

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH ASSEMBLY TO ALLOCATE AN ADDITIONAL \$4,997,399 IN CARES ACT MONEY FOR CAPITAL AND OPERATING EXPENDITURES AND AMEND THE SCOPE OF WORK.

AGENDA OF: December 15, 2020

Assembly Action:

adopted as amended. KBJ 12.15.20

MANAGER RECOMMENDATION: Present to the Assembly for consideration.

APPROVED BY MICHAEL BROWN, BOROUGH MANAGER:

Route To:	Department/Individual	Initials	Remarks
	Originator	<i>Cx</i>	
	Finance Director	<i>Cx</i>	
	Borough Attorney	<i>NS</i>	
	Borough Clerk	<i>JMM 12/7/20</i>	<i>KBJ</i>

ATTACHMENT(S): Fiscal Note: YES X NO _____
 Resolution Serial No. 20-122 (2 pp)
 Attachment: CARES Act Funding Request List & Justifications (*4pgs*)

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

BACKGROUND

On June 2, 2020, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly approved Resolution Serial No. 20-060 and Informational Memorandum No. 20-119 to authorize a grant agreement with the State of Alaska for the Coronavirus Relief Fund. Through this grant, the State of Alaska allocated \$38,032,471.79 in in Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT) funds to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough in order to fund expenditures incurred in responding to the public health emergency of COVID-19.

On July 14, 2020, the Assembly approved Resolution Serial No. 20-069 and Informational Memorandum No. 20-139 to appropriate \$23,732,472 for Capital and Operating expenditures related to COVID-19.

On October 6, 2020, the Assembly adopted Resolution Serial No. 20-099 and Informational Memorandum No. 20-193 to appropriate an additional \$831,536 for Capital and Operating expenditures related to COVID-19.

On October 19, 2020, the Treasury Department issued guidance that invalidated the \$100 payment to our citizens. This item has been zeroed out for the spending plan.

On November 17, 2020, the Assembly adopted Resolution Serial No. 20-108 and Informational Memorandum No. 20-220 to appropriate an additional \$6,430,268 for Capital and Operating expenditures related to COVID-19. The last round of business grants have been processed. This line item has been reduced to \$11, 000,000. There is currently \$6,698,546 in unallocated funds available.

Attached to this legislation is a list of additional proposed expenditures in the amount of \$4,997,399. These additional expenditures follow both the federal guidance and the provisions of the state grant agreement.

Guidance issued on April 22, 2020:

- expenses for disinfection of public areas and other facilities
- expenses for public safety measures undertaken in response to COVID-19
- expenses to facilitate compliance with COVID-19 related public health measures
- expenses to improve telework capabilities for public employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions
- expenses of providing paid sick leave and paid family and medical leave to public employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions

Guidance issued May 4, 2020

- the Borough may presume that payroll costs for public health and public safety employed are payments for services substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency
- financial assistance to individuals and families directly impacted by a loss of income due to the COVID-19 public health emergency

Guidance issued May 28, 2020

- expenses for measures to improve mitigation measures, including related construction costs
- administrative expenses incurred with respect to a new grant program established to disburse amounts received from the fund

RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION: Adoption of legislation.

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
FISCAL NOTE

Agenda Date: December 15, 2020

Subject: A Resolution of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly To Allocate An Additional \$4,997,399 in Cares Act Money For Capital And Operating Expenditures and Amend The Scope Of Work.

ORIGINATOR: Cheyenne Heindel

FISCAL ACTION (TO BE COMPLETED BY FINANCE)	FISCAL IMPACT <u>YES</u> NO
AMOUNT REQUESTED <u>\$4,997,399</u>	FUNDING SOURCE <u>CARES Act</u>
FROM ACCOUNT # <u>475.000.000 4xx,xxx</u>	PROJECT # <u>47532</u>
TO ACCOUNT :	PROJECT #
VERIFIED BY: <u>Cheyenne Heindel</u>	CERTIFIED BY:
DATE: <u>12/03/2020</u>	DATE:

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026
Personnel Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land/Structures						
Grants, Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING						

CAPITAL	<u>4,997.4</u>					
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING:

(Thousands of Dollars)

General Fund						
State/Federal Funds	<u>4,997.4</u>					
Other						
TOTAL	<u>4,997.4</u>					

POSITIONS:

Full-Time						
Part-Time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

PREPARED BY: _____ PHONE: _____
 DEPARTMENT: _____ DATE: _____
 APPROVED BY: Cheyenne Heindel DATE: 12/3/2020

Costs funded with CARES Act Grant

Total CARES Allocation from State

38,032,472

Proposed Capital Removed from the FY 2021 Budget

1 Cyber Security Enhancements	300,000
2 Workstation Replacements	150,000
3 Network Infrastructure Refresh	370,000
4 DSJ Accessibility Upgrades	50,000
5 Sapphire Intravenous Pumps	50,000
6 Zoll X Series Cardiac Monitor	65,000
7 High Fidelity Trauma Manikins	105,000
8 High Fidelity Simulation Birthing Manikins	70,000
9 Ambulance Replacement/Refurbish(3)	504,400
10 Sunshine Creek Campground additional space - Phase I	40,000
11 Matanuska River Park Master Plan - additional spacing	50,000
12 Automatic Gate - Alcantra	50,000
13 Parks Vehicle	55,000
Total Removed from the proposed budget	1,859,400

