

Board Report

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Adopt a Resolution to:

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<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION

On June 2, 2021, the Board approved ARPA funding allocation for Economic Recovery support. The remaining allocated amounts subject to these agreements is estimated at \$4.8 million of which \$1,800,000 is allocated for Monterey County Hospitality and Tourism Recovery. In total the County has allocated \$9.6 million in ARPA funds towards economic endeavors which are required to be utilized withing the next three years or be subject to return.

On February 23, 2022, the Budget Committee considered this item and recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the recommendation.

These services are designed to assist with the economic recovery of Small Businesses and Tourism/Hospitality Industry, with a focus on business in the hospitality/tourism industry that were negatively affected by COVID-19. The Monterey County Convention and Visitors Bureau has created flexible programing which can expand if other APRA allocated funds should become available.

The American Rescue Plan Act provides funding for programmatic efforts which complement existing economic priorities of the Board of Supervisors strategic initiatives.

The ARPA Economic Recovery Countywide Hospitality and Tourism Agreement, Exhibit A and B provide the detailed services, programs, and performance measures.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of County Counsel has approved the Agreements as to form. The budget committee has approved the recommendation.

FINANCING:

If this action is approved, funding in the amount of \$300,000 will be provided by using ARPA funds previously authorized by the Board of Supervisors for economic recovery.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The American Rescue Plan Act funding for Countywide Hospitality/Tourism recovery will provide services that support the Board approved strategic initiatives.

- \underline{X} Economic Development
- \underline{X} Administration
- ____ Health & Human Services
- ___ Infrastructure
- ____ Public Safety

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Attachments:

ARPA_Economic Recovery_Hospitality and Tourism_Board Report ARPA_Economic Recovery_Hospitality and Tourism_Standard Agreement ARPA_Economic Recovery_Hospitality and Tourism_Exhibit A ARPA Economic Recovery Hospitality and Tourism Exhibit B