



**AGENDA
YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
March 26, 2024**

City Hall -- Council Chambers - 129 N 2nd Street, Yakima, WA

5:00 p.m. Study Session --- This meeting will be conducted in person, live streamed at www.yakimawa.gov/council/live-stream/ and telecast live on Y-PAC, Spectrum Cable

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1. Roll Call
 2. Public comment (allow 15 minutes)
 3. Update on ARPA Funds Allocations
 4. March 21 parking meeting update
 5. Adjournment

The next meeting is a City Council regular meeting on April 2, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers

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**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 3.
For Meeting of: March 26, 2024

ITEM TITLE: Update on ARPA Funds Allocations
SUBMITTED BY: *Rosylen Oglesby, Interim Director of Finance & Budget

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

In 2021 & 2022 The City of Yakima received a total of \$26.2 million, authorized by the American Rescue Act (ARPA). Expenditures must meet criteria established by the US Department of the Treasury. This is a review of the current allocations and discussion regarding timelines by which funds must be obligated and spent.

ITEM BUDGETED: NA
STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Public Trust and Accountability

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL BY THE CITY MANAGER

RECOMMENDATION:

For transparency only.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
 ARPA PP slides	3/21/2024	Presentation



2024 American Rescue Plan Act: City Allocation & Disbursement Update

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1. ARPA Summary Overview
2. Expenses Categories and Limitations
3. Allocations Disbursement History
4. Spending Areas
5. Question and Answers



ARPA SUMMARY OVERVIEW

- On March 10, 2021, Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act, which included \$1.9 trillion in funds to help address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Direct funding to State and Local Governments – Total \$350 billion.
 - States and District of Columbia (\$195.3 billion)
 - Counties (\$65.1 billion)
 - Metropolitan cities (\$45.6 billion)
 - Tribal governments (\$20.0 billion)
 - Territories /Indirect Recipients (\$4.5 billion)
 - Non-entitlement units/cities with less than 50K residents (\$19.5 billion)
- Yakima received a total of \$26.2 Million.
 - 2021 – First Disbursement of \$13.1 Million.
 - 2022 – Second Disbursement of \$13.1 Million.



FUNDING OBJECTIVES

- Support urgent COVID-19 response efforts to continue to decrease the spread of the virus and bring the pandemic under control.
- Replace lost public sector revenue to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs.
- Support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses.
- Address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic.



SPENDING LIMITATIONS

- Generally, only covers eligible costs incurred ON or AFTER March 3, 2021.
- Expectations:
 - Direct assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits (e.g., rent, utility, mortgage assistance)
 - Retroactive Premium Pay
- Yakima must obligate all ARPA funds by December 31, 2024:
 - In 2 CFR § 200.71, the Uniform Guidance defines “obligation” as “orders placed for property and services, contracts and subawards made, and similar transactions during a given period that require payment by the non-Federal entity during the same or a future period.”
- All ARPA Funds must be spent by December 31, 2026.



REPORTING TIMELINES

- Reporting and Compliance Timelines:
 - Reports must include:
 - Project description,
 - Evidence to support eligibility under ARPA,
 - Award Amount
 - Project Status, and
 - In some cases, details about program structure, objectives, approach, and eligibility requirements for funding recipients
- Initial reporting started on April 30, 2022.
- Annual reports ensue thereafter.
- Random audits.



USES OF ARPA FUNDS

Eligible uses of ARPA funds:

- Replace lost public sector revenue
- Respond to public health and negative economic impacts
- Provide premium pay for essential workers
- Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure
- Emergency relief from natural disasters
- Surface transportation projects
- Title I projects

Ineligible uses of ARPA funds:

- Using the money for federal matching funds
- Premium pay for employees who were able to telework during the public health emergency
- Funding pension accounts
- Paying off outstanding debt
- Making deposits to reserve accounts or rainy day funds
- Funding debt service, legal settlements or judgments
- Depositing funds into any pension fund



REVENUE REPLACEMENT CATEGORY

(AKA Revenue Loss)

- Allows a local government to undertake a wide array of expenditures.
- Triggers less Uniform Guidance compliance requirements.
- Limits administrative burden.

