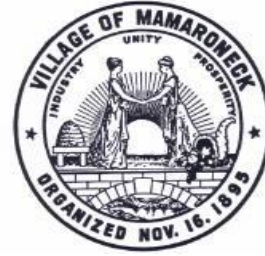


MEMORANDUM



To: Jerry Barberio, Village Manager

From: Daniel J. Sarnoff, Assistant Village Manager

Re: Use of ARPA Funds

Date: January 6, 2022

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Following up on our discussions at work session and our meeting yesterday, below are several options and recommendations for the use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. Over the course of two years, the Village will receive a little over \$1,900,000 in these funds.

As you are aware, the use of the funds is prescribed by federal law. We will be attending a virtual seminar next week and can follow up if there are additional questions or concerns. The below represent recommendations for the first years payment (approx. \$930,000)

Affordable Housing - \$100,000

Staff recommends that \$100,000 be set aside for a grant program to encourage the development of affordable housing. It is envisioned that it could be used to help property owners improve their homes for the purpose of creating and fostering affordable housing.

Displace Workforce Initiative - \$100,000

A \$100,000 grant program to assist residents who experienced job loss/reduced hours as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and associated shutdowns. I would recommend that a scoring system be established to mirror the industries impacted by the pandemic and were not allowed to open until later stages of the phased reopening.

Food Stabilization Program - \$50,000

Food insecurity remains an ongoing impact of the pandemic as evidenced by the continual demand of volunteer resources. The Village can set aside \$50,000 program to “Feed Your Neighbors” to support these type of programs.

Broadband Infrastructure - \$200,000

Enhance broadband infrastructure and availability to residents living in the flood prone areas of the Village’s Low-Moderate Income Census tracts (area between I-95 to the north, the Metro-

North railroad bridge to south between the Sheldrake and Mamaroneck Rivers. Also include Mamaroneck Avenue between the railroad bridge and Post Road (US Route 1) and Harbor Island Beach.

Sewer Rehabilitation Project - \$450,000

In terms of capital infrastructure, the Village is limited to water and sewer infrastructure. Staff proposes dedicating \$450,000 for this purpose. Staff further recommends that since the Village is limited in how it can spend ARPA funds, the Board consider a supplemental appropriation of fund balance in the amount of \$450,000 to be committed towards other capital needs. The Clerk-Treasurer and I can identify and recommend specific capital projects.

Reinstatement of Deferred Salary Increases for Non-represented Personnel - \$30,000

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Fiscal Year 2020/21 General Fund Budget was revised to reduce salary increases for non-represented personnel by 50%. Salary Increases were not affected for represented employees (CSEA and PBA).

This was reviewed with the Board at their December 13, 2021 work session, and there seemed to be a consensus to move forward with this item.

I thank you for your time and attention to this matter and respectfully request that this item be placed on the January 10, 2022 work session for review with the Board of Trustees.