## **Columbus Consolidated Government Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	State of Georgia - State of Fiscal Recovery Fund Application
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to apply, and if awarded, accept and amend the American Rescue Plan Fund by the amount awarded from the State of Georgia. The grant funding will be utilized by various departments for approved American Rescue Plan projects.
INITIATED BY:	City Manager's Office

**Recommendation:** Approval is requested to apply, and if awarded, accept and amend the American Rescue Plan Fund by the amount awarded for American Rescue Plan projects approved by the State of Georgia – State of Fiscal Recovery Funds. The grant funding will be utilized by various departments for approved projects.

**Background:** The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 was signed into law on March 11, 2021. It was \$1.9 trillion for economic relief from the devastating economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Funding was provided directly to states and local government. The State of Georgia has released an application process to provide a funding opportunity to local governments and others throughout the state of Georgia. Application deadline is August 31, 2021.

<u>Analysis:</u> If awarded the City could receive funding for various projects that meet the American Rescue Plan criteria.

<u>Financial Considerations</u>: There will be no financial impact. There are no match requirements for this grant.

<u>Legal Considerations:</u> The City Attorney will review all grant agreements prior to obtaining the City Manager's signature.

**Recommendation/Action:** Approval is requested to apply, and if awarded, accept and amend the American Rescue Plan Fund by the amount awarded for American Rescue Plan projects approved by the State of Georgia – State of Fiscal Recovery Funds. The grant funding will be utilized by various departments for approved projects.

## **A RESOLUTION**

NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT AND AMEND THE AMERICAN RESCUE FUND BY THE AMOUNT AWARDED FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROJECTS APPROVED BY THE STATE OF GEORGIA – STATE OF FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS.

**WHEREAS**, the American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law on March 11,2021; and,

**WHEREAS,** \$1.9 trillion for economic relief from the devastating economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic was funded; and,

WHEREAS, local and state governments were allocated funding through the ARP; and,

**WHEREAS**, the State of Georgia has released a funding opportunity for local governments and others.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

To authorize the City Manager to apply, accept, and amend the American Rescue Plan Fund by the amount awarded for America Rescue Plan projects approved by the State of Georgia – State of Fiscal Recovery Funds.

C	meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the 2021 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ncil.
Councilor Allen voting	
Councilor Barnes voting	·
Councilor Crabb voting	
Councilor Davis voting	
Councilor Garrett voting	·
Councilor House voting	
Councilor Huff voting	
Councilor Thomas voting	
Councilor Tucker voting	
Councilor Woodson voting	·
Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council	B.H. "Skip" Henderson, Mayor