Reporting Period	Counterfactual Revenue	Actual Revenue	Revenue Loss
Jan 1, 2020 to Dec 31, 2020	\$ 151,458,353	\$ 135,704,759	\$(15,753,594)
Jan 1, 2021 to Dec 31, 2021	\$ 142,761,407	\$ 159,062,381	No Loss
Jan 1, 2022 to Dec 31, 2022	\$ 167,333,625	\$ 153,880,073	\$(13,453,552)
Total:			\$(29,207,146)



ALLOCATION DISTRIBUTION PLAN: ORIGINAL

\$11.9 million - claimed as revenue loss and allocated as follows:

• 57 Police Patrol Vehicles	\$4,600,000
• Fire Engines & Other Vehicles	\$2,800,000
• Bank of America Building	\$2,000,000
• Technology & Software	\$1,000,000
• Space Study of City Properties	\$300,000
• To Be Determined	\$1,200,000

\$14.3 million is allocated as follows:

• Mill Site Water & Sewer	\$6,000,000
• Sewer & Water Investments	\$1,000,000
• Women and Family Shelter	\$2,000,000
• DV Advocate - City	\$250,000
• Yakima Convention Center	\$800,000
• Community Partnerships	\$500,000
• Mental Health/Homeless	\$1,500,000
• Affordable Housing	\$1,000,000
• Yakima Arts Center	\$1,250,000

Source: City Manager's Memorandum RE: ARPA Recommendations dated September 3, 2021.



ALLOCATION DISTRIBUTION PLAN: FIRST REVISION

\$11.9 million - claimed as revenue loss and allocated as follows:

• Technology & Software	\$1,000,000
• 57 Police Patrol Vehicles	\$4,600,000
• Fire Engines & Other Vehicles	\$2,800,000
• Bank of America Building	\$2,000,000
• Space Study of City Properties	\$300,000
• To Be Determined	\$1,200,000
• Aquatic Center @ MLK (capital)	\$1,500,000

\$14 million is allocated as follows:

• Mill Site Water & Sewer	\$6,000,000
• Sewer & Water Investments	\$1,000,000
• Women and Family Shelter	\$2,000,000
• DV Advocate - City	\$250,000
• Yakima Convention Center	\$500,000
• Community Partnerships	\$500,000
• Mental Health/Homeless	\$1,500,000
• Affordable Housing	\$1,000,000
• Yakima Arts Center	\$1,250,000

\$295,479 Not Assigned

Green – Complete
Red – Revised
Purple – New

Source: City Manager's Memorandum RE: ARPA Funds dated July 12, 2022.



ALLOCATION DISTRIBUTION PLAN: SECOND REVISION

\$14.09 million - claimed as revenue loss and allocated as follows:

• Technology & Software	\$1,400,000
• 57 Police Patrol Vehicles	\$4,600,000
• Fire Engines & Other Vehicles	\$2,831,446
• Bank of America Building	\$1,967,921
• Space Study of City Properties	\$300,000
• To Be Determined	\$1,200,000
• Aquatic Center @ MLK (capital)	\$1,500,000
• Fire Overtime	\$1,000,000
• Economic Development	\$800,000

\$11.25 million is allocated as follows:

• Mill Site Water & Sewer	\$6,000,000
• Sewer & Water Investments	\$1,000,000
• Women and Family Shelter	\$2,000,000
• DV Advocate - City	\$250,000
• Yakima Convention Center	\$500,000
• Community Partnerships	\$99,620
• Mental Health/Homeless	\$1,500,000
• Affordable Housing	\$667,000
• Yakima Arts Center	\$1,250,000
• Community Projects – TBD	\$733,380

\$846,112 Not Assigned

Green – Complete
Red – Revised
Purple – New

Source: City Manager's Presentation RE: ARPA Update dated August 22, 2023.