Unbudgeted CARES Related Operating and Capital Costs

14 Election Requirements	500,000
15 MSCVB	1,500,000
16 Temporary Barriers at counters in Borough Facilities	15,000
17 Retro fit Borough Facilities with permanent barriers	250,000
18 Additional on-call staff to clean Facilities	100,000
19 Credit Card Fees for On-Line Tax payments July - Dec 31	150,000
20 Cost of increase bandwidth and WIFI to accommodate Work from home	91,610
21 Additional laptops	100,000
22 DSJ Meeting room enhancement	30,000
23 Additional cleaning supplies	10,000
24 Locker Room Wasilla Pool	500,000
10 Sunshine Creek Campground - additional space Phase II	60,000
25 Settlers Bay Park upgrades - additional space	140,000
12 Automatic Gate - Alcantra second gate	50,000
13 Additional parks vehicles	110,000
26 Stryker Lucas 3 Cardiac Compression Devices	303,000
27 Assessment workstation redo	23,715
28 Planning workstations	19,000
29 Permit Center Reconfiguration	30,000
30 On-line Public Engagment tools	25,000
31 Sutton & Talker Trapper Creek Library Access	50,000

Total Borough direct costs	5,916,725
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Operating Expenditures that potentially may be covered

32 Wages and Benefits Rescue/Ambulance 7/1-12/30	5,747,097
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Economic Development Grant

33 Small Business Grants - up to \$10,000 per applicant	11,000,000
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34 Chambers of Commerce	191,000	300,000
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35 Impact Aid Grant to residents - \$100 per applicant - Can not have program Treasury Guidance 10-19-2020	0
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36 Administion of Direct Aid and Business Grants	150,000
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37 Big Lake Lions	40,000
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38 Iditarod	297,000
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39 State Fair	515,000
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40 Musk Ox Farm	65,000
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Requests Approved 10/6/20202

41 Emergency Protective Equipment & Cleaning Supplies	21,000
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42 FFCRA Leave Reimburesment	200,000
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43 Powered Air Purifying Respirators	113,500
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44 Anderson EOGas Sterilizer	48,100
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45 Stryker Lucas 3 Cardiac Compression Devices	7,459
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46 IT Service Desk Counter Redesign	18,846
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47 SynDAVER Airway Trainers	22,000
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48 O-Two E700 Automatic Transport Ventilator	112,000
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49 IV Fluid Warmer - Floor Mount	18,000
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50 NAR Quantum Blood & Fluid Warming Systems	60,000
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51 Meadow Lakes Community Development	4,091
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52 Willow PTA	8,000
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53 Susitna Valley High School PTA	3,000
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54 Borough Libraries - AEDs & Certification	12,040
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55 Trapper Creek Community Council	500
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56 Trapper Creek Community Services	13,000
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57 Boroughwide Halloween/Fall celebrations	5,000
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58 Administration projects- Project Managers, accounting, etc time	100,000
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59 Z-Gen Hypochlorous Acid Generator	85,000
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60 A/C Sanitation Equipment, Supplies and No-Touch Check-In Equipment for Volunteers	13,700
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61 Equipment to Enable Remote Work for ACR Officers	7,600
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Requests Approved 11/17/2020

62 Dispatch Contract 7/1-12/30/20	683,710
63 Palmer Fire Service Agreement 7/1-12/30/2020	222,051
64 Cabling in Assessment office as result of workstation redo #27	9,488
65 Mat-Su Miners mitigation supplies	5,000
66 Ultraviolet Apparatus Disinfection System	56,312
67 Purpose Built Trailer, equipment and supplies for Mobile Point of Dispensing	35,000
68 2nd order of Emergency Protective Equipment & Cleaning Supplies	21,000
69 Food Coalition grants	300,000
70 Additional cleaning supplies	300,000
71 Wages and Benefits Fire Service Areas - July - December	3,469,707
72 Additional Credit Card Fees for Tax Payments	30,000
73 Zoll X Series Cardiac Monitors/Defibrillators	120,000
74 Zoll AED Plus Defibrillators	30,000
75 Polymer Material Medical Bags	50,000
76 Vehicles - 3	168,000
77 Utility Assistance	800,000
78 Extended leave with positive COVID result and FFCRA already used	100,000
79 United Way	30,000

Total Approved Requests	31,333,926
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Remaining CARES funding	6,698,546
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Requests presented 12/15/2020

80 School District	4,975,149
81 HAZMat Team Equipment	7,250
82 Monitors, Scanner, equipment and supplies for remote work	15,000

Total pending requests	4,997,399
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Remaining CARES Funding	1,701,147
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80. School District \$4,957,149

The Borough is eligible to provide coronavirus relief funding up to \$500/per student as per the U.S. Treasury Coronavirus Relief Fund Frequently Asked Questions, updated October 19, 2020, #53. The aggregate of what the State of Alaska and other local municipalities have provided the MSBSD (District) cannot exceed \$500/per student. The District has indicated that they have received \$3,997,351 from the State of Alaska. The calculation for the amount to be allocated to the District follows:

Student count as provided November 18, 2020	17,909
	<u>X 500</u>
	\$8,954,500
Less Already provided State CARES pass through	<u>\$3,997,351</u>
Eligible to fund School District	\$4,957,149

This amount will reduce the amount provided from the Matanuska-Susitna Borough General Fund but will not reduce the overall FY2021 funding to the District.

