

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE June 5, 2023

TO Honorable Chair and Members of the Workforce, Education and Equity Committee

SUBJECT **Upcoming Office of Community Care Agenda Item Related to Emergency Rental Assistance Round 2 Additional Funds – June 14, 2023**

On June 14, 2023, an Office of Community Care (OCC) item accepting additional federal funding for the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program will be considered by Dallas City Council.

Item 23-1196: Authorize the **(1)** application for and acceptance of additional grant funds from the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") for the American Recovery Plan Act ("ARPA") ERA Round 2 Program (CFDA No. 21.023) in an amount not to exceed \$2,391,688.48; **(2)** establishment of appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$2,391,688.48 in the ARPA ERA Program Round 2 Fund; **(3)** receipt and deposit of funds in an amount not to exceed \$2,391,688.48 in the ARPA ERA Program Round 2 Fund; **(4)** disbursement of funds in an amount not to exceed \$2,391,688.48 from the ARPA ERA Program Round 2 Fund; and **(5)** execution of any documents necessary with the Treasury to accept and/or spend the funds - Not to exceed \$2,391,688.48 from \$51,762,890.47 to \$54,154,578.95 - Financing: U.S. Department of the Treasury ERA Program Grant Fund

Background

This item will authorize to accept, receive, and deposit additional federal grant funding for the ERA Program Round 2. There has been a need in the Dallas community for rental assistance since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic when many households faced eviction after loss of income, increased expenses, or both. This additional funding will help families and individuals impacted due to or during the COVID-19 pandemic to stay housed. Due to the community need, the City of Dallas requested additional reallocated funds in order to continue to provide rental assistance programming and to serve more residents.

On March 11, 2021, ARPA was signed into law, making additional funding available through the Treasury for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERA2).

On June 23, 2021, City Council authorized the acceptance of \$50,225,677.40 in ARPA Act funds and authorized to receive, deposit, and disburse \$20,090,270.96 in ARPA funds to provide emergency rental assistance services for individuals directly and indirectly impacted by and/or during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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SUBJECT **Upcoming Office of Community Care Agenda Item – ERA 2 Additional Funds – February 22, 2023**

On April 27, 2022, City Council authorized to receive, deposit, and disburse \$15,067,703.22 in ARPA funds to provide ERA services for individuals directly and indirectly impacted by and/or during the COVID-19 pandemic.

On August 10, 2022, City Council authorized to receive, deposit, and disburse an additional \$15,067,703.22 in ARPA funds to provide ERA services for individuals directly and indirectly impacted by and/or during the COVID-19 pandemic.

On February 22, 2023, City Council authorized to receive, deposit and disburse an additional \$1,437,213.07 in ARPA funds to provide ERA services for individuals directly and indirectly impacted by and/or during the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds were reallocated to the City based on demonstrated need and performance.

This item authorizes the City to receive, deposit and disburse an additional \$2,391,868.48 for the ERA Round 2 program.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Office of Community Care Director, Jessica Galleshaw, at Jessica.galleshaw@dallascityhall.com.



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