

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DIRECTING THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO DEVELOP ALLOCATIONS FOR THE FUNDS LIKELY TO BE AWARDED TO THE CITY PURSUANT TO THE *AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021* (“AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN”) IN ORDER TO SUPPORT CONTINUED CITY SERVICES AND INVESTMENTS NECESSARY TO RESPOND TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO COVID-19 OR ITS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS, TO PROVIDE CITY SERVICES TO THE EXTENT OF THE REDUCTION IN REVENUE DUE TO THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, TO MAKE NECESSARY INVESTMENTS IN WATER, SEWER OR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE, OR TO SUPPORT PREMIUM PAY FOR ELIGIBLE WORKERS PERFORMING ESSENTIAL WORK DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC; DIRECTING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO DEVELOP A ROBUST COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING PROGRAM RELATED TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE FUNDING; DIRECTING THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO COORDINATE WITH THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO MAKE APPROPRIATE PREPARATIONS TO QUICKLY AND EFFECTIVELY SUPPORT PROCUREMENTS AND CONTRACT DEVELOPMENT FOR PROGRAMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN; AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, like much of the world the United States, the State of Georgia, and the City of Atlanta are currently responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus named “SARS-CoV-2” and the disease it causes named “coronavirus disease 2019” (abbreviated “COVID-19”); and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 the President of the United States announced a national emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which included two emergency declarations: one under the National Emergencies Act and one under the Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020 Governor Brian Kemp signed a public health state of emergency to address the COVID-19 pandemic through assisting health and emergency

management officials across Georgia by deploying all available resources for the mitigation and treatment of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, I declared there to be an emergency in existence within the City of Atlanta pursuant to Section 2-181(a) of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance thereof, on March 16, 2020 all City facilities, including City Hall were declared closed to the general public until further notice, and City of Atlanta implemented a mandatory full telework deployment; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2021, the United States Congress approved a sweeping coronavirus relief package, titled the *American Rescue Plan Act of 2021*, (the American Rescue Plan Act); and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. signed the American Rescue Plan bill into law; and

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan is one of the largest economic rescue packages in U.S. history, provides \$1.9 trillion in additional relief to respond to COVID-19, and includes provisions on aid to state and local governments, hard-hit industries and communities, tax changes affecting individuals and business, and other provisions; and

WHEREAS, under the American Rescue Plan, \$45.57 billion in direct federal aid has been allocated for municipalities with populations of at least 50,000; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the City of Atlanta shall receive an allocation of American Rescue Plan Funds; and

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan provides that these funds may only be utilized to respond to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts, for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, to make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure, or for premium pay for eligible workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in order to develop an allocation recommendation, I am hereby directing the Chief Operating Officer and the Chief Financial Officer to develop allocations for the funds the City of Atlanta is likely to receive as a result of the American Rescue Plan in accordance with the uses authorized thereby; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer is also directed to develop a robust compliance and monitoring program related to the distribution of the funding likely to be received by the City of Atlanta as a result of the American Rescue Plan; and

WHEREAS, additionally, the Chief Operating Officer is hereby directed to coordinate with the Chief Procurement Officer and the City Attorney to make appropriate

preparations to quickly and effectively support procurements and contract development for programs associated with the American Rescue Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, pursuant to Section 3-104 of the City of Atlanta Charter and Section 2-182(4) of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances, it is hereby ordered that the Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer shall develop allocations for the funds the City of Atlanta is likely to receive as a result of the American Rescue Plan, where such allocations must be in accordance with the uses authorized by the American Rescue Plan.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Chief Financial Officer shall develop a robust compliance and monitoring program related to the distribution of the funding likely to be received by the City of Atlanta as a result of the American Rescue Plan.

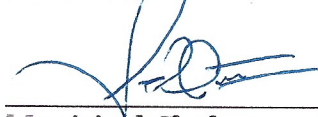
BE IT FINALLY ORDERED, that the Chief Operating Officer shall coordinate with the Chief Procurement Officer and the City Attorney to make appropriate preparations to quickly and effectively support procurements and contract development for programs associated with the American Rescue Plan.

SO ORDERED, this 15th day of March, 2021.



Keisha Lance Bottoms, Mayor

ATTESTED:



Municipal Clerk

Foris Webb, III
Municipal Clerk

Received/Filed.

This 15th day of March, 2021.