

Town Council Workshop

Monday, January 24, 2022 at 7:30 pm

- 1. CALL TO ORDER, PRAYER AND PLEDGE
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. WORKSHOP ACTION
 - **a.** Discuss Potential Projects for American Rescue Plan Funding Exhibit: Agenda Report Number 3a

Attachments:

- Agenda Report Number 3a (American_Rescue_Plan_Act_Workshop.pdf)
- 4. ADJOURNMENT

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American Rescue Plan Act Workshop: Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF):

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Agenda



IRS FINAL RULE UPDATE



ELIGIBLE USES OVERVIEW



POTENTIAL USES



TOWN COUNCIL DISCUSSION



NEXT STEPS

Key Dates

- The final rule takes effect on April 1, 2022
 - recipients can choose to take advantage of the final rule's flexibilities and simplifications now, ahead of the
 effective date.
- Under the SLFRF program funds must be :
 - Used for costs incurred on or after March 3, 2021.
 - Obligated by December 31, 2024,
 - Expended by December 31, 2026. This time period, during which recipients can expend SLFRF funds, is the "period of performance."
- As a non-entitlement unit of local government (NEUs), deemed a Tier 6 recipient, the first reporting deadline to submit the Project and Expenditure Report is April 30, 2022 and annually afterwards.
 - A Project and Expenditure Report will be made available for your jurisdiction to complete ahead of your April 30, 2022 deadline.
 - Further guidance will be provided once the Treasury Portal opens this spring.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY Final Rule Issued January 2022

- In May 2021, Treasury published the <u>Interim final rule</u> (IFR) describing eligible and ineligible uses of funds (as well as other program provisions), sought feedback from the public on these program rules, and began to distribute funds.
- The IFR went immediately into effect in May, and since then, governments have used SLFRF funds to meet their immediate pandemic response needs and begin building a strong and equitable recovery, such as through providing vaccine incentives, development of affordable housing, and construction of infrastructure to deliver safe and reliable water.
- As governments began to deploy this funding in their communities, Treasury carefully considered the feedback provided through its public comment process and other forums. Treasury received over 1,500 comments, participated in hundreds of meetings, and received correspondence from a wide range of governments and other stakeholders.
- The final rule delivers broader flexibility and greater simplicity in the program, responsive to feedback in the comment process.

Final Rule - Key Changes

Replacing Lost Public Sector Revenue

• Offers a standard allowance for revenue loss of \$10 million, allowing recipients to <u>select between a standard amount of</u> <u>revenue loss or complete a full revenue loss calculation.</u> Recipients that select the standard allowance may use that amount – in many cases their full award – for government services, with streamlined reporting requirements.

Public Health and Economic Impacts

- Recipients can use funds for capital expenditures that support an eligible COVID-19 public health or economic response.
- Provides an expanded set of households and communities presumed to be "impacted" and "disproportionately impacted" by the pandemic.

Premium Pay

• Delivers more streamlined options to provide premium pay, by broadening the share of eligible workers who can receive premium pay without a written justification while maintaining a focus on lower-income and **frontline workers performing essential work.**

Water, Sewer & Broadband Infrastructure

• Broadens eligible broadband infrastructure investments to address challenges with broadband access, affordability, and reliability, and adds additional eligible water and sewer infrastructure investments, including a <u>broader range of lead</u> remediation and stormwater management projects.

Certain Restrictions

Considerable flexibility to use funds to address the diverse needs of their communities, some restrictions on use apply across all eligible use categories:

- 1. For states and territories: No offsets of a reduction in net tax revenue resulting from a change in state or territory law.
- 2. For all recipients except for Tribal governments: No extraordinary contributions to a pension fund for the purpose of reducing an accrued, unfunded liability.
- 3. For all recipients: No payments for debt service and replenishments of rainy-day funds; no satisfaction of settlements and judgments; no uses that contravene or violate the American Rescue Plan Act, Uniform Guidance conflicts of interest requirements, and other federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

Eligible Uses Overview

Replacing Lost Public Sector Revenue

- 2 options use the Standard Allowance up to \$10 million or Calculate Revenue Loss.
- Government services generally includes any service traditionally provided by a government, including
 construction of roads and other infrastructure, provision of public safety and other services, and health and
 educational services. Funds spent under government services are subject to streamlined reporting and
 compliance requirements.

Responding to Public Health and Economic Impacts of COVID-19

- public health,
- assistance to households,
- assistance to small businesses,
- assistance to nonprofits,
- aid to impacted industries, and
- public sector capacity.

Capital Expenditures

• Projects equal to or greater than \$1 million, require written justification to determine eligibility.

Town of Malabar Non-Entitlement Unit









RECOVERY FUND ALLOCATION TOTAL \$1,595,220

FUNDS ARE DISPERSED IN TWO ALLOCATION PERIODS:

1ST TRANCHE, RECEIVED OCTOBER 1, 2021, \$797,610 2ND TRANCHE, EXPECTED OCTOBER 1, 2022, \$797,610

Suggested Allocation and Expenditure Use

"Standard Allowance" is used to replace Loss of Revenue eligible use for General Government	
Document Imaging – digitized public records storage.	\$60,000
Technology Software Subscription & Implementation \$20,000 Scanning Services of stored Paper documents \$40,000	
Digital PSA Signage on Malabar Road	\$38,000
Public Restroom Touchless Upgrades	\$50,000
Automatic Hand Washing Faucets, Occupancy Sensor Lighting, Automatic Soap/Sanitizer Dispensers, Hand Dryers, Auto-Flush Toilets.	
E-Signature Solution for online submissions, applications, and conversion of paper forms & corresponding informational instruction.	\$15,000
Technology Equipment for Cybersecurity & Remote Office Productivity	\$20,000
Streaming and Broadcasting Public Meetings	\$35,000
Software solution for Fire incident/EMS reporting and response, preplans and annual inspections with corresponding in-field hardware	\$25,000
Medical & PPE Supplies	\$25,000
Field Asset Tracking Instruments – GPS Enabled	\$18,000
Public Safety, Public Health, and Human Services Staff	\$72,307
Recreation Improvements to Parks Resurface Tennis Courts, Basketball Court, Playground Surface Revamp Courts/areas to multipurpose uses – ie. Pickle Ball, Futsal/Soccer Hard Surface Walking/Exercise Stations Lighting/Irrigation/Increase Parking at the Park	\$200,000
Running Total	\$558,307

Consideration of Remaining Funds for Major Infrastructure

Balance of Funding	\$1,036,913
Road Paving	
Stormwater	
Water Services	
Facility Improvements/Construction	

Next Steps Based on Town Council Discussion

