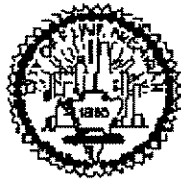


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Meeting Agenda - DRAFT

Monday, September 25, 2023

4:30 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

SPECIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Ladel Lewis, Chairperson, Ward 2

*Eric Mays, Ward 1
Judy Priestley, Ward 4
Tonya Burns, Ward 6
Dennis Pfeiffer, Ward 8*

*Quincy Murphy, Ward 3
Jerri Winfrey-Carter, Ward 5
Candice Mushatt, Ward 7
Eva L. Worthing, Ward 9*

Davina Donahue, City Clerk

ROLL CALL

REQUEST FOR CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Members of the public shall have no more than three (3) minutes to address the City Council on any subject.

COUNCIL RESPONSE

Councilpersons may respond to any public speaker, but only one response and only when all public speakers have been heard. Individual council response is limited to two (2) minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

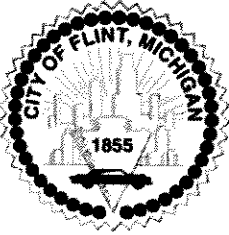
Per the amended Rules Governing Meetings of the Flint City Council (as adopted by the City Council on Monday, February 27, 2023), the Presiding Officer or Chair may request the adoption of a "Consent Agenda". After a motion to adopt a Consent Agenda is made and seconded, the Presiding Officer or Chair shall ask for separations. Any agenda item on a Consent Agenda shall be separated at the request of any Councilmember. After any separations, there is no debate on approving the Consent Agenda - it shall be voted on or adopted without objection.

RESOLUTIONS

230281.1 Amended Resolution/ARPA Fund Utilization/Pandemic Impact on Health Disparities of Pregnant-New Mothers and Their Infants in Flint/Michigan State University/Flint Rx Kids Program

An amended resolution resolving that the appropriate City Officials are authorized to do all things necessary to provide funding to Michigan State University [for the Flint Rx Kids Program], amend the FY24 budget, and appropriate funding for revenue and expenditures in future fiscal years, for as long as funds are available from the funder. Funds will be paid from the American Rescue Plan Act fund (287). Before funds are spent, the City of Flint's ARPA administration, compliance, and implementation firm shall review and ensure compliance with the latest US Department of Treasury final rules. [NOTE: The Administration recommends funding up to \$1,000,000 for Michigan State University for the Flint Rx Kids Program.] [NOTE: Resolution amended to remove "...amend the FY24 budget..." from the Resolved paragraph.]

ADJOURNMENT



230281.1

RESOLUTION NO.: _____

PRESENTED: AUG 28 2023

ADOPTED: _____

RESOLUTION TO UTILIZE ARPA FUNDS TO RESPOND TO THE IMPACTS OF THE PANDEMIC ON HEALTH DISPARITIES OF PREGNANT / NEW MOTHERS AND THEIR INFANTS IN FLINT

The City of Flint is a duly created and validly existing political subdivision of the State of Michigan under the Constitution and laws of the state of Michigan, and;

On March 11, 2021, the President of the United States of America signed into law the “American Rescue Plan Act of 2021”, also known as House Resolution 1319, an Act approved by the Congress of the United States, and which authorized the Treasury of the United States to disburse certain funds to local governments, including the City of Flint, which could be used for specific and defined purposes, and;

In accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the City of Flint wishes to exercise its right to extend and disseminate assistance to impacted households tied to specific criteria, as authorized by the Act, to assist citizens who may have been impacted financially by the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic.

The administration recommends funding up to \$1,000,000 for Michigan State University for the Flint Rx Kids program. Funding is to come from the following account:

Account Number	Account Name / Grant Code	Amount
287-729.100-801.000	FUSDT-CSLFRF	\$1,000,000

IT IS RESOLVED that the appropriate City officials are authorized to do all things necessary to provide funding to Michigan State University and appropriate funding for revenue and expenditures in future fiscal years, for as long as funds are available from the funder. Funds will be paid from the American Rescue Plan Act fund (287). Before funds are spent, the City of Flint’s ARPA administration, compliance, and implementation firm shall review and ensure compliance with the latest US Department of Treasury final rules.

For the City:

For the City Council:

Clyde D. Edwards, City Administrator

Approved as to Form:

Approved as to Finance:

William Kim, City Attorney

Jane Mager, acting Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION STAFF REVIEW

Date: August 8, 2023

Agenda Item Title:

RESOLUTION TO UTILIZE ARPA FUNDS TO RESPOND TO THE IMPACTS OF THE PANDEMIC ON HEALTH DISPARITIES OF PREGNANT / NEW MOTHERS AND THEIR INFANTS IN FLINT

Prepared by:

Emily Doerr, Director of Planning and Development

Background/Summary of Proposed Action:

On October 24, 2022, the Flint City Council adopted an ARPA Allocation Plan for allocating the remaining \$60,351,968.00 of the City’s remaining ARPA funding. This included \$5,000,000 in COVID response / Contingency. From this line item, the Mayor is recommending that the City of Flint join the State of Michigan, C.S. Mott Foundation, Ruth Mott Foundation, Michigan Health Endowment Foundation, and the Jacobs Family Foundation in funding a citywide program called Rx Kids, led by Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha (Director of the MSU-Hurley Children’s Hospital Pediatric Public Health Initiative), which is a public/private partnership to address child poverty and health equity. It tackles a root cause of health disparities through the provision of cash allowances to pregnant / new mothers in Flint. The full program budget is \$55M and the effort has raised \$35M so far. It is slated to start in early 2024.

The program funds are running through Michigan State University and being coordinated by GiveDirectly, a nonprofit that is running similar programs like this around the world. The data collection and research evaluation will be a partnership between Michigan State University, University of Michigan (led by Dr. Luke Shaefer, Director of University of Michigan’s Poverty Solutions initiative), and Give Directly. On average the program will serve 1200 pregnant / new mothers a year for a total of 6000 over the five (5) year program period. To be eligible for these grants, women who are pregnant must have the pregnancy “verified” through a prenatal health provider at a 20-week check-in. At that point, enrollment begins with the first cash transfer of \$1500. Once the baby is born, monthly allowances of \$500 repeat for the first 12 months and new mothers engage with a network of resources to help increase their health and that of their baby. Programs like this around the world have shown to decrease maternal and infant mortality rates. This program seeks to do that in Flint as well as rebuild trust between Flint residents and their local government.

Financial Implications: ARPA funds must be obligated by 12/31/24 and fully expended by 12/31/26.

Budgeted Expenditure: Yes ___ No X **Please explain, if no:**

Project Type	Organization Name	Amount	Investment per Household	Households assisted with COF ARPA funds
Flint Rx Kids	MSU	\$1,000,000	\$7,500	Estimated 130 (total 6000)

Pre-encumbered: Yes ___ No x

Requisition #: _____

Other Implications: No other implications are known at this time.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of this resolution.

APPROVAL _____

Emily Doerr, Director, Planning and Development