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AGENDA

AGENDA OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BISBEE, COUNTY OF COCHISE, AND STATE OF ARIZONA, TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021 AT 6:00 PM VIA ZOOM.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY \_\_\_\_\_ AT \_\_\_\_\_.

ROLL CALL

**COUNCIL**

Councilmember Louis Pawlik, Ward III  
Councilmember Joni Giacomino, Ward II  
Councilmember Frank Davis, Ward I  
Mayor Ken Budge  
Councilmember Leslie Johns, Ward I  
VACANT, Ward II  
Councilmember Anna Cline, Ward III, Mayor Pro Tempore

**STAFF**

Stephen J. Pauken, City Manager  
Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk  
Keri Bagley, Finance Director  
Joelle Landers, Personnel Director  
Jesus Haro, Public Works Director  
Albert Echave, Police Chief  
George Castillo, Fire Chief

**CITY ATTORNEY**

Joseph Estes

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL BE DISCUSSED AND/OR CONSIDERED AT THESE MEETINGS:

1. American Rescue Plan Act allocation to the City.  
Stephen Pauken, City Manager

2. Discussion and Possible Approval of a request of the Copper Queen Community Hospital Foundation for a grant of \$31,352.00 to purchase a Pulmonary Function Test (PFT) System.  
Stephen Pauken, City Manager

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**REQUEST FOR MAYOR & COUNCIL ACTION**

**Session of: July 27, 2021**

Regular  Special

**DATE ACTION SUBMITTED:** July 22, 2021

**REGULAR**       **CONSENT**

**TYPE OF ACTION:**

**RESOLUTION**       **ORDINANCE**       **FORMAL ACTION**       **OTHER**

**SUBJECT:** American Rescue Plan Act allocation to the City

**FROM:** Stephen J. Pauken, City Manager

**RECOMMENDATION:** Review suggested expenditures from American Rescue Plan Funds

**PROPOSED MOTION:**

**DISCUSSION:**

The City has received its first allocation of American Rescue Plan funds in the amount of \$872,532.11. Staff has made a list of suggestions for the use of these funds, which is attached for your review. Additional suggestions are welcomed from the Mayor and Council. Once the recommendations have been made, each expenditure will have to come back to the Mayor and Council for individual approval at the time it is used. One additional allocation of \$872,532.11 will be received by the City in July of 2022, and the city will have until 2024 to make all expenditures. As an additional step, all recommended expenditures will be verified as eligible before the expenditure is approved.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Up to \$872,532.11

**DEPARTMENT LINE ITEM ACCOUNT:** 10-36-11091

**BALANCE IN LINE ITEM IF APPROVED:** Up to \$872,532.11

**Prepared by:** Stephen J. Pauken  
Stephen J. Pauken  
City Manager

**Reviewed by:** Ashlee Coronado  
Ashlee Coronado  
City Clerk

**American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Suggestions by category**  
Bisbee Allocation on 7/2/2021: \$872,532.11

**Community Assistance**

- CQCH Foundation – Pulmonary Function Machine - \$32,000
- Emergency assistance to non-profits - \$50,000

**Broadband**

- Upgrade Library WIFI for longer reach – \$13,000
- Public Access Computers, Library, Annex, City Hall - \$10,000

**Water/Sewer**

- Upgrade/Replace old sewer lines - \$100,000
- Grant match for Fire Suppression System

**Tourism**

- Upgrade to QMT Visitor Center (VC Mgr) - \$7,500
- New card racks \$5,000
- Remodel Tourist Restrooms (QMT, Grassy, Goar) - \$20,000
- Additional Advertising \$25,000

**Supplement cost of COVID-19 impact on absences and overtime**

**Public Safety**

- Radio Project, 15 portables x \$1200 = \$18,000
- Motorola APX 7500 Console System Planner - \$9,000
- Emergency Generators City Hall/FS81/FS82
- Defibrillator - \$40,000
- FEMA Fire Truck match - \$25,000

