



CITY OF PATASKALA

RESOLUTION 2021-025

Passed June 7, 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE STATE OF OHIO ASSOCIATED WITH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA).

WHEREAS, in March 2021, the U.S. congress passed, and President Biden signed, H.R. 1319, also known as the “American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” (or ARPA), which provides \$360 billion in grant funding to state, local, territory and tribal governments; and,

WHEREAS, all funds provided by the ARPA program must be spent in compliance with the restrictions provided for in the enabling legislation; and

WHEREAS, the City has been notified that it can expect to receive an allocation of approximately \$3.1 million in ARPA funding, such funds are to be committed to be spent (encumbered) on or before December 31, 2024 and physically spent no later than December 31, 2026; and.

WHEREAS, the ARP act provides that one approved usage of the funds is for the improvement of water, sewer and stormwater infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City has areas within the city that lack adequate water, sewer and stormwater infrastructure or which require significant maintenance or replacement of existing infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that repairing and improving such infrastructure meet the legal requirements of the ARPA act as well as the spirit of the legislation; and

WHEREAS, the City is required as a condition of receiving the aforementioned funds and pursuant to Ohio Auditor of State Bulletin 2021-004 to create and establish a separate fund which is to be named the ‘Local Fiscal Recovery Fund’ to account for all grant-related funding received and spent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF PATASKALA, COUNTY OF LICKING, STATE OF OHIO, A MAJORITY OF MEMBERS CONCURRING THAT:

Section 1: The City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to enter into any and all agreements required by either the Federal or State government in order to accept funds on the City’s behalf related to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA).

Section 2: The Finance Director is hereby directed to create a new fund to account for all grant-related revenues and expenditures, such fund to be named the ‘Local Fiscal Recovery Fund’.

Section 3: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of Council, and that all deliberations of the Council and any of the decision-making bodies of the City of Pataskala which resulted

in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the State of Ohio.

Section 4: This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by the Charter of the City of Pataskala.

ATTEST:


Kathy M. Hoskinson, Clerk of Council


Michael W. Compton, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Brian M. Zets, Law Director