

**Kenosha**



**County**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

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| Subject:<br><b>Resolution for the Approval of 2022 Expenditures of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for Long Term Seasonal Bonuses</b> |  |   |                                      |
| Original <input type="checkbox"/>   | Corrected <input type="checkbox"/>           | 2nd Correction <input type="checkbox"/> | Resubmitted <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Date Submitted: January 13, 2022  | Date Resubmitted:                            |   |                                      |
| Submitted By: Finance & Administration Committee  |  |   |                                      |
| Fiscal Note Attached <input type="checkbox"/>   | Legal Note Attached <input type="checkbox"/> |   |                                      |
| Prepared By: Patty Merrill, Finance Director, Finance Division  | Signature:                                   |   |                                      |

**WHEREAS**, the 117<sup>th</sup> US Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill, and President Biden signed this act into law on March 11, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenosha County has been identified as being apportioned approximately \$32.935 million in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenosha County has received the first tranche of funds in the amount of \$16.468m; and

**WHEREAS**, the second tranche will be available after twelve months following the date of the receipt of the first tranche; and

**WHEREAS**, these American Rescue Plan funds can be expended from March 3, 2021 to December 31, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the on May 18, 2021 the County Board of Supervisors directed the Administration to develop a plan to expend this funding, and bring this plan and any related budget modification to the County Board of Supervisors for approval; and

**WHEREAS**, in May, 2021, Treasury released the Interim Final Rule (IFR); and

**WHEREAS**, in September, 2021, Treasury announced that the Interim Final Rule is the governing rule until the Final Rule is released; and

**WHEREAS**, the Interim Final Rule has identified four broad categories in which ARPA funds can be expended; and

**WHEREAS**, two of the broad areas identified in the IFR include:

- Responding to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency;
- For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue;

**WHEREAS**, Kenosha County Long Term Seasonal staff are essential workers and have spent many hours performing essential work during the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board has expressed a desire to provide funds to Long Term Seasonal staff in 2022 who were not included in the December 3, 2021 bonuses; and

**WHEREAS**, some Long Term Seasonal staff may qualify for premium pay; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenosha County experienced significant revenue loss in 2020 due to the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue includes additional pay to staff including those who do not qualify for premium pay; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kenosha County Plan was presented to the Finance & Administration Committee on October 14, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kenosha County Plan has identified proposed expenditures for 2022; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors approve the allocation of ARPA funds for 2022 Bonuses to Long Term Seasonal staff not to exceed \$35,000 as shown in the attached budget modification and authorize Administration to process journal entries and transfers as needed to properly account for the use of these funds;

Approved by:

FINANCE/ADMINISTRATION  
COMMITTEE

|                                       | <u>Aye</u>               | <u>No</u>                | <u>Abstain</u>           | <u>Excused</u>           |
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