81. HAZMat Team Equipment \$7,250

The team responds throughout the Borough to emergencies which include biological threats from pathogens such as COVID-19. This equipment would help the team identify threats, protect responders, and decontaminate crews if exposed. This equipment will provide a safer work environment for these responders.

Dry Decontamination Equipment	2,750
SCBA G-1 adapters	<u>4,500</u>
	7,250

82. Monitors, Scanners, equipment and supplies for remote work \$15,000

Many employees have been provided with laptops to be able to work remotely. However to effectively work monitors, scan snaps, equipment and related supplies are needed.

83. Isolation curtain system \$15,000

As we continue to deal with the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, MSB-EMS has developed an in-dwelling isolation system for our transport ambulances to help mitigate droplet spread. This system helps to decrease the amount of airborne droplets that are expelled by the patient during transport that could expose our EMS providers to increased amounts of potentially infected COVID- 19 droplets. The system works by safely forming a curtain around the gurney while the patient is in transport, and then utilizes the on

board air-exchange system to draw air from inside the curtain out of the ambulance. We have found that the system is effective in substantially decreasing the amount of particulate/droplets that otherwise would be directly released into the entire compartment/cab of the ambulances. Many of the treatments performed by EMS providers in order to sustain life and decrease morbidity result in increased droplet exhalation. Examples of these necessary life- sustaining treatments include: continuous positive airway pressure systems (CPAP), oxygen administration systems, and nebulized medication delivery systems among others. Many departments around the nation are also developing their own individual containment systems, and in addition to numerous other infection control methods that we employ, we are able to transport suspected COVID-19 patients in as safe a manner as possible.

84. Food Coalition Member Grants (Additional Funding)

\$1,599,390

The Borough originally funded \$300,000 to this line item. However, that amount was exhausted quickly. The table below shows the amounts needed to cover the increase in food assistance that these organizations have experience due to the COVID-19 crisis.

Agency	# of meals provided	Total incurred at \$3.50 per meal	Amount Previously Awarded	Potential Additional Award
Willow Food Pantry	117,114	\$409,899.00	\$50,000	\$359,899.00
Upper Susitna Food Pantry	26,993	\$94,475.50	\$29,000	\$65,475.50
Faith Bible Food Pantry	151,042	\$528,647.00	\$50,000	\$478,647.00
Blood and Fire Ministries	28,800	\$100,800.00	\$38,000	\$62,800.00
Kids Kupboard	3,476	\$12,166.00	\$7,014	\$5,152.00
Salvation Army	53,085	\$185,797.50	\$38,000	\$147,797.50
Palmer Christian Center	134,314	\$470,106.00	\$50,000	\$420,106.00
Mat-Su Senior Services	2,791	\$9,768.50	\$9,768	
Sutton Bible Church	25,066	\$87,731.00	\$28,218	\$59,513.00

The Mat Su Food Coalition is composed of fifteen organizations that distribute food in the Mat Su Valley to hundreds of families and individuals that are less fortunate than most. These people comprise those below the poverty level, the now unemployed as well as the working poor. Food coalition members have stepped up and delivered food to at risk citizens in the Borough. These food agencies, pantries, programs and banks have expended much time and effort to get food, food boxes and food box deliveries to at risk individuals, families and seniors as part of the COVID-19 response. The coalition has provided more than 77,177 meals to more than 5,643 Mat Su residents since March 2020, which is well above their average. Originally, grants were provided to these organizations in the amount of \$3.50 per meal provided to residents living outside of the city limits of Palmer, Wasilla and Houston, up to \$50,000. Agencies may

reside within the city limits, but must document meals provided to residents outside those geographic limits.

85. Mat-Su Health Foundation

Not to Exceed \$1,000,000

Mat-Su Health Foundation has partnered with nonprofit organizations serving Mat-Su Borough residents to address unplanned expenses and/or lost revenue relating to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic March 12, 2020 through December 30, 2020. This grant will provide Mat-Su Health Foundation with reimbursable funds to cover distributions made to other entities to cover operational funding, supplies, equipment and other program costs associated with limiting exposure for high-risk groups and to address basic needs within the framework of allowable expenditures under the CARES act guidelines.

86. Administrative Reconciliation

If any specific amount of allocation to any project listed above is overfunded or it appears that funds will not be expended on the project by December 30, 2020, the Manager may allocate the amount of overfunding or remaining project funds to the Mat-Su Health Foundation in line 85 up to the limit of the grant approved.