

RESOLUTION NO. 12182023-1

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF CORONAVIRUS LOCAL
FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS FOR THE PROVISION OF SPECIFIED GOVERNMENT
SERVICES AND FURTHER AMENDING THE CITY'S WRITTEN PLAN FOR
EXPENDITURE

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

WHEREAS, ARP, among other things, established a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, which provides for the disbursement of revenue from the United States Treasury to local governmental units to assist local governmental units in remedying the negative fiscal impacts stemming from the COVID 19 Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, established under 42 U.S.C. § 803, provides for distribution of revenue to “non-entitlement units of local government,” such as the City of New Castle, Indiana.; and

WHEREAS, revenue received from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund may only be utilized for the specified purposes set forth in 42 U.S.C. § 803 (c); and

WHEREAS, one of the permitted uses of funds received is “for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such....non-entitlement unit of local government....due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the.... non-entitlement unit of local government....prior to the emergency; or”; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Castle has previously elected, by Resolution 03072022-3, to utilize a standard allowance for revenue loss of up to Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the provision of government services, as defined in the Final Rule, is any service typically performed by a local government, and

WHEREAS, the City of New Castle wishes to allocate the sum One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for a feasibility study to determine the feasibility of utilizing the upper floors of the Murphey Building and former Ameriana Bank building for housing purposes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of New Castle, Indiana, as follows:

1. The Common Council hereby allocates the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for a housing feasibility study by Halstead Architects to assess the feasibility of utilizing the upper floors of the Murphey Building and former Ameriana Bank building for housing purposes.

2. The written fiscal plan for the expenditure of revenue received from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and each such expenditure is allocated to the replacement of lost revenue. The remaining sums received by the City of New Castle through the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund may be utilized for any of the purposes set forth in 42 U.S.C. § 803 (c). The written plan for expenditure will be amended, from time to time, as determined by the Common Council in advance of any other expenditures.

REPEALER: All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEVERABILITY: Any provision herein contained which is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unlawful or which by operation of law shall be inapplicable, shall be deemed omitted but the rest and remainder of this resolution, to the extent feasible, shall remain in full force and effect.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW CASTLE THIS ____
____ DAY OF _____, 2023.

Greg York, Presiding Officer,
Common Council, City
of New Castle, Indiana

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ATTEST:

Brenda Grider, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED BY ME THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2023.

Greg York, Mayor of the City
of New Castle, Indiana

Exhibit A

WRITTEN PLAN FOR EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE CORONAVIRUS LOCAL RECOVERY FUND

The City of New Castle shall expend revenue received from the Coronavirus Local Recovery Fund as follows:

1. To provide premium pay to eligible workers employed by the City as described in Ordinance 3877.
2. The sum of up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to acquire body worn cameras, software and related equipment for use by the Police Department.
3. The sum of up to Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for the demolition of vacant or abandoned structures.
4. The sum of up to Five Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$510,000.00) for the performance of improvements described below:
 - a. The sum of up to Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) for the construction and repair of the sidewalk adjacent to the Babe Ruth baseball diamond and Little League baseball diamond (South Main Street from "M" Avenue to "I" Avenue and "M" Avenue from Roosevelt Avenue to South Main Street); and
 - b. The sum of up to Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) for the completion of construction of a station for use by the City's Police Department.
 - c. The sum of up to Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) for the construction and repair of sidewalks on North 14th Street between Michigan Street and Garner Street.
5. The sum of up to Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the acquisition of two (2) AirQino Outdoor Air Quality Testing Sensors.
6. The sum of up to Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) for the creation of a mural by Pamela Bliss on the west exterior wall of the building located at 1306-1308 Broad Street and

the repair of ground that is damaged in the creation of the mural. The sum of Thirty- Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) shall be allocated to the cost of creation of the mural and the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) shall be allocated to the repair of ground that is damaged by the creation of the mural.

Prior to the commencement of work, the owner of the premises (1306-1308 Broad Street) where the mural will be located must execute and deliver a written covenant, in recordable form, agreeing that the mural may not be removed, altered or changed without the prior written consent of the City for a period of no less than ten (10) years after the mural is completed. The written covenant must be satisfactory to the City of New Castle, must bind the owner, its successors in interest, and the premises, and must have priority over all other interests in the real estate (excluding taxes and other governmental assessments).

7. The sum of up to One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000.00) for the creation of a fund to for the creation of a fund to support and administer a Workforce Retention and Recruitment Program, as described in Indiana Code § 36-1-29.5-1, *et.seq.*.

8. The sum of up to Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) for the repair or replacement of the sidewalk adjacent to North Main Street Park.

9. The sum of Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty- Four Dollars and Sixteen Cents (\$10,724.16) for the acquisition and installation of salt spreader (salt box) on a vehicle used by the Street Department for spreading salt.

10. The sum, in addition to the amount set forth in paragraph three (3) above, of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), for the demolition of vacant or substandard structures located within the City.

11. The sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) for the resurfacing and repair of the parking lot at the Municipal Building.

12. The sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$10,500.00) for the replacement of garage doors at the Municipal Building.

13. The sum of up to Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) for new audio-visual equipment in the City Council Chambers.

14. The sum of up to Twenty- Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) for the removal of trees and trimming of trees in City parks.

15. The sum of up to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for a wayfinding signage study.

16. The sum of up to One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) to perform tuck point work on the City owned building located at 108 South Main Street (Murphey Building-Senior Center Building).

17. The sum of up to One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000.00) to repair or replace the roofs on the City owned buildings located at 108 South Main Street, 112 South Main Street and 1309 Broad Street.

18. The sum of Four Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$485,000.00) for the improvement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and for the acquisition of equipment to be used in support of the operation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant, including the following, sand drying the bed polymer feed system, installing railing and a crane for the headworks system, renovating the skim bars on two (2) primary clarifiers, purchasing a used dumpster removal truck, with any remaining funds to be spend at the discretion of the Superintendent of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

19. The sum of Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$6,953.00) to be paid to the East Central Indiana Regional Partnership to contribute to the cost of participation in the partnership by the City of New Castle and Henry County, Indiana.

20. The sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) for the repair and improvement of local streets as a “local match” for a grant from the Indiana Department of Transportation’s Community Crossings Matching Grant Program.

21. The sum of up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the installation of lighting and other improvements on Trojan Lane.

22. The sum of up to Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for the completion of a new downtown revitalization plan for the purpose of applying for the PreservINg Main Street grant from the Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

23. The sum of up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for the Parks and Recreation Department to provide and install safety measures and features near the Little League Softball Diamonds at Osborne Park, as the Parks Department sees fit, such as guardrails, poles and cables, bullards, rocks, etc.

24. The sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) for the purchase and installation of a new “Welcome to New Castle” sign to be posted on State Road 38 near the eastern boundary of the City limits.

25. The sum of Eighty- Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) for the creation of a new Unified Development and Zoning Ordinance.

26. The additional sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), in addition to the amounts previously appropriated for a wayfinding study (\$10,000.00-#15 above), for a total of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for the preparation of a wayfinding study.

27. The sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00) for the repair and replacement of the roof on street department building located at 239 West State Road 38, New Castle, Indiana 47362.

28. The sum of up to Ninety Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$94,500.00) for the payment of supplemental compensation to each full time employee of the City, as described in a salary ordinance to be adopted by the Common Council.

29. The sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for a housing feasibility study by Halstead Architects to assess the feasibility of utilizing the upper floors of the Murphey Building and former Ameriana Bank building for housing purposes.