

Legislation Text

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ARPA Funds - LMH Department of Economic Development Sandy Spang (x1614) Revised

Authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of \$150,000 from the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund for a Grocery Store Construction Incentive; authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Lucas Metropolitan Housing for said purpose; and declaring an emergency.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

The City of Toledo is the recipient of \$180.9 million through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to be used to address the public health and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Toledo Recovery Plan framework (authorized by Ordinance 530-21) includes \$1 million for healthy food initiatives. This ordinance allows for the appropriation and expenditure of \$150,000 in reimbursement for construction and construction related costs for a grocery store of at least 10,000 square feet in building size, to address the food access needs of City of Toledo residents impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

This ARPA funded program would be administered by subrecipient Lucas Metropolitan Housing. These subrecipient funds will be awarded to an entity constructing and operating a grocery store on a site in the Collingwood Green Development. The awardee must commit to a development agreement which requires providing healthy frozen and refrigerated foods and fresh produce as mandatory for continuing occupancy of the site.

NOW THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That the appropriation of \$150,000 is authorized from the unappropriated balance of the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to Account Code 2021-16400- 5HEALTHFD1NEI for a Grocery Store Construction Incentive and further authorizing the expenditure of same.

SECTION 2. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement with Lucas Metropolitan Housing for the purposes authorized in Section 1 upon terms and conditions consistent with American Rescue Plan Act regulations and otherwise applicable to the Director of Law.

SECTION 3. That the Finance Director is authorized to draw warrant or warrants against the above Account Code in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 in payment of the above-authorized obligations upon presentation of the proper voucher or vouchers.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance, being an emergency measure, shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that the Ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and property and for the further reason that this Ordinance must be immediately effective in order to timely provide funding to address the food access needs of

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City of Toledo residents impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas _____, nays _____.

Passed: _____, as an emergency measure: yeas ____, nays ____.

Attest: _____ Clerk of Council

President of Council

Approved: _____

Mayor

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance passed by Council

Attest:

Clerk of Council