

## RESOLUTION NO. 2022-21

### Resolution Authorizing Expenditure from American Rescue Plan Act Funds

The Council of the Village of Jacksonville, Athens County, Ohio, met in regular session on the June 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2022 at the office of Village Council with the following members present:

Butch Chapman  
Jay Chapman  
Gary Simons

Clinton Augustine  
Angela Ströck

Councilperson Clinton Augustine moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Jacksonville, Athens County, Ohio, has received a distribution of monies (the “ARPA Funds”) from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA” or the “Act”); and

**WHEREAS**, Congress passed the Act effective March 11, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 603 created the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund which, among other things, appropriated money to cities, nonentitlement units of local government, and counties to mitigate the fiscal effects stemming from the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 603(c) generally provides that:

1. USE OF FUNDS. Subject to paragraph (2), and except as provided in paragraphs (3) and (4), a metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county shall only use the funds provided under a payment made under this section to cover costs incurred by the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county, by December 31, 2024 –
  - a. to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
  - b. to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID–19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
  - c. for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county due to the COVID–19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county prior to the emergency; or
  - d. to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

**WHEREAS**, Department of Treasury Final Rule, published on January 6, 2022, and effective April 1, 2022, provides in part that:

Treasury presumes that up to \$10 million in revenue has been lost due to the public health emergency and recipients are permitted to use that amount (not to exceed the award amount) to fund “government services.” [The “standard allowance”].

**WHEREAS**, the Rule further observes that:

The standard allowance provides an estimate of revenue loss that is based on an extensive analysis of average revenue loss across states and localities, and offers a simple, convenient way to determine revenue loss particularly for Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund’s smallest recipients. This change is intended to promote administrative efficiency and simplify revenue loss calculation for smaller recipients.

**WHEREAS**, the Rule further clarifies that recipients can use:

SLFRF funds on government services up to the revenue loss amount, whether that be the standard allowance amount or the amount calculated using the Final Rule four-step process. Government services generally include any service traditionally provided by a government, unless treasury has stated otherwise.

**WHEREAS**, some common examples of “government services” expressly recognized by Treasury are as follows:

- Road building and maintenance, and other infrastructure
- Health services
- General government administration, staff, and administrative facilities
- Environmental remediation
- Maintenance or pay-go funded building infrastructure
- Modernization of cybersecurity, including hardware, software, and protection of critical infrastructure

**WHEREAS**, “Government services is deemed by Treasury the most flexible eligible use category under the SLFRF program, and funds are subject to streamlined reporting and compliance requirements;” and

**WHEREAS**, funds utilized pursuant to the standard revenue loss allowance continue to have certain restrictions, including:

- Deposit into pension funds
- Satisfaction of settlements or judgments
- Contributions to financial reserves or “rainy day” funds

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council has identified a project which, in the judgment of the Council, qualifies as a permitted use of the ARPA Funds, in direct support of governmental services, which consists of the following:  
Municipal Building Roof Repair and Village Roadway Repair/Paving (the “Projects”).

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Jacksonville that:

**SECTION 1:** The Village elects to use the standard allowance and its presumption of revenue loss due to the public health emergency and to use the amount authorized herein to fund government services

**SECTION 2:** The Project is hereby authorized and shall be paid for from the ARPA Funds in the amount of/an amount not to exceed: \$50,481.26.

**SECTION 3:** The Project described herein serves the objectives of the Act by providing services traditionally provided by a government, namely:

- Road repair, maintenance and other transportation and safety services
- Public infrastructure support
- General government administration and administrative facilities
- Parks and recreational facilities and programs

**SECTION 4:** Accordingly, the Project is in the best interests of the Village and is deemed a priority for the community.

**SECTION 5:** No obligations paid under the authority of this Resolution were incurred prior to March 3, 2021.

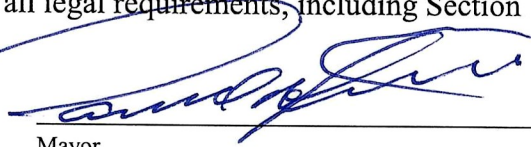
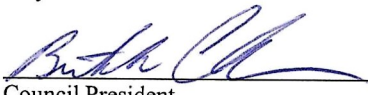
Councilperson Gary Simons seconded the Motion, and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

Councilperson Butch Chapman, yes  
Councilperson Jay Chapman, yes  
Councilperson Gary Simons, yes

Councilperson Clinton Augustine, yes  
Councilperson Angela Ströck, yes  
Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Village concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Village Council, and that all deliberations of the Village Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Adopted on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.

Approved:   
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Mayor  
  
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Council President

Attest: Heather Rockwell  
Fiscal Officer

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Heather Rockwell, Fiscal Officer for the Village of Jacksonville, Athens County, Ohio, certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Jacksonville, and appears in the Village records as Resolution 2022-21.

Publication of this Resolution was made by posting a copy of the same in the following five locations within the Village beginning on July 1, 2022 and concluding on July 18, 2022 (at least 15 days later):

Jacksonville Post Office  
VFW Jacksonville  
Corner Pizza & Deli

Eagles Club Jacksonville  
Jacksonville Municipal Building

ATTEST: DATE: 6/30/22 FISCAL OFFICER: Heather Rockwell