ALLOCATION DISTRIBUTION PLAN: THIRD REVISION

\$14.17 million - claimed as revenue loss and allocated as follows:

• Technology & Software	\$1,470,612
• 57 Police Patrol Vehicles	\$4,600,000
• Fire Engines & Other Vehicles	\$2,831,446
• Bank of America Building	\$1,967,921
• Space Study of City Properties	\$300,000
• To Be Determined	\$1,200,000
• Aquatic Center @ MLK <small>(capital)</small>	\$1,500,000
• Fire Overtime	\$1,000,000
• Economic Development	\$800,000

\$11.25 million is allocated as follows:

• Mill Site Water & Sewer	\$6,000,000
• Sewer & Water Investments	\$1,000,000
• Women and Family Shelter	\$2,000,000
• DV Advocate - City	\$250,000
• Yakima Convention Center	\$500,000
• Community Partnerships	\$99,620
• Mental Health/Homeless	\$1,500,000
• Affordable Housing	\$667,000
• Yakima Arts Center	\$1,250,000
• Community Projects – TBD	\$733,380
• YPAC Upgrades	\$55,776

\$775,500 Not Assigned

Green – Complete
Red – Revised
Purple – New



ALLOCATION DISTRIBUTION PLAN: FOURTH REVISION

\$14.89 million - claimed as revenue loss and allocated as follows:

• Technology & Software	\$1,470,612
• 57 Police Patrol Vehicles	\$4,600,000
• Fire Engines & Other Vehicles	\$2,831,446
• Bank of America Building	\$1,967,921
• Space Study of City Properties	\$300,000
• To Be Determined	\$1,200,000
• Aquatic Center @ MLK (capital)	\$1,500,000
• Fire Overtime	\$1,000,000
• Economic Development	\$800,000
• Aquatic Center @ MLK (operating)	\$719,000

\$11.25 million is allocated as follows:

• Mill Site Water & Sewer	\$6,000,000
• Sewer & Water Investments	\$1,000,000
• Women and Family Shelter	\$2,000,000
• DV Advocate - City	\$250,000
• Yakima Convention Center	\$500,000
• Community Partnerships	\$99,620
• Mental Health/Homeless	\$1,500,000
• Affordable Housing	\$667,000
• Yakima Arts Center	\$1,250,000
• Community Projects – TBD	\$733,380
• YPAC Upgrades	\$55,776

\$56,500 Not Assigned

Green – Complete
Red – Revised
Purple - New



PENDING ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Activity	Amount	Category
Mill Site*	\$5,000,000	Infrastructure
Sewer & Water	\$1,000,000	Infrastructure
Women & Family Shelter	\$2,000,000	Public Health/Violence Intervention
Community Partnerships	\$99,620	Household Assistance: Food Program
Community Projects – TBD	\$733,380	TBD
Not Assigned	\$56,500	TBD
Total	\$8,889,500	
<i>*Excluding \$1 M as match for LIFT Grant</i>		



NEXT STEPS

- Continue outreach with project owners on the pending eligible project lists.
- Revisit – June/July
 - To discuss the status of the pending eligible projects.
 - To establish a date by which the City Council determines to defund projects unable to move forward with assurances that the City will be able to meet its deadlines.
 - Present alternative eligible projects for remaining funds.
- Decisions must be made quickly in order to meet deadlines.
 - Obligate all ARPA funds by December 31, 2024
 - Spend all ARPA funds by December 31, 2026



Q&A





**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
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Item No. 4.
For Meeting of: March 26, 2024

ITEM TITLE: March 21 parking meeting update
SUBMITTED BY: Dave Zabell, Interim City Manager

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

As discussed during the March 19, 2024 presentation to the City Council regarding staff's findings and preliminary recommendations with regard to improvement of the city-owned parking lots within the downtown core and regulation of parking within the lots, staff conducted a March 21 public outreach meeting at City Hall to discuss the preliminary recommendations to the public and receive input.

The meeting was not as well attended as the Special City Council meeting conducted earlier this year, however there was a good cross-section of downtown business/property owners and employees working in the downtown core that allowed for some very productive discussion.

Staff is compiling and evaluating the feedback from the meeting and from businesses otherwise having weighed in on the preliminary recommendations. Staff will update the Council on what we heard and present final recommendations.

ITEM BUDGETED:

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL BY THE CITY MANAGER

RECOMMENDATION: