

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSOURI TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSOURI, AND THE JACKSON SENIOR CENTER FOUNDATION, A MISSOURI NONPROFIT CORPORATION OF JACKSON, MISSOURI, RELATIVE TO THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) was signed into law providing federal funding relief for American workers, families, industries, and state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, the United State Department of Treasury has released a guide on allowed uses of funds and allocated money for state, local, territorial and Tribal governments from the ARPA Fund; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson, Missouri (the “City”) received an allocation from the ARPA Fund; and

WHEREAS, under section 602(c)(3) of ARPA, the City may transfer funds to a private non-profit entity for the purpose of meeting ARPA’s goals; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to distribute a portion of its ARPA Fund allocation to the Foundation for the purpose of assisting the Jackson Senior Center (the “Center”), a Missouri Non-profit Corporation located within the City that has suffered negative economic impacts as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, The Center was opened in 2005 under the Older Americans Act (OAA) of 1965, for the purpose of meeting the nutritional and social needs of senior citizens who are residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, The Center prepares approximately three hundred (300) hot meals daily for senior citizens who are residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the home delivered and congregate meal programs are vital for providing the nutritional needs of senior citizens who are residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Center closed from March of 2020 to June 2021 due to the Covid-19 pandemic which resulted in significant revenue loss for the Center because of continued payment of ongoing financial requirements including the payment of employees; and

WHEREAS, the Center is in need of replacement of kitchen equipment that is unreliable and affects the Center's ability to meet the needs of senior citizens who are residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the kitchen equipment needs include replacement of the stove, steam table and dishwasher; and

WHEREAS, a significant part of the Center's services include the delivery of meals to senior citizens who are homebound residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the current van used for deliveries is ten (10) years old, often requires repairs and is unreliable, and a new van is needed to meet the nutritional needs of senior citizens who are residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, additional funds are needed due to increased operation expenses including payroll and food costs; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Senior Center Foundation is the entity responsible for managing the equipment and funds necessary for the Center to meet the nutritional needs for the senior citizens who are residents of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Jackson, Missouri, approve the Memorandum of Understanding marked Exhibit A and attached hereto and incorporated herein as fully set forth between the City of Jackson, a Municipal Corporation and the Jackson Senior Center Foundation, a Non-Profit Missouri Corporation. It is the belief of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Jackson, Missouri that the City enter into said Memorandum of Understanding.

Section 2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Memorandum of Understanding for and on behalf of the City of Jackson, Missouri.

Section 3. That the City Clerk of the City of Jackson is hereby authorized and directed to attest to the signature of the Mayor on the attached Memorandum of Understanding.

Section 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

FIRST READING: June 20, 2022.

SECOND READING: June 20, 2022.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of June, 2022, by a vote of _____ ayes, _____ nays, _____ abstentions, and _____ absent.

CITY OF JACKSON, MISSOURI

(SEAL)

BY: _____
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk