

**CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
July 19, 2022**

ATTENDEES: Council members Rose, Sundstrom, Arsanto, Burbank, Green, Smith, and Breeden. Also in attendance were Mayor Burkett, Interim City Administrator Schmidt, Finance Director Hines, Administrative Asst. Clark, Community Activities Coordinator Mickelson, Public Works Director Banks, and City Clerk Percival via Zoom.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ARPA Funding:

Interim City Administrator Schmidt updated the Council on the incoming applications for the position for City Administrator that Prothman has received. There seems to be some good candidates and interviews will start very soon.

City Council discussed the criteria for businesses to qualify for ARPA and what to have on the form to apply. The Council would also like to see the applications sent out in the newsletters with the utility bills for all residents to have access to. This will not be right away and can take some time to do. Council wanted to know when the ARPA funding needs to be allocated and Interim City Administrator Schmidt informed everyone that by Dec. 31, 2024, all the ARPA money needs to be allocated and by Dec. 31, 2026, it will all need to be spent.

Council would like to offer \$5,000 for small businesses per business and would like the first round to determine how many applicants seem interested. Council also decided to reallocate money for White River Community Outreach with Cindy Orcutt. This money can be taken from neighborhood matching grants to better assist the residents. Council would like to see this go for rental assistance plus food, gas, and motel vouchers for citizens affected from COVID-19. Right now, White River Community Outreach only has access to utility bills, but the Council would love to support this because citizens need more assistance than just with their utility bills. Cindy Orcutt the director of White River Community Outreach sent an email to Council members to let them know the importance of this help for citizens.

Lastly Council decided they would like to reallocate money from small business assistance for rehabilitation and façade improvements to assistance for non-profits for hardship grants.

With nothing further, the Study Session was adjourned at 7:24 PM.


City Administrator


Mayor

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