

Welcome to tonight's City Council meeting!

The elected officials of the City of Bonners Ferry are appreciative of an involved constituency. Testimony from the public is encouraged concerning issues when addressed under the Public Hearing portion of the agenda. Any individual who wishes may address the council on any issue, whether on the agenda or not, during the Public Comments period. Normal business will preclude public participation during the business portion of the meeting with the discretion left to the Mayor and Council. Special accommodations to see, hear, or participate in the public meeting should be made at City Hall within two days of the public meeting.

Vision Statement

Bonners Ferry, "The Friendliest City", strives to achieve balanced growth, builds on community strengths, respects natural resources, promotes excellence in Government, and values quality of life. We are a city that welcomes all people.

AGENDA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Bonners Ferry City Hall
7232 Main Street
267-3105
April 19, 2022
4:00 pm

Join video Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/176727634>

Meeting ID: 176727634

Join by phone: 253-215-8782

1. **City** – Consider adopting Resolution 2022-001 designating the use of American Rescue Plan Act Funds (attachment) {action item}
2. **City** – Budget workshop for fiscal year 2023 {action item}

ADJOURNMENT

BONNERS FERRY

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-001

A RESOLUTION TO STATE THE INTENDED USES AND ALLOTMENT OF LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO STATE HOW THOSE FUNDS ARE ACCOUNTABLE TO THE BONNERS FERRY CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the United States Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), which provides fiscal relief funds to State and Local Governments, and other program areas aimed at mitigating the continuing effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, ARPA is intended to provide support to local governments in responding to the impact of COVID-19 and in their efforts to contain COVID-19 in their communities, residents, and businesses; and,

WHEREAS, ARPA includes State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to

- Support COVID response efforts to decrease the spread of the virus;
- To replace lost public sector revenue to strengthen support for vital public services;
- To support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses; and
- To address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to unequal impacts of the pandemic on certain populations; and,

WHEREAS, the city is the recipient of an estimated \$567,208.00, delivered in two tranches by the State of Idaho, through the US Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, according to the state of Idaho's adopted law states that Local governments receiving direct ARPA dollars should use the funds for infrastructure investments and allowable offsets that can reduce the property tax burden that Idahoans will face into the future.

WHEREAS, the City Council understand the importance of these funds and are focused on the following:

1. Creating long-term investments with limited long-term liability and which the council has indicated the goals of these funds is not meant to be used to grow government, and,
2. The use of these dollars should seek to reduce the overall impact to the taxpayer and citizens in the City of Bonners Ferry and,
3. The use of the funds should look to reduce the overall impact on the general fund where possible

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BONNERS FERRY, IDAHO THE FOLLOWING:

Section 1: As set forth more fully below, the Council expresses its intent to expend these funds for eligible, immediate needs within the categories below:

- A. Expenditure of Lost Revenue on Governmental Services
- B. Public Health Measures to Respond to COVID-19
- C. Water and Sewer Infrastructure
- D. Address Negative Economic Impacts of COVID-19

Section 2: Allocation of Funding

Expenditure of Lost Revenue on Governmental Services.

According to the Final Rule over the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF), the City has the ability take a standard allowance to spend on governmental services through the period of performance. In accordance with this section, the city allocates the American rescue plan act dollars as shown with the attached appendix A of this resolution.

Justification

Council recognizes that the loss of revenue experienced not only within the years since COVID but additionally into future years, does have an impact on the overall ability to purchase replacement equipment in areas of general government operations.

With the replacement of the existing equipment, the city has not grown our fleet of managed parts, nor have we grown our overall maintenance needs. However, we are replacing equipment with new(er) equipment will last between 20 and 30 years before needing to be replaced. This equipment life meets the intent of creating long-term investment with limited long-term liability. By replacing the existing machinery, the city taxpayers will receive the benefit without having to incur the cost using additional tax dollars, bonds or lack of services.

Under the Final Rule, adopted by the US Department of Treasury on January 6, 2022, the city may use up to a maximum ten million dollars, not to exceed the awarded amount, as a standard allowance towards governmental services.

Appendix A, as attached represents governmental services performed by the City of Bonners Ferry prior to the COVID outbreak nationwide.

Section 3:

Appendix A of this Resolution includes the necessary specific equipment for purchase by each general fund department. The certain line items the city may have already purchased this equipment in the past calendar year, and this resolution looks to ratify such expenditure for approval to use ARPA funds, by the city council.

This Resolution is hereby **ADOPTED** and made **EFFECTIVE** by the City of Bonners Ferry this _____ day of _____, 2022.

