure Plan approval, the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, will record an increase in

revenue and expenditures in the amount of \$36,767,594, to accounts to be established by the Finance Department.

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Officer/Treasurer

Approved by: Mike Futrell, City Manager

Approved as to form: Phaedra A. Norton, City Attorney

### Attachments:

1. Proposed Second Expenditure Plan

2. Proposed Park Projects List

3. Presentation

ARPA Category	Project Name	Project Description	Funding Request Amount	Recommended Funding
Public Health     Prevention in Congregate     Settings	EOC remodel/situational awareness system/ventilation upgrade	Remodel EOC layout to provide enhanced capabilities, COVID/Pandemic safe working conditions, ADA accessibility, Upgrade EOC audio/video situational awareness system, and improve ventilation system. These improvements mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in an enclosed working space critical to emergency response activities.		\$ 600,000.00
Public Health     COVID-19 Testing	COVID-19 Testing Kits	Testing Kits for city employees to prevent the spread of COVID-19.	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
Negative Economic Impact     Assistance to Non-Profits	Nonprofit Partner Community Programs	Community servicing programs provided by nonprofit organization partnerships. Nonprofit subrecipients will provide social service programs to impacted and disproportionately impacted communities per ARPA guidance.	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00
Negative Economic Impacts     Strong Healthy Communities:     Neighborhood Features that     Promote Health & Safety	Bordwell Gymnasium	Complete construction project of gymnasium at Bordwell Park.	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 3,000,000.00
REVENUE REPLACEMENT				
	Government services as identified belo	w:		
	Northside Heritage Meadows Potable Water, Sewer and Broadband Infrastructure	Install necessary water infrastructure and sewer connections at the Northside Heritage Meadows project to facilitate workforce and job training in agriculture to build the capacity of local food systems to respond to food insecurity needs. The local, regional and national food systems experienced a variety of negative economic impacts from the public health order. Northside Heritage Meadows project is in a census track that is both low income (AB 1550) and disadvantaged (SB 859).	\$ 445,000.00	\$ 445,000.00
Refuse Trucks  Refuse Non-Payment Loss		The Public Works Department Solid Waste Division operates a fleet of automated refuse trucks to pick up residential trash, recycling, and green waste from residences throughout the City of Riverside. Each year the Solid Waste Division replaces automated refuse trucks; however, replacement of vehicles has not been consistent enough over the years. A large number of the City's current fleet is due for replacement based on vehicle age, mileage and maintenance costs. Each vehicle will be replaced in accordance with the division's equipment replacement plan and federal, state and local environmental regulations.	\$ 4,000,000.00	\$ 4,000,000.00
		The Refuse Division has had many challenges during the past few years, including an aging fleet, a 15% increase in the amount of residential waste picked up by City crews, implementation of State mandated and unfunded programs including residential organics recycling, dramatic costs for processing recycled materials, lost revenue from the Street Sweeping Sign Replacement effort, and additional revenues lost due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic there was a substantial increase in delinquent accounts. The Refuse fund anticipates lost revenues in excess of \$1M as a result of these delinquent accounts, and is not eligible for the same State-funded revenue replacement programs as other utilities including water and sewer services.	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00
	Artist in Residence Public Art Projects	Two (2) year pilot program to support the creative economy and to strengthen creative placemaking across our community. Artists receive funding to complete public art projects in a specified geographic region. Artists receive support with resources, introductions, etc. for successful completion of project.	\$ 185,000.00	\$ 185,000.00
6. Revenue Replacement	Citywide Park Improvement Program	City Infrastructure Investment: PRSCD various projects including regulatory and deferred maintenance	\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ 8,400,000.00
	Police Department Equipment	Equipment to be used by Traffic team for traffic collision scenes and can be used by our Forensic Techs for outdoor homicide/rape/major crime scenes. This equipment replaces the an older version of this equipment that is outdated due to the time it takes to process scenes. The new large scanner will process the same scene in less than half the time that the old scanner does as well as several other upgrades. Equipment purchase includes freestyle handle held 3d scanner for the Forensics unit that is used to process indoor crimes scenes. This does the same thing as the large scanner but is used for smaller indoor scenes and takes a fraction of the time that the large scanner takes.	\$ 170,000.00	\$ 170,000.00
Parking Revenue Loss		The revenues associated with Downtown Parking Operations (Garages, Lots, and On-Street Parking) have steadily declined since early 2020 due to limited activity as a result of Covid-19. The Downtown Parking Operations declined by 27% from fiscal year 2018-19 compared to fiscal year 2019-20. The fund is forecasted to continue declining to an overall 45% reduction compared to pre-pandemic levels for a total loss of \$1.35 million over this two-year period. At this time, a new parking rate is delayed to allow for community engagement.	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 1,500,000.00

