

City Council Meeting

Agenda Item

Data Sheet

Meeting Date: November 4, 2024

Topic:

Presentation and discussion regarding the status of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, and possible action for proposed direction for the remaining allocation of ARPA funds.

Background:

Enacted on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) authorized \$1.9 trillion in federal pandemic relief funds. Of that, \$350 billion was authorized in state and local government fiscal assistance. As a non-entitlement unit (NEU), the City of Tomball requested funds through the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) and the City received \$2,924,190.64 in ARPA funds.

Under the regulations for ARPA funding, all funds must be “committed” or under contract by December 31, 2024 and the proposed projects for fiscal year 2025 while allow for all funding to be under contract by the required deadline. The table below depicts the designations approved by City Council for the ARPA funds received by the City, as well as the proposed projects for fiscal year 2025. All ARPA funding received must be under contract by December 31, 2024, any additional funding from the pending projects will be brought back to City Council to be allocated to a project approved by the regulations for ARPA funding for approval.

Resolution No.	Approval Date	Original Amount Authorized	Updated Authorization	Project
2022-03	January 7, 2022	\$1,766,231.20	\$1,635,780.48	Water Meter Replacement
2024-15	April 15, 2024	\$100,000.00	\$102,055.00	Depot Museum Enhancements
2024-15	April 15, 2024	\$450,000.00	\$338,565.87	Louie’s Together Playground
2024-34	Pending	\$770,036.92	\$696,572.00	Jerry Matheson Park Phase II
N/A		\$95,000.00	\$95,000.00	Grant Administration
TOTAL COMMITTED			\$2,867,973.35	
REMAINING			\$56,217.29	

Based on the updated authorizations, the City has \$56,217.29 remaining in ARP funds as unobligated. Staff is requesting Council direction as to what projects or expenditures they would like staff to review as possible allocations for the remaining funds. Councilmembers have discussed the following projects as potential projects for the remaining allocation:

- Depot Christmas tree replacement, \$40,000 (already purchased)
- Tomball gateway monuments, \$52,000
- Outdoor speakers for Depot, \$62,000

Origination: Project Management

Recommendation:

n/a

Party(ies) responsible for placing this item on agenda: Meagan Mageo, Project Management

FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE)

Are funds specifically designated in the current budget for the full amount required for this purpose?

Yes: _____ No: _____ If yes, specify Account Number: # _____

If no, funds will be transferred from account # _____ To account # _____

Signed Meagan Mageo Approved by _____
Staff Member Date City Manager Date