City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 08/26/25 **M&C FILE NUMBER**: M&C 25-0780

LOG NAME: 19CHILD CARE ASSOCIATES ARPA ALLOCATION

SUBJECT

(CD 5) Authorize Reallocation of American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Up to \$629,070.00 to Support Construction of Child Care Associate's Early Childhood Learning Facility in the Stop Six Neighborhood

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that City Council authorize reallocation of American Rescue Plan Act Funds, Subtitle M (Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) in an amount Up to \$629,070.00 to support development and construction of Child Care Associate's Early Childhood Learning Facility in the Stop Six neighborhood.

DISCUSSION:

This Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize reallocation of \$629,070.00 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) funds to support unforeseen but necessary development and construction costs creating a financing gap for the Child Care Associate (CCA) Early Childhood Learning Facility in the Stop Six Neighborhood (the "Project").

The City of Fort Worth received ARPA SLFRF in an amount exceeding \$173.7 million, consisting of \$87,024,408.00 to be spent in the areas of Public Health and Negative Economic Impacts (Non-Revenue Recovery), and \$86,720,682.00 to assist the City of Fort Worth (City) with the provision of governmental services (Revenue Recovery).

Per U.S. Treasury requirements, the full amount was allocated to ARPA eligible initiatives established in M&C 21-0445 on June 22, 2021, and contracts were executed to obligate funds by the established deadline of December 31, 2024. Current Treasury guidelines allow identified ARPA residual revenue to be reallocated to established ARPA projects to cover shortfalls in funding as a result of unforeseen but necessary expenditures.

Originally planned as part of the community center "hub," this Project was initially allocated \$5,000,000.00 in Non-Revenue Recovery ARPA funding on October 19, 2021, by M&C 21-0814 as a way of improving access to quality affordable child care services in a qualified census tract, which was identified as a means of responding to the negative economic impact of the coronavirus pandemic (Section 603(c)(1)(A) of Title VI of the Social Security Act (added by ARPA) and Treasury Department guidance).

Due to space limitations and competing demands at the hub, a stand-alone facility was pursued, an option supported by then-Councilwoman Bivens. Fort Worth Housing Solutions (FWHS) identified two parcels in the vicinity as a possible site for the Project. While FWHS initially expected to provide the land at a minimal cost, CCA ultimately had to pay over \$450,000.00 for the lots. Although the site lacks utilities and infrastructure, the CCA Foundation Board authorized the land purchase at an increased price to keep the Project on track. Zoning and City Council approvals are complete, and the Project is scheduled for completion by December 2026.

CCA received infrastructure bids totaling approximately \$1,900,000.00, much higher than anticipated, due to soil preparation and water retention requirements. These costs now account for nearly a third of the project budget and have created a projected shortfall of \$1,500,000.00.

The Financial Management Services Department (FMS), in coordination with department project managers, has identified residual ARPA Non-Revenue Recovery funds in the following completed or substantially completed ARPA projects:

Project	M&C	Amount
ARPA Administration	21-0805	\$ 75,000.00
Highland Hills Park Improvements	23-0517	500,000.00
Gragg Child Development Facility	21-0814	53,778.00
MMA Streetlights	22-0789	292.00
Total Available for Reallocation		\$ 629,070.00

In addition to the proposed reallocated ARPA funding, a separate M&C on today's agenda seeks authorization to use \$870,930.00 in Fiscal Year 2025 interest earnings for this learning facility, for a total additional funding amount of \$1,500,000.00

Summary of ARPA Allocations To-Date

The following chart reflects the current status for allocation of the City's ARPA funding under Subtitle M and incorporates each ARPA M&C on the August 26, 2025, Council Agenda:

STATUS	AMOUNT	M&C
Total CFW ARPA Subtitle M Funding	\$173,745,090.00	21-0445 362021 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN
Allocations Approved To-Date	6,000,000.00	21-0794 25ARPA-VFW-TDG
Allocations Approved To-Date	1,000,000.00	21-0805 13ARPA-ADMINISTRATION
Allocations Approved To-Date	4,245,533.00	21-0810 17ARPA ALLOCATIONS EVANS & ROSEDALE REDEVELOPMENT
Allocations Approved To-Date	2,400,000.00	21-0811 17ARPA ALLOCATIONS UNTHSC TECHSTARS
Allocations Approved To-Date	10,100,000.00	21-0814 19ARPA ALLOCATIONS TO HOUSING AND HUMAN SERVICES PROJECTS
Allocations Approved To-Date	3,000,000.00	21-0809 19ARPA ALLOCATION CDFI FRIENDLY AMERICA
Allocations Approved To-Date	300,000.00	21-0820 25ARPA-WRMC MURAL PLAQUES
Allocations Approved To-Date	6,400,000.00	21-0935 21ARPA-PEG FUNDING-FUTURE CITY HALL
Allocations Approved To-Date	8,000,000.00	21-0908 23ARPA-VACCINATIONS AND TESTING
Allocations Approved To-Date	4,560,000.00	21-0913 25ARPA-PED_CAPITAL_RESTORE

