

ORDINANCE 2021- 3

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

WHEREAS, it is necessary to set up a local ARP fund, a separate fund for the funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 in accordance with State Examiner Directive 2021-01;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT BRANCH, INDIANA: These funds must be disbursed through the normal claims process and with sufficient documentation. Fund Uses are specified in Section 603(C) as follows:

(1) A metropolitan city or non-entitlement unit of local government shall only use the funds provided under a payment made under this section to cover costs incurred by the metropolitan city or non-entitlement unit of local government by December 31, 2024.

(a) To respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Diseases 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small business and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality;

(b) To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the metropolitan city or non-entitlement unit of local government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;

(c) For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such metropolitan city or non-entitlement unit of local government due to the COVID -19 public health emergency relative to the revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the metropolitan city or non-entitlement unit of local government prior the emergency; or

(d) To make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure.

(e) Grants and programs to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts under Section 603(c)(1)(A) should be through written agreement.

One-half of the funds to be disbursed in May, 2021. Remainder to be disbursed May, 2022. All funds must be disbursed by December, 2024.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after this 21<sup>st</sup> day in April, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of Town of Fort Branch, Indiana,  
this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2021.

FORT BRANCH TOWN COUNCIL



ADAM BLEDSOE, PRESIDENT

RICK SIDES, MEMBER



SANDRA BIRCH, MEMBER

ATTEST:



STACY ELPERS, Clerk-Treasurer

