

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY AND SERVE AS THE AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL TO RECEIVE AND ADMINISTER AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,021,045.

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite, Texas (the “City”), is recognized as a metropolitan city for purposes of the U.S. Treasury allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (“CLFRF”); and

WHEREAS, as such, the City’s allocation of ARPA monies from the CLFRF is \$27,021,045.00; and

WHEREAS, there still remain present, immediate, and emergency relief and planned public health needs that need to be met from the ARPA and related funding; and

WHEREAS, ARPA allocation of CLFRF funds may be used for a deliberate and strategic spending framework that includes addressing the public health threat and economic impacts; providing premium pay to essential staff; allow the City to capture lost revenue caused by the pandemic; and allocate funding investments in eligible water, sewer or broadband projects; and

WHEREAS, despite health risks presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, the City remained “open” during the COVID-19 pandemic and City employees continued working and providing essential services to the community; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to recognize eligible City employees that continued working through the COVID-19 pandemic providing essential services with one-time premium pay utilizing ARPA allocated CLFRF funds as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City hereby endorses and accepts the ARPA allocation of CLFRF funds from the United States Department of the Treasury.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents in connection with ARPA allocated CLFRF funds including, without limitation, all documents necessary for the purpose of requesting, receiving and dispensing the funds consistent with ARPA and CLFRF requirements and guidelines, including but not limited to utilizing the funds not exceeding the collective, total sum of \$2,500,000.00 to provide for and make one-time premium pay payments to City employees when and as determined by the City Manager.

SECTION 3. The premium pay allowed by this Resolution shall not increase or otherwise impact any City employee’s base salary which shall remain unchanged by the action allowed by this Resolution.

SECTION 4. The City Manager is directed to present to the City Council a proposed framework for spending the ARPA allocated CLFRF funds and periodic reports updating the City Council on the expenditure of the funds.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 21st day of June 2021.

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Bruce Archer  
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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Sonja Land  
City Secretary



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David L. Paschall  
City Attorney