

ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: May 16, 2022

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SUBJECT: Resolution No. 2022-26 CARES Provider Relief Fund (Phase 4 and ARP

Rural Distributions)

BACKGROUND

Novel Corona Disease 2019 (COVID 19) is a severe acute respiratory illness which can spread from human to human. Under the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Securities (CARES) Act (Phases 1-3), the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services ("HHS") distributed \$92.5 billion in relief funds to qualifying providers who bill Medicare fee-for-service during the coronavirus pandemic. This was based on 2% of patient care revenue.

Phase 4 and ARP Rural Distributions made available funding of \$25.5 billion. This included state Medicaid /CHIP programs, Medicaid managed care plans, dentist, and certain Medicare providers along with those that received payments in phase 1-3.

ANALYSIS

HHS supports healthcare-related expenses or lost revenue attributable to COVID-19 and ensures uninsured Americans can get treatment for COVID-19. HHS has contracted with United Health Group and has begun distribution of payments under the CARES Provider Relief Fund.

Under Phase 4, applicants who already received a baseline payment of approximately 2% for patient care, were invited to apply for additional funding that considered financial losses and changes in operating expenses caused by the coronavirus. Previous ineligible providers will also be eligible for relief payments.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The City proposes to accept Phase 4 funds the in the amount of \$46,136.28 for eligible payment, in accordance with the Terms and Conditions.

LEGAL

Resolution 2022-26 has been prepared in accordance with all applicable Florida State Statues and City regulations.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approval of Resolution 2022-26 authorizing the acceptance of CARES Provider Relief Funds.