



AGENDA

MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR & CITY COMMISSIONERS

VIA: RODNEY LUCAS, CITY MANAGER

FROM: Peggy Boule-Washington

SUBJECT: American Rescue Plan Act Fund Allocation – Non-For-Profit Subrecipient Grant Program

DATE: July 18, 2023

GENERAL SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The City of Pahokee has instituted an ARPA Not-For-Profit Subrecipient Grant Program. The intent of the Program is to provide and encourage rehabilitation and the preservation of local small businesses by offering financial assistance and support for façade rehabilitation and improvements along with supporting challenges faced with financial assistance for administrative cost to small businesses in the Pahokee.

The City of Pahokee has received an allocation of \$3,162,890. The funds were received in two transactions of \$1,581,445. Program fiscal year, FY2022-23, allocating: \$245,455.00 to fund the following program initiatives:

- ✓ Job Workforce Program (\$15,152.00)
- ✓ Education Program (\$15,148.00)
- ✓ Training Program (\$15,155.00)
- ✓ Business Development Program (\$200,000.00)

The City of Pahokee has developed an ARPA Not-For-Profit Subrecipient Grant Program in the amount of \$15,155 is created to provide training programs to support small businesses within the City. The program will assist with keeping the doors of our local businesses open, provide workforce training, job creation, support sustainability, protect local jobs, support community recovery, increase the resiliency of local businesses in our community. Through the program, the City will provide eligible businesses with a grant of up to \$15,155 to address the aforementioned needs. Grant funding will be based on addressing loss revenue caused by the pandemic. Not-For-Profit businesses must meet all the eligibility/criteria requirements to qualify for grant funding.

Priority will be given to businesses that have not received any government relief support funding. This includes but is not limited to: The Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), SBA's COVID EIDL Program, and Palm Beach County's Restart Business Grant Program.

In a combined effort to spend the City's allocated funds responsibly, the City's elected officials established an advisory committee, meetings, workshops and townhalls to share thoughts and suggestions as to what City ARPA funds should be allocated to.

BUDGET IMPACT: No negative budget impact.

LEGAL NOTE: N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Approve resolution.

ATTACHMENTS:

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Exhibit A