# FORSYTH COUNTY BRIEFING DRAFT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: JANUARY21, 2021 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:

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SUBJECT: A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

> B. AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2020-2021 BUDGET ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

(COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

ATTACHMENTS:	x Yes	No		
SIGNATURE:		COUNTYMANAGER	 DATE:	 

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY (COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

WHEREAS Forsyth County is anticipating a high number of evictions related to loss of jobs due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS the County Manager submitted documents necessary to be eligible for Emergency Rental Assistance to the United States Department of the Treasury;

WHEREAS Emergency Rental Assistance funds must be targeted to eligible renter households as defined in the act and can only be used to pay for qualifying housing and utility expenses;

WHEREAS an eligible household is defined as a renter household in which at least one or more individuals meets the following criteria: (i) qualifies for unemployment or has experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or financial hardship due to COVID-19, (ii)demonstrates a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability, and (iii)has a household income at or below 80% of the area median; and

WHEREAS the United States Department of the Treasury appropriated \$4,380,890.87 to Forsyth County to be used to provide relief to eligible households to pay for rent, rental arrears, utilities and home energy costs, utilities and home energy costs arrears, and other expenses related to housing incurred due, directly or indirectly to the COVID-19 outbreak, as defined by the Secretary of Treasury;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners that the Chairman or County Manager and the Clerk to the Board are hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of Forsyth County, necessary documents to accept Emergency Rental Assistance funds from the United States Department of the Treasury, subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the County Chief Financial Officer, where applicable, and approval as to the form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this 21st day of January, 2021.

#### FORSYTH COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA **AMENDMENT TO** 2020-2021 BUDGET ORDINANCE

#### FROM: BUDGET & MANAGEMENT

MEETING DATE:

January 21, 2021

#### **EXPLANATION:**

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 has established the Emergency Rental Assistance Program which will provide Forsyth County with \$4,380,890.87 to be used to provide financial assistance and housing stability services to eligible households. These funds may be used for payment of rent, rental arrears, utilities and home energy costs, utilities and home energy costs arrears, and other expenses related to housing incurred directly or indirectly to COVID-19.

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021BUDGET ORDINANCE IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

INCREASE:	SECTION 1. REVENUES A FUND BALANCES. GENERAL FUND INTERGOVERNMENTAL	AND APPROPRIATED	<u>\$4,380,890.87</u>		
INCREASE:	<u>SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS.</u> GENERAL FUND				
	COMMUNITY AND ECONC	MIC DEVELOPMENT	<u>\$4,380,890.87</u>		
NATURE OF TRANSACTION: [X] Additional Revenue Available		APPROVED BY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND ENTERED ON			

Transfer within Accounts of [] Same fund

[] Other:

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