

Ordinance No. 1162-2021

By Mayor Jackson

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE
Authorizing the Directors of Economic Development, Community Development, and Building and Housing to process and administer certain ARPA-eligible assistance and programming and appropriating ARPA funding for such assistance and programming.

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland has been implementing a development strategy designed to address historic disparities and inequities to protect, preserve and position the neighborhoods of the City of Cleveland for future growth; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland has developed and implemented tools under the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative and the Middle Neighborhoods Initiative that have successfully protected, preserved and positioned the neighborhoods of the City of Cleveland for future growth; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland has received funds under the American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) and, in accordance ARPA, and the Interim Final Rule (31 CFR 35.1 et seq.) and its regularly updated Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recover Funds’ Frequently Asked Questions (collectively “Guidance”), the City of Cleveland has developed tools designed to achieve the ARPA’s directive to address disparities and inequities caused or exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic to residents and small business; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland has determined to deploy ARPA funding to enhance and expand upon successful tools and partnerships developed to address disparities and inequities; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department and constitutes an emergency measure providing for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety in the timely authorization to appropriate ARPA funds; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That the Director of Economic Development is authorized to administer and process ARPA-eligible assistance and programming for the following purposes and amounts which are hereby appropriated:

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Mixed-Use Real Estate Development Lending Pool	\$7,500,000
Small Business Sub-Credit Lending	\$5,000,000
Small Business Contractor Lending	\$1,000,000
Small Business Development Hubs	\$2,000,000

Section 2. That the Director of Community Development is authorized to administer and process ARPA-eligible assistance and programming for the following purposes and amounts which are hereby appropriated:

Infill Housing Development Lending Pool	\$1,500,000
Home Buyer Assistance Lending Pool	\$2,000,000
Home Rehab Assistance Lending Pool	\$2,000,000
Home Repair Lending Pool	\$2,000,000
Storefront Development Lending Pool	\$ 250,000
Multifamily Wealth Accelerator Loan Funds (Acquisition)	\$1,000,000
Multifamily Wealth Accelerator Loan Funds (Repair)	\$ 500,000
Storefront Grants	\$ 250,000
Small-scale Housing Development/Homebuyer	\$6,000,000
Small-scale Housing Site Development	\$1,000,000
Multifamily Wealth Accelerator (Down Payment)	\$1,500,000
Appraisal Interventions	\$ 500,000
Lead Safe Housing Fund	\$5,000,000
Emergency Rental Assistance	\$4,500,000
Emergency Food Assistance	\$ 500,000
Senior Home Repair	\$3,600,000
Interior Single Family	\$3,600,000
Small-Scale Housing Down Payment Assistance	\$3,125,000

Section 3. That the Director of Building and Housing is authorized to administer and process strategic property demolitions in accordance with Section 367.05 of the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio 1976, in total amount of \$15,000,000.

Section 4. That this Council determines that such expenditures are appropriate eligible uses of ARPA based on the following considerations: the enumerated goods, materials, and services are (i) in response to “the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality” (see U.S. Treasury, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds,

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FAQs as of July 19, 2021, Item 4.6) and (ii) are directed, as appropriate, to respond to the economic impacts of COVID-19 in lower-income neighborhoods by alleviating the immediate economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on housing insecurity and addressing conditions in concentrated areas with limited economic opportunity and inadequate or poor-quality housing.

Section 5. That any expenditures over \$50,000 for the programming and assistance described in Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this ordinance shall require additional legislation authority.

Section 6. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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12-6-2021
FOR: Mayor Jackson

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and referred to DIRECTORS of Economic Development, Community Development, Building and Housing, Finance, Law; COMMITTEES in Development Planning and Sustainability, Finance

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