

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS' MEETING - FRIDAY, JULY 15, 2022
ARPA COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brian Baird, Commissioner, at 1:01 p.m. Ron Deer, Councilman, Kevin Walls, Commissioner, Ron West, Commissioner, and Jonathan T. Myers, Councilman, were present. Rob Henderson, Councilman, arrived at 1:07 p.m.

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Funding

Mr. Baird stated that he had previously met with Andy Barnhart, Sheriff's Chief Deputy, and Shena Johnson, County Attorney, to review possible ARPA Funding for the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT).

Mr. Barnhart approached the podium to discuss the Crisis Intervention Team proposed budget for 2022, 2023, and 2024 in the amount of \$963,040.01. He provided each of the committee members with a handout showing a revised budget; the original budget was submitted at a prior meeting. Mr. Barnhart stated the current handout reflects changes requested previously by the ARPA committee. He further stated information included in the handout explains a structure expansion project at the Sheriff's Office. The structure consists of office space for the CIT; noting if or when CIT was moved into a permanent facility this structure would be used by the Sheriff's Administrative Office. The office expansion has an estimated construction cost of \$405,000. Mr. Henderson stated any ARPA Funding for this project would be 100% Regulatory Funds. Discussion was held and all questions were addressed.

Mr. Walls made a motion to dedicate \$1,000,000 from ARPA Funds to the Crisis Intervention Team. Mr. Deer seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Baird stated if the full amount of \$1,000,000 is not used it will revert back to the original fund.

Mr. Henderson stated he would agree to round up the requested amount to \$1,000,000 from ARPA Funds to the CIT as long as the additional funds were used for the sole purpose of construction. It was unanimously agreed this stipulation would be included in the motion above.

Mr. Baird requested reports be brought to the ARPA Committee as this project moves forward; they would like to see data relevant to the program such as number of calls, types of calls, and follow up by CIT.

Mental Health Facility Discussion

Mr. Walls gave a general update on the Drake Road Project and the relocation of the proposed Highway Campus Facility. Mr. Walls stated ARPA funds have a sunset date; many things would need to happen in order for the Campus Facility/Relocation Project to be a success. He said this timeframe will not work in order to utilize any of the ARPA Funds for the Campus Facility/Relocation Project. He further explained that he and Wes Harrison, Project Manager, had met with the architects and re-engaged their services on the original Drake Road Project. He explained that \$100,000 had been previously appropriated from the ARPA Committee for the Drake Road Design Project; full design cost is based on 5% off the total cost with a total of \$325,000. Mr. Walls said his purpose today was to ask for an additional \$225,000 to continue with the original Drake Road Design Project he noted once this is complete the bidding for the

physical pricing could begin; they are working to get rough estimates at this time. He said this project is for the Health Department and the Coroner's Office to be located on Drake Road; he noted this is part of the overall Mental Health Facility Discussion. Conversation was held and all questions were addressed.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to approve an additional \$225,000 for completion of the design work on the Drake Road Project; this will be for the Health Department and the Coroner's Office. Mr. Myers seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Baird held further discussion in regards to the ARPA Committee and their responsibilities. He stated he would appreciate patience and understanding when it comes to the many different projects funded by ARPA; this is not easy and everyone wants to be good stewards of this money.

Consideration of Requests for Funding by Outside Entities

Mr. Baird stated the discussion today is based on finding a way to consider requests for ARPA Funds by outside entities.

Mr. Deer stated he had researched this idea with other communities and explained his findings to the Committee. Discussion was held and all questions and ideas were addressed.

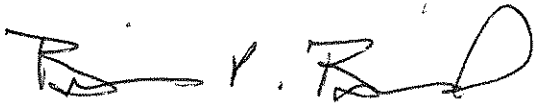
Mr. Deer and Mr. Henderson both volunteered to spearhead this project and come back to the Committee with specific details for further discussion noting only Regulatory ARPA Funds would be considered for this project.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to allocate \$1,000,000 for potential requests of APRA Funds by outside entities. The motion also included the possibility of working with an outside third party to assist nonprofits who are based in Johnson County and are serving Johnson County Residents. He said this will be done through an application process using only Regulatory ARPA Funds and specifically excludes Discretionary ARPA Funds. Mr. Myers seconded the motion which carried 5-1; Mr. West voted nay.

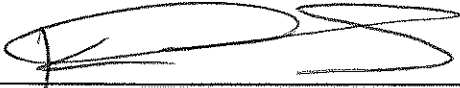
AJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Walls moved to adjourn. Mr. Henderson seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

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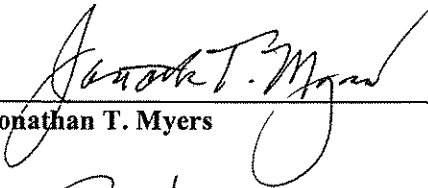
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Ron Deer

Attest:

Pamela J. Burton
Auditor