ARPA Category	Project Name	Project Description Funding Request Amount		st Recommended Funding	
	Hydrogen Power Plant  Build/invest in a portion of a city owned and operated Hydrogen Fuel Manufacturing facility. This effort aligns with the Strategic Plan, Cross Cutting Thread of Sustainability and Resiliency, Strategic Priorities of Environmental Stewardship (Goal 4.1, 4.6 – carbon neutrality) and Infrastructure, Mobility and Connectivity (see Indicators and Goal 6.2).		\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	
	Library Materials	Purchase of Library materials including books, audiobooks, ebooks/audiobooks, and other digital resources. Library to provide a significant non-English language collection both in print and digital. It will also allow the Library to update adult education and career testing materials, small business collections, and legal collections at all locations.	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 600,000.00	
	Affordable Housing Fund	Affordable housing fund for development incentives throughout the city.	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 1,388,797.00	
	Citywide Revenue Loss \$ 15,000,000		\$ 15,000,000.00	\$12,188,797	
7. Administrative	ARPA Program Administration	Administration of SLFRF program, including costs to support the effective management and oversight.	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	

\$ 36,767,594.00

Location	Ward		Description	Budgeted	Estimated Cost
		Surfacing	Replacement Priority		
La Sierra Park	3	1	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2009		\$ 410,000.0
Andulka	7	1	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2009		\$ 505,000.0
Fairmount Park	1	1	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2011		\$ 420,000.0
Dario Vasquez	2	1	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2005		\$ 135,000.0
Reid Ball Field	1	1	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2007		\$ 255,000.0
Myra Linn	6	1	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2003		\$ 500,000.0
Hunt Park	5	2	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2002		\$ 255,000.0
Mt. View	3	2	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2009		\$ 240,000.0
Orange Terrace Lower	4	2	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2001		\$ 305,000.0
Bryant Park	6	2	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2005		\$ 350,000.
Harrison Park	5	2	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2003		\$ 255,000.
Shamel Park	3	3	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed		\$ 230,000.
Villegas Park	4	3	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2006		\$ 505,000.
Washington Park	4	3	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2005		\$ 315,000.
Highland Park	1	3	Re-Top/Complete Surfacing Installed 2003		\$ 525,000.
	Playarou	nd Fauipn	Tota nent Replacement	5 -	\$ 5,205,000.
	1.379.30		Playground 19 years oldR&R playground equipment/surfacing		
Dario Vasquez	2	1	and fibar surface installation		\$ 900,000.0
Thundersky Park	4	1	Playground is 27 years old		\$ 400,000.0
Taft Park	4	i	Playground is 30 years old		\$ 400,000.0
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Bergamont Park			Playground is 30 years old		\$ 400,000.0
Collette Park	6	2	Playground is 28 years old		\$ 400,000.
Castleview Park	4	3	Playground is 28 years old		\$ 400,000.
Harrison Park	4	3	Playaround is 21 years old		\$ 900,000.
			Tota	\$ -	\$ 3,800,000.
	ŀ	IVAC Rep	acement		
Solander Center	4	1	HVAC R&R Units are 40+ years old		\$ 75,000.0
La Sierra Park	7	1	Gym/Office HVAC 20+ years old. Air Handler 40+ years old		\$ 200,000.0
