

INTRODUCED: May 24, 2021

Expedited Consideration

A RESOLUTION No. 2021-R

To express the Council’s intent, to the extent authorized by law, to prioritize the appropriation of any funds received by the City, whether from the United States government, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or otherwise, provided pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and the proposed American Jobs Plan of 2021.

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Patron – President Newbille

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Approved as to form and legality  
by the City Attorney  
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PUBLIC HEARING: AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, upon information and belief of the Council, the City anticipates receiving funds pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117<sup>th</sup> Cong., 1<sup>st</sup> Sess. (2021-2022) (the “Act”) and the American Jobs Plan of 2021, proposed by President Biden on March 31, 2021, if passed by Congress; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that it is in the best interests of the City of Richmond that any funds received pursuant to the Act or the proposed American Jobs Plan of 2021 be appropriated for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, to the extent authorized by law, in the order of priority set forth in this resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE,

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_ NOES: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_ REJECTED: \_\_\_\_\_ STRICKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND:

That, should the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117<sup>th</sup> Cong., 1<sup>st</sup> Sess. (2021-2022) (the “Act”), or the proposed American Jobs Plan of 2021, and any regulations or rules made pursuant thereto authorize the use of such funds for such purposes and should the Mayor recommend an amendment to the annual budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, to appropriate such funds for such purposes, the Council intends to appropriate funds received pursuant to the Act and the proposed American Jobs Plan of 2021 for the following purposes, in the following amounts, and in the following order of priority:

1. Affordable Housing Trust Fund.....\$7,100,000
2. Eviction Prevention Services .....\$500,000
3. Homeless Services .....\$1,000,000
4. Conform Zoning Ordinance with Richmond 300 Comprehensive Plan.....\$350,000
5. Photo Speed Ticketing Equipment - RPS Zones .....\$150,000
6. Southside Community Center .....\$15,000,000
7. Scott’s Addition Green Space.....\$250,000
8. James River Park Infrastructure.....\$900,000
9. Lakes at Byrd Park.....\$600,000
10. Grayland Tot Lot.....\$225,000
11. Reuger Playground.....\$110,000
12. Ann Hardy Plaza .....\$300,000
13. Hillside Court.....\$150,000
14. Hickory Hill Community Center .....\$800,000
15. Creighton Court .....\$4,708,000

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That, should funds become available pursuant to the Act and should such funds be authorized to be used for the purposes described in this resolution, the Council requests that the Mayor recommend as soon as is practicable an amendment to the annual budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, to appropriate the funds described in this resolution for the purposes described in this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the Council does not intend that funding for the priorities set forth in this resolution be limited by the amounts specified in such document if additional funding for such priorities are available or required.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That, in the event that the funds received by the City, whether from the United States government, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or otherwise, provided pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and the proposed American Jobs Plan of 2021 may not be used for one or more of the priorities set forth in this resolution, the Council hereby requests that the Chief Administrative Officer identify, as soon as practicable, an alternative source of funding other than those funds for the Mayor to recommend to be appropriated to such priorities so that the Council may make appropriations to address those priorities from such alternative source of funding.



# Richmond City Council

The Voice of the People

Richmond, Virginia

By Deasney Lowery at 10:58 am, May 12, 21

## Office of the Council Chief of Staff

### Ordinance/Resolution Request

**TO** Haskell C. Brown, III, Interim Richmond City Attorney  
Richmond Office of the City Attorney

**THROUGH** Joyce L. Davis  
Interim Council Chief of Staff

**FROM** William E. Echelberger, Jr, Council Budget Analyst

**COPY** Cynthia I. Newbille, 7<sup>th</sup> District Representative  
Tabrica C. Rentz, Interim Deputy City Attorney  
Samuel Patterson, 7<sup>th</sup> District Liaison on

**DATE** May 7, 2021

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**TITLE** Priority Uses of American Rescue Plan Act; American Jobs Plan Act; or Other Federal, or State Funds

This is a request for the drafting of an **Ordinance**  **Resolution**

#### REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

Cynthia I. Newbille, City Council  
President

#### SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

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#### ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

- The patron requests an ordinance to express the intent of City Council that priority shall be given to funding of the items set out in the following list from such funds as are received received by the City of Richmond pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act; American Jobs Plan Act; or other Federal, or State legislation.

Description	Amount
Affordable Housing Trust Fund	\$7,100,000
Eviction Prevention Services	\$ 500,000
Homeless Services	\$1,000,000
Conform Zoning Ordinance with Richmond 300 Comprehensive Plan	\$ 350,000
Photo Speed Ticketing Equipment - RPS Zones	\$ 150,000
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Creighton Court	\$4,708,000

- Nothing in the above list shall limit funding to the amount show if additional funding is required.
- In the event that funds received from the sources set out above may not be used for one or more of the listed items, it is the intent of City Council that the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designee, shall set forth a plan for funding.

### BACKGROUND

#### Summary:

- It is the sense of the patron that the best interests of the residents of the City of Richmond will be served by establishing the listed items as priorities for funding.

### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Fiscal Impact Yes  No

Budget Amendment Required Yes  No

Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact

There will be no revenue or expenditure impact since this ordinance only sets out priorities for the use of funds that yet to be received, and for which the governing guidelines have not yet been promulgated.

Attachment/s Yes  No