

**ORDINANCE**

**APPROVING THE CITY’S ONGOING COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN AND RECOVERY AND RESILIENCY PLAN (COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS THE “PLANS”), INCLUDING STEPS TO ADDRESS SECOND-ORDER EFFECTS IMPACTING THE SAN ANTONIO COMMUNITY, AND SUPPLEMENTAL INITIATIVES TO FURTHER THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PLANS. THE ORDINANCE ALSO AUTHORIZES THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS, APPROPRIATE FUNDS, REVISE BUDGETS, AND APPROVE EXPENDITURES TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAMS AND PRIORITIES WITHIN THE PLANS AND ANY SUPPLEMENTAL INITIATIVES.**

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**WHEREAS**, the spread of the novel coronavirus now referred to as COVID-19 has been declared as a worldwide pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020 the Governor of Texas issued a State of Disaster for all Texas counties and the President of the United States declared a State of National Emergency for the United States of America due to the COVID-19 virus; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 2, 2020 the Mayor of the City of San Antonio (“City”) issued a Declaration of Public Health Emergency Order in relation to COVID-19, which has subsequently been amended; and

**WHEREAS**, this public health crisis has affected and created economic hardships for all residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the federal Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, which was signed into law on March 27, 2020, to protect the American people from the public health and economic impacts of COVID-19 by providing economic assistance to workers, families, and small businesses, and to help preserve jobs for American industries; and

**WHEREAS**, local governments across the country, including the City of San Antonio, have received relief funding under the CARES Act to include funding from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to assist their residents and businesses affected by the COVID-19 public health crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Treasury has issued guidelines on the allowable uses of Coronavirus Relief Funds to include that the Funds must be spent on allowable uses by December 30, 2020 or returned to the U.S. Treasury; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 28, 2020, a proposed continued COVID-19 response plan was presented to City Council which included the Community Recovery and Resiliency Plan to assist residents and business negatively affected by the pandemic and costs for the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic under the City’s Emergency Response Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary for the City to implement use of federal aid made available under the CARES Act, as well as local and state funding to provide the most effective relief to residents and businesses who are experiencing economic hardship because of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to provide input through the appropriate City Council Committees to the implementation of the Community Recovery and Resiliency Plan and to provide the City Manager the authority and flexibility to efficiently and effectively implement the Community Recovery and Resiliency Plan and Emergency Response Plan.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Council hereby approves the City’s ongoing COVID-19 pandemic Emergency Response Plan and Community Recovery and Resiliency Plan (the “Plans”), including steps to address second-order effects impacting the San Antonio community and supplemental initiatives to further the objectives of the Plans as detailed in the Agenda Memorandum and supplemental memorandum.

**SECTION 2.** The Community Recovery and Resiliency Plan is founded on five guiding principles:

- ***Public Health and Safety*** - to ensure continued COVID-19 related public health and safety while building resilience and fostering economic stability for households, nonprofits and business;
- ***Equity*** in policy decisions and distribution of resources,
- ***Braided Funding*** to appropriately integrate local, state, and federal resources to achieve maximum impact,
- ***Community Resilience*** to ensure households and businesses, including non-profits, affected by COVID-19 have the resources and tools to become financially resilient and better prepared to withstand future disasters and socio-economic challenges.
- ***Well-Being*** to strengthen generational family well-being built upon a solid foundation of thriving non-profit organizations

**SECTION 3.** The Community Recovery and Resiliency Plan is comprised of four pillars:

- Workforce Development,
- Housing Security,
- Small Business Support, and
- Digital Inclusion

**SECTION 4.** The City’s ongoing Emergency Response Plan includes funding for eligible payroll expenses, the health implementation plan (watch expand assure plan) and necessary personal protective equipment and supplies and other equipment and supplies.

**SECTION 5.** The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute the Plans including implementation of the programs, priorities, and any supplemental initiatives under the Plans. The City Manager may spend funds and modify the Plans consistent with their guiding principles.

**SECTION 6.** The City Council hereby directs the City Manager to work closely with the appropriate City Council subcommittees in gathering Councilmember input on establishing frameworks under the Community Recovery and Resiliency Plan for addressing the immediate needs of residents and businesses resulting from COVID-19 and helping guide the framework for distribution of resources to assist the residents and businesses of San Antonio.

**SECTION 7.** The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager, in conjunction with the City Attorney's Office, to negotiate and execute any and all necessary agreements, applications, assurances, certifications, contracts and other documents and instruments to provide public assistance from funds available under the Plans, as may be amended, on eligible expenses.

**SECTION 8.** Funds in the amount up to \$190,900,000.00 are authorized to be appropriated into and create any necessary grant funds for Workforce Development, Housing Security, Small Business and Digital Inclusion for the City's Community Recovery and Resiliency Plan.

**SECTION 9.** Funds in the amount up to \$190,796,808 are authorized to be appropriated into and any necessary grant funds to be created for eligible payroll expenses, the health implementation plan (Watch, Expand, Assure), and supplies and equipment for the City's Emergency Response Plan.

**SECTION 10.** The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific Cost Centers, WBS Elements, Internal Orders, General Ledger Accounts, and Fund Numbers as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 11.** This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by eight (8) affirmative votes or the 10<sup>th</sup> day after its passage by less than eight (8) affirmative votes.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.**

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**Ron Nirenberg**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Tina Flores, Acting City Clerk

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Andrew Segovia, City Attorney