Nichols	3	1	Gym HVAC 20+ years old, Air Handler 40+ years old		\$ 125,000.0
Reid	T i	i	Gym/Office HVAC 20+ years old, Air Handler 40+ years old		\$ 125,000.
Andulka Park Itennis	3	2	I Tennis Center		\$ 65,000.
Janet Goeske	3	2	Senior Center 20-30 years old		\$ 325,000.
La Sierra Senior Center	7	2	Entire Building		\$ 128,000.
Bryant	6	3	HVAC 15+ years old		\$ 275,000.
Fairmount Izaac Walton	i	3	Main Room 20+ years old		\$ 50,000.
Fairmount Boat House	i	3	Upper Floor HVAC 20+ years old		\$ 120,000.
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		Parking La	of Repairs		
Janet Geokse	3	1	Repair, Slurry Seal and Stripe		\$ 150,000.0
Reid Park	1	1	Grind and overlay		\$ 80,000.
La Sierra Park	7	2	Repair, Slurry Seal and Stripe		\$ 130,000.
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Orange Terrace	4	2	Repair, Slurry Seal and Stripe		\$ 75,000.
Bryant Park	6	2	Repair, Slurry Seal and Stripe		\$ 30,000.
Fairmount	1	3	Repair, Slurry Seal and Stripe		\$ 150,000.
Bonaminio	1	3	Repair, Slurry Seal and Stripe		\$ 165,000.
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Orange Terrace Gym Floor Replacement	4	1	Orange Terrace Gym Floor Replacement		\$ 275,000.
Orange Terrace Banquet Room	4	1	Floor Replacement		\$ 100,000.
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Orange Terrace Teen Lounge		<u> </u>	Floor Replacement		\$ 40,000.
Arlanza Community Center	6	1	Gym Floor Replacement		\$ 300,000.
Geoske Fitness Room	3	2	Floor Replacement		\$ 40,000.
			Tota		\$ 755,000.
			Budgeted		
			Estimated cos		\$ 12,028,000.0



### **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN**

### City Manager's Office

**City Council** February 7, 2023

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## BACKGROUND

- 1. On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act
- 2. The Interim Final Rule provided eligibility guidance
- On November 9, 2021, the City Council approved the first Expenditure Plan -\$36,767,594
- 4. The City received two installments of \$36,767,594 each in June 2021 and 2022 for a total amount of \$73,535,189
- 5. The Final Rule was issued in January 2022 and became effective on April 1, 2022



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## PROPOSED EXPENDITURE PLAN

### **CATEGORY 1 - PUBLIC HEALTH**

Project Name	Funding Request Amount	Recommended Funding
EOC remodel/situational awareness system/ventilation upgrade	\$600,000	\$600,000
COVID-19 Testing Kits	\$90,000	\$90,000

### **CATEGORY 2 – NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT**

Project Name	Funding Request Amount	Recommended Funding
Nonprofit Partner Community Programs	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Bordwell Gymnasium	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000



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## PROPOSED EXPENDITURE PLAN

### **CATEGORY 6 - REVENUE REPLACEMENT**

Project Name	Funding Request Amount	Recommended Funding
Northside Heritage Meadows Potable Water, Sewer and Broadband Infrastructure	\$445,000	\$445,000
Refuse Trucks	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
Refuse Non-Payment Loss	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Artist in Residence Public Art Projects	\$185,000	\$185,000
Citywide Park Improvement Program	\$5,000,000	\$8,400,000
Police Department Equipment	\$170,000	\$170,000
Parking Revenue Loss	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
Clean and Green Energy Generation Pilot	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Library Materials	\$600,000	\$600,000
Affordable Housing Fund	\$800,000	\$1,388,797
City-wide Revenue Loss	\$15,000,000	\$12,188,797

