

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ARP CORONAVIRUS LOCAL  
FISCAL RECOVERY FUND**

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) was enacted; and

**WHEREAS**, the ARP provides \$350 billion in emergency funding to state and local governments and the City of Portage will be a recipient of that funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Indiana State Board of Accounts has provided guidance to funding recipients;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED** by the Common Council of the City of Portage, Indiana:

**Section 1.** Fund established.

There is hereby established a fund to be known as the ARP Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund.

**Section 2.** Sources of funding.

The source of funding includes monies allocated to the city from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and distributed to the city in 2021 and 2022.

**Section 3.** Uses of funding.

(A) The City shall only appropriate and use the funds to cover costs incurred by the City by December 31, 2024, for the following:

- (1) To respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
- (2) To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the City that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
- (3) For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of the city due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the City prior to the emergency that being 2019; or
- (4) To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

(B) The Common Council shall adopt a plan which provides details for the use of funds.

**Section 4.** Amendments.

This ordinance may be amended from time to time if additional guidance is received from any federal or state agency.

**Section 5.** The ARP Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund shall exist until terminated by ordinance of the Common Council. Moneys from this Fund may not be transferred to another fund of the City.

**Section 6.** Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by the Common Council and approval by the mayor.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Common Council of the City of Portage, Indiana,  
on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Presiding Officer

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Portage, Porter County, Indiana, this \_\_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Nina Rivas  
Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by me, the Mayor of the City of Portage, Porter County, Indiana, this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Sue Lynch  
Mayor