HAMPTON VA

Covid-Relief
American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

**City Council Presentation
September 22, 2021**

Overview

- Brief Recap of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021

- Review Project Rankings

- Address Unranked Projects

- Recap Additional ARPA Fund Sources

- Discussion and Questions

Introduction of the Act

- March 11, 2021 - President signed the ARPA of 2021
  - $1.9 trillion economic stimulus package aimed to help the country's economy return to pre-COVID strength.
- May 10, 2021 - U.S. Department of the Treasury
  - Announced the launch of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, established ARPA
    - $350 billion in emergency funding for eligible state, local, territorial, and tribal governments.
  - Issued an Interim Final Rule to implement the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund & Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

City's Allocation Amounts

Category	Amount
Metro City	$22,533,427
County	26,126,991
Total	$48,660,418

- Allocated over two years
  - $24,330,209 was received June 2021
  - $24,330,209 should be received June 2022
- Recommend set aside 20% in contingency funds initially ($9.73 million total)
  - Can release to do more priority projects based on progression of COVID pandemic
- Deadlines
  - Funds obligated by December 31, 2024
  - Project completion by December 31, 2026

ARAP Funding Categories

- Also allows for revenue recovery
  - Flexible money that could be used for a broad range of projects and initiatives
  - $25,564,155 - current estimate for 12 months ended December 31, 2020
    - Permitted to recalculate through December 31, 2023
- Expenses eligible under CARES Act are generally still allowable
- ARPA guidelines identify four primary funding categories:
  - Water and Sewer Infrastructure
  - Broadband Infrastructure
  - Public Health Needs
  - Behavioral Healthcare Needs

Next Steps After Today's Ranking

- Continue to monitor federal information for additional guidance

- Re-engage the Council to provide the additional information

- Re-review the ranking of projects by Council

- Initiate projects

Discussion and Questions