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## PROPOSED EXPENDITURE PLAN

#### **CATEGORY 7 – ADMINSTRATION**

Project Name	Funding Request Amount	Recommended Funding
ARPA Program Administration	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000

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## CITY WIDE PARK IMPROVEMENT PLAN

### PARK IMPROVEMENT PLAYGROUND RENOVATIONS

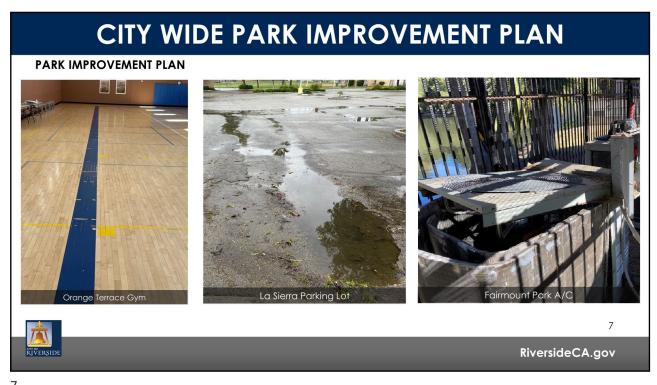






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### FIRST EXPENDITURE PLAN REALLOCATION

#### FIRST EXPENDITURE PLAN

Project Number	Project Name	Recommended Funding Reallocation Amount
1-26	Broadband Grants	\$ 1,600,000



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### STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The ARPA Expenditure Plan is interwoven throughout the entire 2025 Envision Riverside Strategic Plan.

### **Cross-Cutting Threads**



Community Trust







Equity



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### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**Subject:** [External] Public comment: Feb 7th Agenda Item #14 ARPA Expenditure Plan for second allocation of grant funds (support)

Dear Mayor and City Council,

This is Maribel Nunez, Ward 1 constituent, and affordable housing advocate and part of Inland Equity Community Land Trust.

I wanted to let our support for Agenda Item #14 ARPA Expenditure plan budget allocation for affordable housing fund and that you include a higher amount versus the recommended funding. If you can allocate more than requested amount of \$1,388,797.00

In order to address the RHNA 18k numbers, we need more resources to build affordable housing.

Best, Maribel Nunez Inland Equity Partnership

cc Mayor City Council City Manager City Attorney ACMs

From: yolanda esquivel <yesquivel36@yahoo.com>

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Subject: [External] Agenda Item # 14ARPA Expenditure

Dear Mayor and City Council,

This is Yolanda Esquivel, Ward 2 constituent, and affordable housing advocate and Board Member of LULAC OF RIVERSIDE, COUNCIL #3190.

I wanted to let our support for Agenda Item #14 ARPA Expenditure plan budget allocation for affordable housing fund and that you include a higher amount versus the recommended funding. If you can allocate more than requested amount of \$1,388,797.00. We would like to recommend at least 7 to 8 million dollars be added to the proposed recommendation. We can wait for the building of more parks or upgrades to other buildings, however, our residents, especially low income families and senior citizens are in dire need of affordable housing.

In order to prioritize housing in our City of Riverside, we must allocate more sensible funds.

Thank you,

Yolanda Esquivel LULAC OF RIVERSIDE COUNCIL #3190 951-334-7863

cc Mayor City Council City Manager City Attorney ACMs

CC Date: 2-7-23

Item No.: 14

**Subject:** FW: [External] Agenda Item #14 Comment

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Hello, please find attached a letter from CCAEJ in support of allocating \$5 million for affordable housing from the ARPA funds.

