

## Ordinance 25-2020

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#### **Purpose**

Ordinance on second reading amending the 2020 annual appropriation for CARES Act funds.

#### **CARES Act Funds**

- CARES Act provided funding to populations of 500,000+
- Arapahoe County and Jefferson County have received funds
- Both counties have opted to distribute to cities within their jurisdictions
- Distributions to cities follow the Federal distribution method 55% (county)/45% (cities)
- Distribution of \$4,409,413 to Littleton

## **CARES Act Funds (cont.)**

- Both IGA's were approved by council on May 19, 2020
- Potential eligible costs were further discussed during the May 26, 2020 study session
- Counties are custodians of the funds and have fiduciary and reporting responsibilities
- Counties have final determination on eligible expenditures
- Defined reporting requirements for cities

#### **Use of Funds**

- Defined uses per CARES Act:
  - are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
  - 2. were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government;
  - 3. were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.

## Use of Funds (cont.)

- U.S. Treasury noted expenses:
  - must be necessary due to the public health emergency (both direct response and second-order effects);
  - may not be used to offset lost tax revenue; and
  - unspent funds as of Dec. 30, 2020 must be returned.
- Ineligible expenses
- Clarification of eligible expenditures is pending
- Initial review of potential expenditure results

## **Fiscal Impacts**

- Allocation to Littleton \$4,409,413
  - Arapahoe County \$4,199,211
  - Jefferson County \$210,202
- No impact to fund balance due to revenue offset
- This budget amendment of \$4,409,413 will appropriate funds in the Grants Fund

#### **Alternatives**

- Approve amendment as presented
- Do not approve the amendment, thus delaying availability of the CARES Act funds for spending and reimbursement

#### **Staff Recommendations**

• Staff recommends approval of the amendment to the 2020 annual appropriation bill.

# Questions?