

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 3.1
(ID # 18275)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, February 01, 2022

FROM : BOS DISTRICT 1:

SUBJECT: BOS DISTRICT 1: Approve the First District American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - Infrastructure project fund allocation to the proposed Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District (EVMWD) administered projects and direct the Executive Office to initiate necessary agreements with the EVMWD, District 1. [\$8,400,000 Total Cost – 100% American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the First District ARPA infrastructure project list outlined below;
2. Direct the Executive Office to initiate work on the ARPA infrastructure project agreements with EVMWD;
3. Authorize the Executive Office to coordinate with EVMWD related to ARPA infrastructure eligibility submittals; and
4. Direct the Executive Office to include the necessary budget adjustment to fund the First District ARPA infrastructure projects.

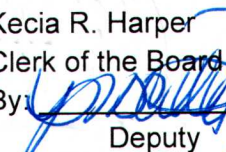
ACTION:Policy


Supervisor Kevin Jeffries, Supervisor 1st. District 1/25/2022

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Spiegel seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, and Hewitt
Nays: None
Absent: Perez
Date: February 1, 2022
xc: BOS- District 1, E.O.

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 8,400,000	\$ 0	\$ 8,400,000	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: American Rescue Plan Act			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	21/22-26/27

BACKGROUND:

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed into law a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill also known as the COVID-19 Stimulus Package or the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The intent of the bill is to accelerate the United States recovery from the economic and health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. ARPA includes \$350 billion in Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA Fiscal Recovery Funds) for eligible state, local, territorial, and tribal governments. These ARPA Fiscal Recovery Funds can be utilized for four categories of eligible uses:

- a) To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality.
- b) To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers;
- c) For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency; and
- d) To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

On April 27, 2021 the Executive Office presented to the Board of Supervisors preliminary ARPA allocations to the following categories: Infrastructure, Housing & Homelessness, Economic Recovery, County Departments Response, Non-Profit Assistance and Revenue Backfill.

On October 19, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved the allocation of \$65,000,000 in County ARPA funds to the Infrastructure category to support economic recovery within Riverside County.

The following projects have been recommended for ARPA infrastructure funding by the First District and were determined to be in compliance with ARPA funding objectives and US Treasury eligibility criteria by the Executive Office Unincorporated Communities Initiative team. EVMWD will administer, construct and maintain the following infrastructure projects; which will be completed on or before December of 2026, utilizing a combination of EVMWD and proposed ARPA Infrastructure funding:

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- 1. Highway 74 / Ethanac Sewer Extension Project** (\$8.0 million ARPA Infrastructure Funds) - This \$10 million project will construct 12,500 feet of sewer, extending EVMWD sewer service from Rosetta Hills to Ethanac Road in Good Hope.

- 2. Grand Avenue Lakeland Village Community Center Sewer Project** (\$400,000 ARPA Infrastructure Funds) - This \$500,000 project will extend sewer service to the Lakeland Village Community Center and nearby properties.

IMPACTS TO RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS:

The proposed infrastructure projects support necessary sewer service to disadvantaged unincorporated communities that are currently on septic systems. The extension of sewer service to these areas will improve the quality of life for of these communities, promote adequate minimal level of sewer service, promote economic recovery, and promote reductions in the likelihood of environmental impacts from failed or leaking septic systems.