Cheers,

Marven E. Norman (he/him), Policy Specialist
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#### CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ACTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

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February 7, 2023

City of Riverside Attn: Mayor & City Council 3900 Main Street Riverside, CA

Submitted via email to <u>city\_clerk@riversideca.gov</u>.

Re: Agenda Item #14 American Rescue Plan Act Expenditure Plan for second allocation of grant funds of \$36,767,594 - Reallocate funds of \$1,600,000 from First Allocation Expenditure Plan Project 1-26 Broadband Grants to Parks Maintenance Project

Dear Mayor Lock-Dawson and Riverside City Council:

Please accept these comments on behalf of CCAEJ in support of our partners at Inland Equity Partnership calling for allocating \$5 million of the American Rescue Plan Act funding to affordable housing needs. With an ongoing housing crisis, there is a considerable need for additional funding to be made available to help deliver more housing and keep people off the streets. With the allocation available from the ARPA funding, the gap could be filled to deliver an appreciable number of homes and help reduce waits for current affordable units. Thus, we hope to that you the leadership of the City of Riverside are able to make the investments necessary to deliver on the needs.

If there are any additional questions or comments regarding our support, please do not hesitate to reach out for clarification.

Sincerely,

Marven Norman Policy Specialist

CC: Inland Equity Partnership

**CCAEJ** is a long-standing community based organization with over 40 years of experience advocating for stronger regulations through strategic campaigns and building a base of community power. Most notably, CCAEJ's founder Penny Newman won a landmark federal case against Stringfellow Construction which resulted in the 'Stringfellow Acid Pits' being declared one of the first Superfund sites in the nation. **CCAEJ** prioritizes community voices as we continue our grassroots efforts to bring lasting environmental justice to the Inland Valley Region.

**Subject:** FW: [External] Support for Item 14

From: Ekaterina Orlovie < <a href="mailto:ekaterina.orlovie@gmail.com">ekaterina.orlovie@gmail.com</a>>

Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 4:30 PM

To: CityClerkMbx < <a href="mailto:CityClerk@riversideca.gov">City Clerk@riversideca.gov</a>>

Subject: [External] Support for Item 14

Hello, I'd like to add my voice in support of the funding for the Artist in Residency program in Riverside (item 14).

Thank you!

Yekaterina "Orlovie" Fishell 909 463 8659

cc Mayor City Council City Manager City Attorney ACMs

From: Maribel Nunez <maribel@inlandequitypartnership.org>

Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 7:21 AM

**To:** CityClerkMbx < <a href="mailto:CityClerk@riversideca.gov">City Clerk@riversideca.gov</a>>; Lock Dawson, Patricia < <a href="mailto:PDawson@riversideca.gov">PDawson@riversideca.gov</a>>; Edwards, Erin

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**Subject:** [External] Inquiry: Feb 7th Agenda Item #14 ARPA Expenditure Plan for second allocation of grant funds (support)

Dear Mayor and City Council,

I wanted to thank city council members, particularly Councilmember Clarissa Cervantes, Erin Edwards, and Steve Hemenway that supported community's suggestion to increase the ARPA Fund allocation.

At the end of the item,. Wasn't clear on what the outcome was regarding whether or not there was increase allocation for affordable housing fund?

Can I have some give me more information what happened?

Maribel Nunez Inland Equity Community Land Trust

On Tue, Feb 7, 2023, 10:41 AM Maribel Nunez <maribel@inlandequitypartnership.org> wrote:

Dear Mayor and City Council,

This is Maribel Nunez, Ward 1 constituent, and affordable housing advocate and part of Inland Equity Community Land Trust.

I wanted to let our support for Agenda Item #14 ARPA Expenditure plan budget allocation for affordable housing fund and that you include a higher amount versus the recommended funding. If you can allocate more than requested amount of \$1,388,797.00

In order to address the RHNA 18k numbers, we need more resources to build affordable housing.

Best, Maribel Nunez Inland Equity Partnership

cc M ayor City Council City Manager City Attorney ACMs

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