

Tyler County Commissioner's Court

May 17, 2021



RESOLUTION FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

WHEREAS, The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, also called the COVID-19 Stimulus Package or American Rescue Plan, is a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill passed by the 117th United States Congress and signed into law by President Joe Biden on March 11, 2021, to speed up the United States' recovery from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the ongoing recession: and,

WHEREAS, Tyler County has been allocated funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 which may be utilized to: (1) Address Negative Economic Impacts, (2) Make necessary investments to improve access to infrastructure, (3) Use fund to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic, (4) Offer additional support to essential workers performing essential work during the pandemic, (5) Make necessary investments to provide unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access, (6) Support public health expenditures to respond to the coronavirus pandemic and mitigate the effect of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Tyler County wishes to take advantage of the availability of such funds in a manner consistent with services currently provided by the County and within current staffing that may properly plan, implement and exercise control over the disbursement of such funds; and

WHEREAS, Tyler County intends to engage a Grant Administrator and Engineering Firm to help navigate the many aspects of the Act, write the grant application and upon acceptance of grant award provide all Grant Administrative and Engineering Services throughout the lifetime of the grant; and

WHEREAS, Tyler County designates the County Judge or the County Judge Pro-tem as the certifying signatory of the American Rescue Grant related documents. Projects within the grant or change orders must be approved by the Tyler County Commissioner's Court; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will be utilized as a portion of the application process and must be therefore reviewed and approved by the Tyler County Commissioner's Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the Commissioner's Court of Tyler County as follows:

The County Auditor is hereby authorized to issue a request for proposals (RFP) for administrative services and request for qualifications (RFQs) for professional engineering services for the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Tyler County Commissioner's Court agrees claims against the fund shall be audited and approved in the same manner as other claims against the county before they are paid.

Tyler County Commissioner's Court agrees that in the event of loss, misuse, or noncompliance regarding any part of the American Rescue Plan Act funding, Tyler County Commissioner's Court assures that the funds will be returned to the appropriate agency in full.

UPON A MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, the above Resolution was passed on this the 17th day of May, 2021 by the Tyler County Commissioner's Court.

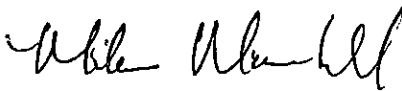
Jacques L. Blanchette, County Judge



Joe Blacksher, Commissioner, Pct. I



Stevan Sturrock, Commissioner, Pct. II



Mike Marshall, Commissioner, Pct. III/
Judge Pro-tem

Charles "Buck" Hudson, Commissioner, Pct. IV

ATTEST: 

Donece Gregory, County Clerk