

Council of the City of York, PA  
Session 2021  
Resolution No. 93

Introduced by: Sandie Walker

Date: August 24, 2021

A RESOLUTION

Recommending the appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) monies to fund renovations to the Penn Street Market in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 and re-writing of Article 136 “Small & Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program” of the Codified Ordinances in the amount of \$100,000.00.

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2021, the United States Department of the Treasury announced the launch of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (the “Fiscal Recovery Funds”), established by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), to provide \$350 billion in emergency funding for eligible state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, some of this funding is needed to provide emergency and immediate relief from the health and economic impacts of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, given its scale, this funding could be used to help our most serious and significant challenges that might not otherwise have been possible; and

WHEREAS, the City of York needs to be deliberate and strategic if we are to take greatest advantage of this unique opportunity to help bring about innovative, transformational, and generational change and growth; and

WHEREAS, a well-planned spending framework could best be met by adopting a budget structure early on to help better manage ARPA monies and comply with reporting requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City of York intends to collect its share of ARPA funds to use in a manner consistent with the Department of Treasury’s guidelines; and

WHEREAS, City staff, together with the Mayor, City Council and the City Attorney are hereby authorized to take any actions necessary to receive the City’s share of ARPA funds for expenses incurred because of the Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, City staff, together with the Mayor, City Council and the City Attorney are hereby authorized to make recommendations to City Council for future expenditures that may be reimbursed with ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, City Council recommends and intends to obligate a portion of ARPA monies to fund renovations to the Penn Street Market and re-writing of Article 136 “Small & Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program” of the City of York Codified Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of York, PA, that Council hereby recommends the Administration appropriate monies for the following projects to a place-holder department to be determined by the Administration, with Council approval, and said monies shall be authorized for expenditure as follows:

**Penn Street Renovation Project: \$1,500,000.00**

**Article 136 Re-write: \$100,000.00**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Council recommends the Administration submit a budget amendment for these allocations for introduction at Council’s September 21, 2021 legislative meeting or at such other meeting as determined by Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Council recommends these funds not be obligated/expended until the budget ordinance is amended to make more specific appropriations for the intended projects; and

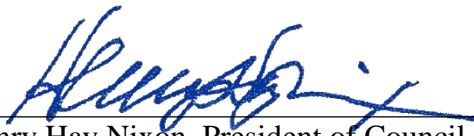
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Officer is hereby asked to maintain sufficient and detailed accounting records to satisfy the ARPA requirements and is hereby asked to report the financial status of these projects, as well as the appropriations and expenditures of all ARPA funding, to Council on the 15th day of each month.

PASSED FINALLY: August 24, 2021

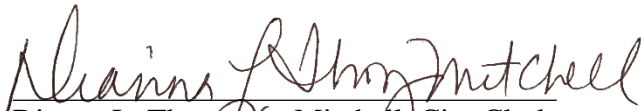
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

YEAS: Rivera Washington Ritter-Dickson Walker Nixon - 5

NAYS: None.

  
Henry Hay Nixon, President of Council

ATTEST:

  
Dianna L. Thompson-Mitchell, City Clerk