



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 4, 2024

SUBJECT: ARPA Funding: Consideration to amend the ARPA grant agreement with Mountain View Community Development and recategorize other funds

RECOMMENDED MOTIONS:

1. Move approval of Document No. 2024-658, amending Mountain View Community Development's original ARPA grant agreement (Document No. 2023-826).
2. Move to recategorize \$250,000 in ARPA funds from CHRO Operations to Revenue Replacement.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

In August of 2023, the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners allocated remaining ARPA funds. At today's meeting, staff will provide information regarding two of those allocations.

Mountain View Community Development

The Board of Commissioners allocated \$200,000 of ARPA funds to Mountain View Community Development (MVCD) for a transitional shelter community RV park. Approved components of the work included site work, infrastructure investment, community building, and restroom/laundry outbuildings.

MVCD has requested use of the funds to support feasibility study work for the purposes below:

1. To determine possible avenues for development of the county owned property on the north side of Highway 126 adjacent to Oasis Village.
2. To determine proof of concepts that could be replicated for the property, focusing on housing for those falling in the 0 to 30% of AMI.
3. To identify potential partners for the development of the site.

Deschutes County Legal Counsel advises that this work falls outside of the existing approved grant agreement scope and requires an amendment to proceed. A draft amendment is provided for the Board's review and consideration.

Coordinated Houseless Response Office

The Board of Commissioners allocated \$250,000 for Coordinated Houseless Response Office (CHRO) operations in years three, four and five, as years one and two were covered by a grant from the State of Oregon. Staff has since learned of the possibility that these funds may no longer be needed for this purpose, and recommends the recategorization of the \$250,000 to Revenue Replacement so as not to lose the opportunity to use the funds before the December 31, 2024 obligation deadline. If desired, the Board of Commissioners can determine any amount of these funds to remain earmarked in the general fund ARPA reserve for CHRO support.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

The proposed MVCD grant amendment would only revise the grant agreement scope of work, and would not affect the amount of the ARPA grant.

Any funds reallocated to the Revenue Replacement category would increase funds within the already established General Fund Reserve for recategorized ARPA funds, and be available to earmark for specific projects.

ATTENDANCE:

Rick Russell, Mountain View Community Development

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