**Park Improvements**

- Pool; replace Cool Deck- \$30,000
- Garcia Tin Town Park – \$25,000
- Saginaw Park – \$25,000
- Ramadas, Higgins and Lower Vista – \$5,000 x 5 = \$25,000

**Airport**

- Local Match, Runway Sealing Project – \$33,000

**Historic Preservation**

- Complete Warren NRHP Application - \$10,000
- Muheim Heritage House - \$10,000

**Arts Commission**

- Art Festival - \$10,000

### **Building Improvements**

- **Air Conditioning, Library - \$135,000 + Structural evaluation**
- **Air Conditioning, FS81, FS82 - \$100,000 + Structural evaluation**
- **Overhead Door, FS82 –**
- **Police Evidence Room remodel and roof repair - \$25,000**
- **Office and Equipment for Planner - \$10,000**
- **City Hall demolition delayed by COVID pandemic - \$100,000**

**In compliance with Federal and Treasury Department guidance under the American Rescue Plan, Program Name may only be used to cover costs that:**

- Respond to or mitigate the public health emergency with respect to the COVID-19 emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality. These examples are intended to clarify congressional intent that these activities are eligible. However, state and local activities are NOT limited only to these activities.
- Provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue (i.e. online, property or income tax) due to the public health emergency.
- Make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.
- State and local governments can transfer the funds to a private nonprofit organization, a public benefit corporation involved in the transportation of passengers or cargo or a special-purpose unit of State or local government.
- Respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the county that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work.
- "Premium pay" means an additional amount up to \$13 per hour that is paid to an eligible worker for work during the COVID-19 pandemic. The law imposes a cap of \$25,000 for any single

**Non-allowable costs:**

- States are not allowed to use the funds to either directly or indirectly offset a reduction in the net tax revenue that results from a change in law, regulation or administrative interpretation during the covered period that reduces any tax. If a state violates this provision, it will be required to repay the amount of the applicable reduction to net tax revenue.
- No funds shall be deposited into any pension fund.
- Any local government, including counties, that fail to comply with the federal law and related guidelines shall be required to repay the federal Treasury. Reporting Requirements for State and Local Governments:
- States are required to report how funds are used and how their tax revenue was modified during the time that funds were spent during the covered period (covered period begins on March 3, 2021 and ends on the last day of the fiscal year a state or local government has expended or returned all funds to the U.S. Treasury).
- Local governments, including counties, are required to provide "periodic reports" providing a detailed accounting of the use of funds.
- If a state, county or municipality does not comply with any provision of this bill, they are required to repay the U.S. Treasury an equal amount to the funds used in violation.



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**SUBJECT:** Discussion and Possible Approval of a request of the Copper Queen Community Hospital Foundation for a grant of \$31,352 to purchase a Pulmonary Function Test (PFT) System.

**FROM:** Stephen J. Pauken, City Manager

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the Request for assistance

**PROPOSED MOTION:** I move that we approve the request of the Copper Queen Community Hospital Foundation for a grant of \$31,352 to purchase a Pulmonary Function Test (PFT) System.

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**DISCUSSION:**

The Copper Queen Community Hospital Foundation has sent us a grant application for the purchase of a Pulmonary Function Test (PFT) System. This equipment diagnoses disease and guides treatment not only for chronic and acute pulmonary patients but for new "long" Covid-19 patients at the Hospital in Bisbee. Attached is the full grant application.

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**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$31,352

**DEPARTMENT LINE ITEM ACCOUNT:** 10-36-11091

**BALANCE IN LINE ITEM IF APPROVED:** \$841,180.11

Prepared by: Stephen J. Pauken  
Stephen J. Pauken  
City Manager

Reviewed by: Ashlee Coronado  
Ashlee Coronado  
City Clerk



Dear City of Bisbee Council, Mayor and City Manager,

07/14/21

I am writing on behalf of the Copper Queen Community Hospital Foundation, as a board member, to propose to the City of Bisbee a request for funding for a Pulmonary Function Test (PFT) System. This equipment diagnoses disease and guides treatment not only for our chronic and acute pulmonary patients but for our new "long" Covid-19 patients.

