

BY AUTHORITY

ORDINANCE NO.
SERIES OF 2021

COUNCIL BILL NO. CB21-0706
COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:
Finance & Governance

A BILL

For an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 591, Series of 2021, to allocate an initial amount of spending in the American Rescue Plan Act Grant Fund.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 591, Series of 2021, established the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Fund, Fund No. 11011, and accepted the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund award agreement with the US Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 591 accepted the full \$308,048,870 identified in the award agreement, and included provisions requiring that City Council approve any spending in the fund through amendments to said Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance amends Ordinance No. 591, Series of 2021, by adding a section to authorize an initial amount of spending in the Fund, specific to the “Revenue Loss” category, identified as an allowable expense in the ARPA guidance; and

WHEREAS, this initial allocation is limited to 2021 Revenue Loss expenses and includes the cost of restoring furloughs for all City employees in 2021, the cost of restoring some services that were reduced in 2021 to balance the budget as a result of revenue loss from COVID-19, and the cost of addressing certain operational backlogs that arose as resources were reduced or diverted due to the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, after the 2022 budget is released, one or more future ordinances will be submitted to authorize spending in the ARPA Grant Fund for the 2022 portion of costs associated with these services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:

Section 1. Section 6 of Ordinance No. 591, Series of 2021, is hereby amended to be Section 7.

Section 2. Section 5 is amended to read as follows:

1 **“Section 5.** That it be and is hereby found and determined that the total budget summary of said
2 program is as follows:

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<u>Accounting Number</u>	<u>Appropriation Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11011	American Rescue Plan Act	\$308,048,870

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5 The foregoing budget summary reflects the total Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund grant
6 agreement. City Council shall authorize spending for ARPA-approved categories through
7 amendments to Ordinance No. 591, Series of 2021. Expenditures of said funds are authorized from
8 March 3, 2021 to December 31, 2026.”

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10 **Section 3.** A new Section 6 is hereby added to Ordinance No. 591, Series of 2021, to be read
11 as follows:

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13 “That it be and is hereby found and determined that the initial 2021 allocation for the Revenue
14 Loss spend category, as defined in ARPA guidance, is as follows:

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<u>Accounting Number</u>	<u>Appropriation Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11011	American Rescue Plan Act- Revenue Loss	\$46,208,643
11011	American Rescue Plan Act – Unallocated	\$261,840,227

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17 The foregoing Revenue Loss allocation supports the cost of furlough restoration for all City
18 employees, the cost of restoring some services that were reduced in 2021 to balance the budget
19 as a result of revenue loss from COVID-19, and the cost of addressing certain operational
20 backlogs that arose as resources were reduced or diverted due to the pandemic.”

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22 **Section 4.** The Chief Financial Officer of the City and County of Denver is hereby authorized
23 and directed to make such book and record entries and to do such other things as may be necessary
24 to accomplish the purposes of this Ordinance.

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1 COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE: June 22, 2021

2 MAYOR-COUNCIL DATE: June 29, 2021

3 PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: _____

4 _____ - PRESIDENT

5 APPROVED: _____ - MAYOR _____

6 ATTEST: _____ - CLERK AND RECORDER,
7 EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
8 CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER

9 NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY JOURNAL: _____; _____

10 PREPARED BY: Rachel Bardin, Budget and Management Office DATE: July 1, 2021

11 Pursuant to section 13-12, D.R.M.C., this proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the Office of
12 the City Attorney. We find no irregularity as to form, and have no legal objection to the proposed
13 ordinance. The proposed ordinance is not submitted to the City Council for approval pursuant to §
14 3.2.6 of the Charter.

15 Kristin M. Bronson, Denver City Attorney

16 BY: Jonathan Griffin, Assistant City Attorney DATE: Jul 8, 2021