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Mayor Lioneld Jordan	12/29/2021	MAYORS ADMIN (015)		
Submitted By	Submitted Date	Division / Department		
Action Recommendation:				
Reinstatement of a public incentive to establishment of a COVID Sick Leave ba		9, as defined by Resolution 209-21 and COVID-19 to cover 5-day quarantine period.		
	Budget Impact:			
2246.800.9710-5342.0 Promotional Activities	224	6 - American Rescue Plan Act		

20023.2021 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN GRANT FUNDING 2021

Fund

Account Number

Project Number Project Title \$ **Budgeted Item? Current Budget** 400,000.00 Yes **Funds Obligated** \$ 163,100.00 \$ Current Balance 236,900.00 **Item Cost** \$ Does item have a cost? No **Budget Adjustment Attached? Budget Adjustment** No **Remaining Budget** 236,900.00

Purchase Order Number:	Previous Ordinance or Resolution #	V20210527
Change Order Number:	Approval Date:	
Original Contract Number:		

Comments:



CITY COUNCIL MEMO

MEETING OF JANUARY 18, 2022

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Lioneld Jordan, Mayor

DATE: 12/28/2021

SUBJECT: Reinstatement of a public incentive to become vaccinated for COVID-19, as defined by Resolution 209-21 and establishment of a COVID Sick Leave bank for City Staff for diagnosis of COVID-19 to cover 5-day quarantine period.

RECOMMENDATION:

Mayor Jordan recommends renewal of a public incentive (Resolution 209-21) in the amount of \$100 for individuals who become vaccinated for COVID-19. Funds would come from the \$236,900 that remains from the original incentive (Resolution 209-21). The eligibility period for becoming vaccinated would begin January 18, 2022 and end on March 18, 2022 and would not include booster vaccinations.

Mayor Jordan also requests a COVID Sick Leave bank be established, if necessary, to assist employees who have been diagnosed with COVID-19. The bank would be set up to cover a period of five days quarantine. The cost to establish the bank could be as high as \$200,000 dollars in total for all funds.

BACKGROUND:

The CDC lists COVID-19 vaccination as an effective method to reduce the risk of getting and spreading the coronavirus as well as preventing serious illness in those that contract the virus. Federal COVID-19 relief funds in the amount of \$400,000 were set aside to provide an incentive under Resolution 209-21. Of those funds, \$236,900 remain from the original \$400,000.

In 2020, employees who were required to quarantine due to COVID-19 diagnosis or exposure could use up to 80 hours of leave under Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) instead of using their sick-leave banks. FFCRA leave banks expired December 31, 2020 and employees have been using available personal leave banks to cover time missed from work due to COVID-19 exposure or diagnosis during 2021. With this proposal, a sick leave bank would be established that would allow an employee to draw up to 40 hours (prorated for PT staff) from a COVID Sick Leave bank for a positive diagnosis of COVID-19 effective January 18, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

\$236,900 in remaining funds from the original incentive (Resolution 209-21) will be available to cover the renewal of the public incentive. The cost to establish the bank could be as high as \$200,000 in total for all funds and will be handled from current reserve funds.