

**CITY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM REPORT**

**DATE:** February 14, 2024

**SUBMITTED BY:** Collette Tibby

**ITEM TYPE:** Resolution

**TEMP. RESOLUTION NUMBER:** TR14086

**AGENDA SECTION:** CONSENT AGENDA

**TITLE:** TR14086 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Tamarac, Florida, amending the adopted spending plan for the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) totaling \$897,007 allocated to the Housing Division of the Community Development Department as a part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); authorizing the City Manager or appropriate City Officials to execute documents necessary to initiate the implementation process; providing for conflicts; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Director of Community Development recommends that the Mayor and City Commission adopt the amended spending plan for the State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) created by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), and allow staff to transfer funds between established activities, at its February 14, 2024 Commission meeting.

**BACKGROUND:** On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) into law.

The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program was created as a part of ARPA. SLFRF delivered \$350 billion to state, local, and Tribal governments across the country to support their response to and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

SLFRF program provides substantial flexibility for each jurisdiction to meet local needs within the four separate eligible use categories:

1. Replace lost public sector revenue,
2. Support the COVID-19 public health and economic response,

3. Provide premium pay for eligible workers performing essential work, and
4. Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

The City of Tamarac's SLFRF allocation was \$10,897,007. \$10 million was used for revenue replacement and the remaining allocation was granted to the housing division for eligible activities. At the May 10, 2023 City Commission meeting, a spending plan was adopted via Resolution R-2023-057.

On January 24, 2024, the City Commission, by consensus, amended the allocation for Rental Gap Assistance in the amount of \$200,000 to broaden the scope to include a mortgage assistance program, using the same guidelines as previously used in the past. Additionally, to allow for efficient expenditure of the funds, and to assist residents in need, staff is also recommending that the Commission authorize the transfer of funds between the Single-Family Weatherization-Roof and Windows and the Residential Assistance (Rental Gap & Mortgage Assistance) Programs.

**ISSUE:**

To ratify the City Commission January 24, 2024 amendment to the adopted spending plan for the ARPA funds and allow staff to transfer funds between established activities to ensure a timely response to residents need.

**STRATEGIC GOALS:**

Goal #4: Tamarac is Vibrant

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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