



Board of County Commissioners

2401 SE Monterey Road
Stuart, Florida 34996

Agenda Item Summary

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DEPT-3

Meeting Date: 7/9/2024

PLACEMENT: Departmental

TITLE:

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) RECONCILIATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) was signed into law on March 11, 2021. The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLRF) includes direct federal aid to all counties, a broad range of use of the recovery funds, the allowance for lost revenues in the most recent full fiscal year on the local level and a deadline of December 31, 2024 to incur funds. Martin County's allocation of ARPA SLRF funds is \$31 million. Staff is requesting to reallocate funds from completed projects to other eligible projects in order to meet ARPA grant requirements.

DEPARTMENT: Administration

PREPARED BY: **Name:** George M. Stokus
Title: Assistant County Administrator

REQUESTED BY:

PRESET:

PROCEDURES: None

BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:

On June 22, 2021 Martin County staff presented the Board of County Commissioners a program expenditure plan for the ARPA SLRF funds that were provided by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Program	Budgeted Allocation	Expended Allocation	
Capital Sewer/Stormwater Assistance	\$13,000,000		
Mental Health Programs	\$2,500,000		
Nonprofit Program (CAP)	\$2,500,000		
Nonprofit Operations (CPR)	\$1,250,000	\$201,605	Sunset and reallocated to Clerk Digitization Program
Broadband	\$1,000,000		
Food and Sundries Assistance	\$3,200,000		

Library Assistance	\$750,000		
Economic Development Assistance	\$3,500,000		
<i>Tourism Assistance</i>	\$2,600,000	\$0.00	Deemed Ineligible directed to below projects 2/1/22
Wojocieszak Park	\$1,700,000		
Camino Trail	\$800,000		
Rental Assistance	\$100,000		
Clerk Digitization Program	\$510,000	\$380,749.43	Created with remaining CPR Funds on 1/24/23
Library Digitization Program	\$400,000		Created with canceled Gateway to the Arts Project 1/24/23
E-Book Collection Expansion	\$224,600		Created with canceled Gateway to the Arts Project 1/24/23

ISSUES:

On June 24, 2024, staff conducted an analysis of all the ARPA projects that were not complete. Staff reconciled projects that had funds available and projects that had projected deficits. The table below reflects the staff's recommendation to reallocate the remaining ARPA funds based on the timeline requirements set forth by the ARPA grant requirements:

Allocated Project	Budget Allocation	Budget Projection	Difference	Justification
ARPA Septic to Sewer	\$1,500,000	N/A	\$1,500,000	Reallocate funds to Camino Trail with room for contingencies due to the inability to meet the timeline requirements of ARPA
Camino Trail	\$3,162,673	\$4,227,888	\$(1,180,000)	Budget Deficit
Langford Park - Shade Structure	\$80,000	N/A	\$(80,000)	Provide shade for park facility
East Ridge Park - Playground Replacement	\$80,000	N/A	\$(80,000)	Equipment is dated and due for life cycle replacement

L. Cpl. Justin Wilson Park - Lighting and Racquetball Court Improvements	\$80,000	N/A	\$(80,000)	Equipment is dated and due for life cycle replacement
Tropical Farms Park - Playground Replacement	\$80,000	N/A	\$(80,000)	Equipment is dated and due for life cycle replacement
ARPA Economic Development Assistance	\$3,500,000	\$4,500,000	\$(1,082,428.17)	Unforeseen conditions primarily related to asbestos remediation and necessary utility work for the REACH Center
ARPA CAP	\$5,700,000	\$5,063,932.44	\$617,560.56	Reallocate funds to ARPA Economic Development Assistance
ARPA Food Capital	\$1,314,449	\$886,089	\$432,360	Reallocate funds to ARPA Economic Development Assistance
ARPA Fairground Projects	\$2,652,719.50	\$2,620,211.89	\$32,507.61	Reallocate funds to ARPA Economic Development Assistance

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:

None

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECOMMENDATION

Move that the Board reallocate funds from ARPA Septic to Sewer, Community Assistance, Food Capital and Fairground programs to the REACH Center, Camino Trail, Langford, East Ridge (Hobe Hills), L. Cpl. Justin Wilson, Tropical Farms projects.

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Provide staff with further direction as to how to proceed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

RECOMMENDATION

None

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None

DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:

- ☐ Budget Transfer / Amendment ☐ Chair Letter ☐ Contract / Agreement
☐ Grant / Application ☐ Notice ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution
☐ Other:

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