

**Agenda Item #: C - 11**

**VILLAGE OF ROYAL PALM BEACH  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**AGENDA ITEM:** Approval and authorization for the Village Manager to execute the “American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Agreement” in order to implement the disbursement of funds to the Village as allocated under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to facilitate the ongoing recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

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**ISSUE:** The Village has received American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Agreement No. Y5280 (“Agreement”) from the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management. This Agreement is required to implement the disbursement of funds to the Village as allocated under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) to facilitate the ongoing recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic (“Fiscal Recovery Funds”).

ARPA requires that Fiscal Recovery Funds may only be used to cover expenses incurred by the Village by December 31, 2024, including but not limited to:

- to respond to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
- to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the non-entitlement unit of local government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
- for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such nonentitlement unit of local government due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the non-entitlement unit of local government; or
- to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

The total amount of Fiscal Recovery Funds to be allocated to the Village under this Agreement is \$20,232,484.00. Section 17 of the Agreement requires the Village to certify that its governing body has authorized the execution of this Agreement and that the signatory is authorized to legally execute and bind the Village to the terms of the Agreement.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends that the Village Council authorize the Village Manager to execute the Agreement.

Initiator	Village Manager Approval	Agenda Date	Village Council Action
Stanley G. Hochman Finance Director		October 21, 2021	