COVID-19, in certain patients, has caused lung damage. It is still unclear if the resulting pulmonary fibrosis is permanent or resolvable. We would like to provide the data we discover to a research project for the purpose of understanding the Post-Acute Sequelae of Sars-Cov-2 infection. We have a request to the NIH to participate in their study.

**Current challenges:**

- CQCH currently has a PFT system that has limited functionality, is beyond useful life at 30 years old, with no warrantee and no available parts for repairs.
- The Diffusion Lung Carbon Monoxide (DLCO) function has not worked for years. (needed to diagnosis emphysema).
- Without a new system CQCH's data will not be complete enough to participate in any study.
- The current machine, with limited testing takes 90 minutes.
- Before COVID CQCH completed 4 PFT tests per month. The Respiratory Therapists are now completing 4 per week in response to the needs of "long" COVID patients.
- The pulmonologist that reads our data states the system is woefully outdated with limited useful information for diagnosis and treatment plans.
- CQCH will likely be managing severe pulmonary illness next fall as COVID fibrosed lungs are introduced to the flu.
- Currently, CQCH providers, needing more complete pulmonary function testing, send their patients to other facilities for testing. Sending vulnerable, sick patients who are often with limited resources out of the community for their care is a hardship on many levels. It also sends potential hospital revenue out of the community and sometimes out of the county.
- CQCH took a financial hit during the COVID crisis and continues work to overcome the fiscal deficit. The hospital also finds itself in the middle of the first phase of a 3 phased expansion, intended to increase medical services to Bisbee and all of Southeast Arizona. These two factors make it difficult to outlay capital for PFT equipment at this time.
- We run the risk of missing our opportunity to add to the greater national and global knowledge base related to post COVID pulmonary symptoms, care, and treatment.



## **Benefits:**

- CQCH will collect testing data to be shared with the NIH (and any other studies) to add to the collective post-COVID data. It is our hope that this data will lead to best care practices in the cases of resolvable or permanent lung damage.
- The new system provides complete, state of the art data in only 40 minutes.
- Patients can be followed more closely through periodic testing to evaluate pulmonary function deterioration, stasis, or improvement.
- It is expected that with a faster, more accurate and complete test CQCH providers will utilize this service more often. (5-6 patients per day is not an unreasonable expectation). The patients can then receive customized treatment based on results.
- With complete data the whole disease process can be evaluated which can justify referrals. Best pulmonary rehabilitation treatment plans can be better determined.
- In some cases, it will answer these questions: Is the disease process reversible? Are maintenance drugs, rescue drugs or a combination of both medications required?
- CQCH's has a base of rural clinics in Bisbee, Douglas, Tombstone and Palominas where provider can order the PFT's. Revenue that would be spent in other districts stays in our community.
- Chiricahua Community Health Center in Bisbee does not provide PFTs so can send patients to Bisbee respiratory department as needed. Canyon Vista's PFT's system is periodically out of commission and patients can be sent to CQCH for testing.
- Provide an option for post- COVID patients presurgical PFTs to determine lung condition to evaluate the potential for surgical or post-surgical respiratory distress or failure. E.g., CQCH has a patient who was 6 months post COVID with no obvious residual symptoms who was placed under anesthesia in the OR for a routine procedure. Respiratory distress ensued. The patients post episode chest x-ray showed ground glass opacities in both lungs (COVID Lungs). The PFT would have identified the risk prior to the procedure allowing for mitigation measures.

The quote for the new PFT system is \$41,752 for the machine, supplies and training. The hospital was able to negotiate a 20% discount as well as a \$4,000 trade in. Please find the quote attached.

Arizona Complete Health is providing \$5,400 and Legacy foundation is providing \$5,000 Remaining funds needed to complete this important capital improvement is \$31,352

Thank you very much for your consideration,

Danielle Boochever  
CQCHF  
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