

**BY AUTHORITY**

ORDINANCE NO.  
SERIES OF 2021

COUNCIL BILL NO. CB21-1145  
COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:  
Finance & Governance

**A BILL**

**For an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 591, Series of 2021, as amended by Ordinance No. 706, Series of 2021, to allocate spending in the American Rescue Plan Act Grant Fund to support premium pay for eligible City employees.**

**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**, Ordinance No. 706, Series of 2021, amended 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**, the American Rescue Plan Act allows for the use of funds to provide Premium Pay to employees whose required duties involved regular in-person interactions and/or regular physical handling of items that were also handled by others due to the possible COVID-19 exposure; and

**WHEREAS**, between March and December of 2020, before the widespread availability of vaccines, career service and uniformed City and County of Denver employees routinely risked exposure to COVID-19 to ensure the delivery of critical services to residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to authorize an allocation in the ARPA Grant Fund to provide a Premium Pay benefit for eligible employees;

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



1 COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE: October 5, 2021  
2 MAYOR-COUNCIL DATE: October 12, 2021  
3 PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_ October 25, 2021

4       *Steve Gilmore*       - 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: October 14, 2021

11 Pursuant to section 13-9, D.R.M.C., this proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the Office of the  
12 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:       Oct 14, 2021