



Agenda Commentary

Item Title/ Subject: Consider Resolution for accepting funds from Cares Act for public safety personnel

Staff Source: Gene McCullough, Acting City Manager

Date: September 1, 2020

History/Background Information: The Cares Act is established to help fund costs related to COVID-19.

Subject Summary: A resolution approved by Council must be passed confirming the presumption of public safety personnel costs related to COVID-19 activities.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 912

Price/Cost: Reimbursements for accrued costs.

**CITY OF CLINTON
CLINTON, OKLAHOMA**

RESOLUTION No. _____

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FUNDING PURSUANT TO THE CARES ACT AND THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND, CONFIRMING THAT IT IS THE POLICY OF THE CITY THAT ALL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL COSTS ARE “SUBSTANTIALLY DEDICATED” TO THE COVID-19 RESPONSE EFFORTS OF THE CITY THROUGHOUT THE ONGOING STATE OF EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the coronavirus COVID-19 disease to be a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency; due to the COVID-19 Virus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, the Governor of the State of Oklahoma declared an emergency caused by the impending threat of COVID-19 to the people of this State and the public’s peace, health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s statewide emergency declaration has been renewed and extended numerous times and remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Mayor and City Council to protect the health and safety of the City and its inhabitants, to preserve the peace, and to provide civil defense and emergency functions; and

WHEREAS, the guidelines applicable to funding from the Cares Act indicate that there is a presumption that all public safety personnel costs are related to the COVID-19 relief efforts unless the relevant municipal official determines otherwise; and

WHEREAS, approval of this resolution is in the best interest of the residents of the City.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Clinton as follows:

- A. Pursuant to the guidelines established for the receipt by a municipality of funds pursuant to the Cares Act and the Coronavirus Relief Fund, the City Council confirms the presumption that all public safety personnel costs of the City for the period from March 1, 2020, through July 31, 2020, were substantially dedicated to the City’s COVID-19 response efforts.

B. City staff is authorized and directed to proceed with an application to the State of Oklahoma for reimbursement of COVID-19 related public safety personnel costs for the stated period.

C. The Mayor and/or City Manager are authorized to execute all documents necessary to complete the application and funding process.

This Resolution is approved in open meeting of the City of Clinton, Oklahoma, on the 1st day of September, 2020.

CITY OF CLINTON

David Berrong, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

City Attorney