

TITLE

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING ANY ELIGIBLE FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY AUTHORIZED UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REIMBURSING THE CITY OF WARREN, OHIO FOR ANY REVENUE LOSSES IN ANY GIVEN YEAR FROM 2020 – 2024 AND FOR ANY ADDITIONAL EXPENSES INCURRED RELATED TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 13029/2021

WHEREAS, to respond to the COVID-19 public health crisis, The American Rescue Plan of 2021 (ARPA) is providing fast and direct economic assistance for American workers, families, small businesses, and industries. The APRA continues many of the programs started by the CARES Act (2020) and Consolidated Appropriations Act (2021) by adding new phases, new allocations, and new guidance to address issues related to the continuation of the COVID-19 Pandemic. As a result of this economic crisis, the U.S. Department of the Treasury is providing needed relief to state, local, and Tribal governments to enable them to continue to support the public health response and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable economic recovery; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warren, Ohio desires to accept the ARPA grants to assist in responding to and mitigating the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Warren, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the Director of Public Service and Safety be, and hereby is authorized to apply for and accept funding from the U.S. Department of the Treasury as authorized under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, including, but not limited to, reimbursing the City for any revenue losses in any given year from 2020 – 2024, reimbursing the City for additional expenses incurred related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and providing support for a recovery – including through assistance to households, small businesses and nonprofits, and aid to impacted industries as permitted by H.R. 1319 – 117th Congress and any applicable regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Section 2: That the City Auditor is authorized to deposit the funds received under Section 1 of this Ordinance for reimbursement of revenue losses in the appropriate accounts.

Section 3: That this Council affirms any ARPA funds received from the U.S. Department of Treasury may be expended only to cover costs of the City of Warren, Ohio consistent with the requirements of H.R. 1319 – 117th Congress, and any applicable regulations. That the Clerk of Council shall certify a copy of this ordinance to any agency, department, or division of the United States, State of Ohio, or Trumbull County as may be required to receive and expend such funds.

Section 4: That in the event that any section, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect, to the extent the remainder can be given effect without the invalid portion.

Section 5: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, welfare and safety, and for the further financial stabilization of City's finances relative thereto and may be secured at the earliest possible time and without undue delay. WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage.

Passed in Council this 23rd day of June, 2021.

SIGNED: [Signature] ATTEST: [Signature]
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL CLERK

FILED WITH THE MAYOR: 6-23-2021

DATE APPROVED: 6-23-2021
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MAYOR, CITY OF WARREN, OHIO