CITY OF BONNERS FERRY, IDAHO

BY: _____
Mayor

Attest:

Clerk, City of Bonners Ferry

Appendix A
Spread sheet of approved expenditures

Department	Purpose	2022	2023
Streets	New Loader		\$ 100,000.00
Police	Tasers	\$ 16,500.00	
Streets	Used Snowblower	\$ 106,000.00	
Police	Vehicle	\$ 51,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Streets	Sweeper box		\$ 30,000.00
Police	Repeaters		\$ 30,000.00
Fire Department	Chief vehicle		\$ 50,000.00
Fire Department	Used Fire truck	\$ 130,000.00	
Planning	Comp plan		\$ 20,000.00
Police	Rifles		\$ 13,500.00
Golf	Course improvements		\$ 5,208.00
Yearly Total		\$ 303,500.00	\$ 263,708.00



MEMO

CITY OF BONNERS FERRY
OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Lisa Ailport, City Administrator *LMA*
DATE: April 13, 2022
RE: ARPA Funding Allocation Request

Since the January 5, 2022, council workshop to discuss the ARPA funding requirements, staff has been working on a plan to address the future allocations of these funds towards projects that align with Council's direction.

Council directed staff to prioritize projects for ARPA funding based on the following three prong test:

1. Funding created long-term investments with limited long-term liability and would not grow government, and
2. The use of the dollars should seek to reduce the overall impact to the taxpayer and citizens in the City of Bonners Ferry, and
3. The use of the funds should look to reduce the overall impact on the general fund, where possible.

A committee of staff members, comprising of the City Administrator, City Police Chief, City Fire Chief, City Streets Superintendent and City Mechanic met bi-monthly to identify, prioritize and then allocate ARPA dollars in alignment with the final rule, which came out on January 6, 2022. In addition to the ARPA dollars, the committee also looks to make recommendation for future funding towards capital in the general fund area. The goal of the group was to invest the ARPA dollars in the most prudent and fiscally responsible way, and we feel as a group we have met this goal.

Below is a table of recommended funding priorities for the use of ARPA

Recommendation of funding allocation for ARPA dollars

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Streets	New Loader		\$ 100,000.00
Police	Tasers	\$ 16,500.00	
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: The above figures are all paid for using the cities ARPA funding, in alignment with the Final Rule. With these recommendations, there are no other financial commitments that council is agreeing to currently. However, future expenditures do anticipate some future lease options that will impact the General fund. Staff is working closely with the Clerk and the committee we hope to bring forward a fiscally responsible plan to address how the city can afford to purchase equipment through the lease finance option.

Our committee looks forward to presenting to Council and the public the recommendations of the use of ARPA dollars as well as the planning and budgeting considerations. However, if prior to the meeting there are any questions, please feel free to contact me.

4/19/2022 Council Workshop

Fire Department	Reasoning	Replacement	10 year Investment
Ladder truck 80's model	Can't buy parts for it, ladder truck needs replacing	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
Chief Vehicle	Can't buy parts for it	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Engine 2 - Rescue Unit	Late 80's ford, Ambulance, type - expire every 10 years	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Turnouts		\$ 50,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
		\$ 430,000.00	\$ 43,000.00

Police Department	Reasoning	Replacement	10 year investment
Vehicles	estimates 15k for used rigs	\$ 105,000.00	
Tasers	Tasers	\$ 16,500.00	
Guns	Guns	\$ 13,500.00	
Vests	Vests	\$ 8,400.00	
		\$ 143,400.00	\$ 14,340.00

Streets Department	Reasoning	Replacement	20-year
Water Tender /truck -	Co-owned by the Fire Department	\$ 150,000.00	5 years remaining
Sweeper box		\$ 30,000.00	
Loader		\$ 200,000.00	
Loader		\$ 200,000.00	
Roller		\$ 80,000.00	
Sanders		\$ 80,000.00	
Dump Truck		\$ 180,000.00	
Dump Truck		\$ 180,000.00	
Snowblower		\$ 105,000.00	
	net	\$ 870,000.00	\$ 43,500.00
		10 Year	\$ 87,000.00

Structures	Reasoning	Replacement	10 year investment
10 bay vehicle storage unit	3 sided bld, graveled with power	\$ 150,000.00	
Steel cover for mechanics lift		\$ 100,000.00	
		\$ 250,000.00	\$ 12,500.00

Total Sum	\$ 1,693,400.00	\$ 102,619.20	10 Year
Total ARPA	\$ 567,208.00	\$ 51,309.60	20 year
Lease option	\$ 100,000.00		
Remaining need	\$ 1,026,192.00		

