

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 24**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS OF 2021 TO ESTABLISH A COVID-19 ARPA SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR A TOTAL ALLOCATION AMOUNT OF \$200,000.00 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, an ARPA Agreement was entered into between the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management (the "Division") and City of Pahokee (the "Non-Entitlement Unit" or "Recipient") on September 7, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, The State of Florida, through the Division, will make a disbursement of each non-entitlement unit of local government's allocation. The total Fiscal Recovery Funds allocation for Recipient under the ARPA Agreement is Three Million, One Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand, Eight Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$3,162,890.00) to be received in two (2) tranches; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Pahokee desires to establish a COVID-19 ARPA Small Business Development Program for a combined total amount not to exceed Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) utilizing ARPA funds; and

**WHEREAS**, for the program pertaining to the COVID-19 ARPA Small Business Development Program, the amount that may be awarded to each qualifying business shall not exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) and shall further not exceed Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) for the Program as a whole, as set forth by the program terms attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, approval of the COVID-19 ARPA Small Business Development Program is in the best interest of the City of Pahokee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Adoption of Representations. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

**Section 2.** Authorization of City Manager. The City Commission of the City of Pahokee Florida hereby authorizes the use of American Rescue Plan Act Funds of 2021 for the establishment of a ARPA Small Business Development Program, as attached

hereto as Exhibits "A." The City Commission further authorizes the City Manager to expend funds up to a total allocation amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) for the fiscal year 2022-2023 for the ARPA Small Business Development Program.

**Section 3.** Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May 2023.

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Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Tijauna Warner, CMC, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

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Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A.  
City Attorney

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**VOTE:**

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| Mayor Babb            | _____ (Yes) | _____ (No) |
| Vice Mayor Murvin     | _____ (Yes) | _____ (No) |
| Commissioner Boldin   | _____ (Yes) | _____ (No) |
| Commissioner Gonzalez | _____ (Yes) | _____ (No) |
| Commissioner Perez    | _____ (Yes) | _____ (No) |

**EXHIBIT A**

ARPA Small Business Development Program Guidelines and Application