

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FORT WAYNE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND (SLFRF) TOURISM GRANT OPPORTUNITY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE.

Whereas, the U.S. Congress enacted the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA") on March 11, 2021; and,

Whereas, ARPA provides emergency funding to state and local governments to support their recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic; and,

Whereas, the City of Fort Wayne has been allocated \$50,815,327.00 from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (under "ARPA") which must be obligated by the end of 2024 and expended by the end of 2026; and,

Whereas, the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana adopted Special Ordinance S-58-21 on May 11, 2021 which established the purpose, permitted uses and minimum percentages per category of the ARPA fund; and,

Whereas, the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana adopted Resolution R-22-03-22 on April 12, 2022 approving the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana Recovery Plan, State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds; and,

Whereas, City leaders have been deliberate and thoughtful on this process in order to adhere to federal rules and eligibility criteria while providing both an opportunity for community input and an opportunity to meet the most urgent and significant needs in Fort Wayne using areas of focus; and,

Whereas, the City of Fort Wayne desires to support organizations working to serve the community in the tourism, public health, small business, and non-profit sectors by implementing four separate subgrant programs utilizing ARPA funds subject to local, state, and federal regulations; and,

Whereas, the City of Fort Wayne is working diligently, using federal and state guidance and industry best practices, to ensure applicable programmatic, financial, and administrative eligibility and compliance for subgrant recipients; and,

Whereas, the City of Fort Wayne is also working to ensure the subgrants are targeted

1 towards industries, organizations, and community members most seriously impacted or
2 disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic; and,

3 **Whereas**, the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana adopted Resolution R-
4 22-06-09 on June 28, 2022 approving the four subgrant programs, including Tourism Support
5 with the goal of re-energizing our city and local economy after the negative economic impacts of
6 the COVID-19 pandemic, and;

7 **Whereas**, after extensive reviews, the City of Fort Wayne desires the Common Council
8 to approve the grant awards in the subgrant program of Tourism not to exceed the amounts in
9 the attached summary after each awarded applicant has successfully undergone a federally-
required risk analysis and any other applicable legal requirements,

10 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY**
11 **OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA:**

12 **SECTION 1.** The Common Council approves the attached grant awards in the
13 Tourism subgrant program not to exceed their respective funding amounts from the ARPA funds.

14 **SECTION 2.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage
15 and any and all necessary approval by the Mayor.

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18 Council Member

19 APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

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22 Malak Heiny, City Attorney
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City of Fort Wayne ARPA-SLFRF Tourism Subgrant Award Summary

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
		<i>(not to exceed)</i>	
T-002	Johnny Appleseed Festival Inc.	\$48,153.00	Support for annual festival
T-003	Fort Wayne Civic Theatre, Inc.	\$53,075.00	Support for theater operations
T-004	Visit Fort Wayne	\$53,075.00	Support for tourism master plan
T-005	Science Central	\$100,000.00	Support for museum operations
T-006	Fort Wayne History Center	\$46,800.00	Support for programming
T-007	Historic Fort Wayne, LLC	\$53,075.00	Support for restoration work
T-008	The Fort Wayne Philharmonic, Inc.	\$53,075.00	Support for programming
T-009	Headwaters Park Alliance, Inc.	\$40,000.00	Support for restoration work
T-011	Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Inc.	\$53,075.00	Support for museum operations
T-012	Arts United	\$100,000.00	Support for operations and programs
T-014	The Embassy Theatre Foundation	\$100,000.00	Support for theatre operations
T-015	Fort Wayne Dance Collective	\$42,500.00	Support for programming
T-016	Friends of the Lincoln Collection of Indiana	\$53,075.00	Support for programming
T-017	Artlink	\$53,075.00	Support for operations
T-018	Heartland Sings	\$53,075.00	Support for programming
T-019	Fort Wayne Zoological Society	\$97,942.13	Support for operations