



MEDINA, WASHINGTON

AGENDA BILL

September 13, 2021

Subject: American Rescue Plan Act Funding

Category: City Business

Staff Contact: Michael Sauerwein, City Manager

Summary

As we have previously discussed, the **American Rescue Plan Act** has allocated an estimated ~~\$720,000~~ \$918,735 to the City of Medina. 50% of the allocated funds will be distributed to the City in 2021 and 50% in 2022. The 2021 distribution will be on or around June 27, 2021. The deadline for expending all distributed funds is December 31, 2024. Eligible uses of the funds are outlined below.

The Five Eligible Uses of Funding

1. Supporting the public health response by funding COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff.
2. Replace lost public sector revenue to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs.
3. Support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses.
4. Address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic on certain populations.
5. Investing in infrastructure improvement, repairs, and replacement. Specifically:
 - a. Broadband, targeting rural and remote areas that have minimal access.
 - b. Water systems (our water system is owned and operated by the City of Bellevue).
 - c. Sewer systems, in two subcategories:
 - i. Wastewater (also owned and operated by the City of Bellevue).
 - ii. Stormwater.

Potential Uses for Funds

City Staff has identified the following potential uses for the funds and encourages additional ideas from the City Council and community.

- Maintain the City's inventory of personal protective equipment.
- Indoor air quality testing of City Hall by an Industrial Hygienist and follow-up with the Hygienist recommendations. (See attached memo from Development Services Director Steve Wilcox)
- Contract with the Bellevue Fire Department's *Bellevue CARES* Program to address the medical and behavioral healthcare needs of our community. <https://bellevuewa.gov/city-government/departments/fire/medical/fire-cares>

Bellevue Fire has offered to provide this service for three years (2022, 2023, and 2024) @ \$28,000 per year.

- Invest in improvements, repairs, and replacement of our stormwater infrastructure.

Attachment

Medina City Hall Air Quality Testing and Moisture Investigation, Steve Wilcox, Director of Development Services.

Budget/Fiscal Impact:

\$918,735 over three years.

Recommendation:

Discussion and direction from the City Council.

City Manager Approval:



Proposed Council Motion:

NA

Time Estimate: 30 minutes