Allocations Approved To-Date	52,000,000.00	21-0934 21ARPA-FWCC EXPANSION FUNDING & PROJECT MANAGEMENT
Allocations Approved To-Date	3,000,000.00	22-0268 17ARPA CENTER FOR TRANSFORMING LIVES
Allocations Approved To-Date	5,000,000.00	22-0270 19ARPA ALLOCATION FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
Allocations Approved To-Date	7,091,047.00	22-0368 04ARPANEIGHBORHOOD WIFI CARES RATIFICATION/ARPA ALLOCATION
Allocations Approved To-Date	3,595,000.00	22-0366 04ARPA INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM
Allocations Approved To-Date	3,675,000.00	22-0367 04ARPA CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM
Allocations Approved To-Date	16,000,000.00	22-0789 MMA INFRASTRUCTURE – STREETLIGHTS & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY
Allocations Approved To-Date	2,500,000.00	22-0789 MMA INFRASTRUCTURE – COBB & HIGHLAND HILLS PARKS
Allocations Approved To-Date	3,200,000.00	22-0789 TARRANT AREA FOOD BANK FACILITY
Allocations Approved To-Date	2,000,000.00	22-0789 POLICE AND FIRE COVID WORKER'S COMPENSATION CLAIMS
Allocations Approved To-Date	1,458,372.00	22-0789 POLICE COVID HEALTH EXPENDITURES
Allocations Approved To-Date	750,000.00	22-0789 VISIT FORT WORTH SPECIAL EVENT FUNDING
Allocations Approved To-Date	4,411,080.00	22-0789 UNITED WAY ONE SECOND COLLABORATIVE
Allocations Approved To-Date	8,000,000.00	22-0789 DEEPLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING INFRASTRUCTURE & DRAINAGE

Allocations Approved To-Date	1,500,000.00	22-0789 FORT WORTH ZOO ROAD REPAIR, EROSION CONTROL, BROADBAND
Allocations Approved To-Date	200,000.00	22-0789 TX WESLEYAN ON-CAMPUS PUBLIC UTILITY RELOCATION
Allocations Approved To-Date	1,925,000.00	22-0789 WILL ROGERS MC AIR HANDLER REPLACEMENT
Allocations Approved To-Date	5,950,000.00	22-0789 WILL ROGERS MC CONCOURSE, LOBBY AND RESTROOM UPDATES
Allocations Approved To-Date	2,000,000.00	23-0284 ARPA FWTC INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP
Allocations Approved To-Date	\$50,000.00	23-0518 60WSTAMUS ILA
Allocations Approved To-Date	\$100,000.00	23-0609 ARPA_CENTRAL_MULTIMODAL_MOBILITY_HUB
Reclaimed Allocations	-4,216,902.00	23-0609 ARPA_CENTRAL_MULTIMODAL_MOBILITY_HUB
Allocations Approved To-Date	4,500,000.00	23-0925 RFP 22-0146 BROADBAND ENHANCEMENTS CH CITY
Allocations Approved To-Date	596,275.00	24-0180 WSTAMUS-MCO
Allocations Approved To-Date	515,000.00	24-0458 2020INT IMPROV N. BEACH ST/WESTERN CENTER BLVD APPROPRIATION
Reclaimed Allocations	-5,207,163.00	24-0459 13UPDATE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ALLOCATIONS
Allocations Approved To-Date	2,020,500.00	24-0496 21MEADOWBROOK GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE FACILITY
Allocations Approved To-Date	1,000,000.00	24-0567 20INTERMODAL PKWY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
Allocations Approved		24-0781 20ARPA NON-REV TRANSPORTATION ALLOCATIONS

To-Date		
Reclaimed Allocations	-1,288,733.00	24-0807 13ARPA COBB PARK RECLAIM AND IMPACT FEE ALLOCATIONS
Allocations Approved To-Date	1,504,959.00	24-0896 2020ARPA NON-REV TRANSPORTATION ALLOCATIONS
Allocations Approved To-Date	567,000.00	24-0920 04ARPA_NEIGHBORHOOD_WIFI_AND_INFRASTRUCTURE
Allocations Approved To-Date	1,035,000.00	24-1142 80SECURITY LIGHTING IMP AT 21 PARK SITES
Allocations Approved To-Date	183.00	24-1036 04ARPA_INFRASTRUCTURE_AMEND
Reclaimed Allocations	0.00	04ARPA ITS INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM -WINDOWS
Reclaimed Allocations	0.00	19CHILD CARE ASSOCIATES ARPA ALLOCATION (This M&C)
	\$0.00	Unallocated Balance

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are currently available in the American Rescue Plan Act project within the Grants Operating Federal Fund and the ARPA HH Park Rd/Prking Improv project within the Grants Cap Projects Federal Fund, and upon approval of the above recommendation, funds will be available in the Grants Operating Federal Fund for the Child Care Associate's Early Childhood Learning Facility. Prior to any expenditures being incurred, the Neighborhood Services Department shall be responsible for ensuring funds are available and that only expenditures allowable under the American Rescue Plan Act are charged to the ARPA funding source.

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