



City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 241037

Submitted Department/Preparer: Water

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Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in [Administrative Regulation \(AR\) 4-1](#).

Executive Summary

Accepting and approving a \$500,000.00 grant award from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, passed through from the federal Treasury Department as part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, to fund the installation of flood warning sites and telemetry systems, with various electronics instrumentation and sensors; estimating appropriating \$500,000.00 in the Stormwater Fund; identifying funds for the grant match; designating requisitioning authority; and recognizing this ordinance as having an accelerated effective date.

Discussion

Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021, a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill designed to speed up the American economic recovery after the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the co-occurring recession, of which Missouri received approximately \$2.7 billion in State Fiscal Recovery Funds for a variety of approved grant programs.

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is administering a variety of said grant programs for initiatives such as support for public health expenditures, addressing negative economic impacts caused by COVID-19, replacing lost public sector revenue, and investing in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

City Council passed Ordinance No. 220534 on June 23, 2022 authorizing designated Water Services Department staff to act as the City's designated authorized representatives for participation by the City, through its Water Services Department.

The proposed ARPA grant project will complete the installation of flood warning sites and telemetry systems with various electronics instrumentation and sensors to modernize the system. Its coverage will build resiliency to wet weather events and their impacts on citizens. Work will be performed throughout Kansas City, in Clay, Jackson and Platte Counties.

This ARPA grant was awarded to the City for \$500,000.00 with a cash match of \$105,000.00.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? Yes No
2. What is the funding source?
The funds are coming from the Department of the Treasury

25-8200-800760-611060-82000090 = \$500,000.00
Stormwater Fund
3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?
This legislation estimates revenue and appropriates a grant award in the current fiscal year. This is grant funding for installation of flood warning sites and telemetry systems throughout the City.
4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.
The funds are for a one-time upgrade of an existing system funded via the normal budget process.
5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?
Yes, these funds are being received from an outside grant award and they are leveraging outside funding. A \$105,000.00 match is required to obtain the \$500,000.00 in grant funds.

Office of Management and Budget Review

(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

1. This legislation is supported by the general fund. Yes No
2. This fund has a structural imbalance. Yes No
3. Account string has been verified/confirmed. Yes No

Additional Discussion (if needed)

This legislation estimates revenue sufficient to cover the additional appropriation. Due to this being a grant award, the money has not been transferred into the account yet, hence no account string verification.

Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

1. View the [Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan](#)
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
Infrastructure and Accessibility (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):
 - Engage in thoughtful planning and redesign of existing road networks to ensure safety, access, and mobility of users of all ages and abilities.
 - Enhance the City's connectivity, resiliency, and equity through a better-connected multi-modal transportation system for all users.
 - Build on existing strengths while developing a comprehensive transportation plan for the future.
 - Develop environmentally sustainable infrastructure strategies that improve quality of life and foster economic growth.
 - Ensure adequate resources are provided for continued maintenance of existing infrastructure.
 - Focus on delivery of safe connections to schools.

Prior Legislation

The City Council passed Ordinance No. 220534 on June 23, 2022 authorizing the Director, Chief Engineering Officer, and Utility Asset Manager of the Water Services Department to act as the City's designated authorized representatives for participation by the City, through its Water Services Department, in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in accordance with federal requirements administered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury and state requirements administered by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources; and directing the Director of Water Services to report back to Council with an update on the grants awarded by October 31, 2022.

Service Level Impacts

This grant will enable an upgrade to the Flood Warning System allowing for better responsiveness to rain events including barricading of streets to prevent vehicles from entering flood waters.

Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?
This grant project will improve operations and services and emergency response, risk identification, evacuations, and overflows.
2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?
N/A
3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?
Improved data collected from the Flood Warning system will be utilized in reducing our overflows through the most economical and environmental means.
4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?
No (Press tab after selecting)
5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

No - CREO's review is not applicable (Press tab after selecting)
Please provide reasoning why not:

This ordinance is simply to accept, approve, and appropriate grant funds.
6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?
No(Press tab after selecting)