# COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

# **Pinellas County**

# Staff Report

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## Subject:

Resolution to supplement the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget in various funds for unanticipated revenue from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, and the Tampa Bay Resiliency Fund.

#### **Recommended Action:**

Adoption of a resolution supplementing the Fiscal Year 2020 (FY20) Budget for unanticipated revenue from the CARES Act, the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, and the Tampa Bay Resiliency Fund.

- A total increase of \$170,857,650.00 in the General Fund:
  - \$170,129,280.00 to be used for necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency. These funds will be used to support the Pinellas CARES Financial Assistance and Pinellas CARES Small Business Grant programs approved by the Board on April 28, 2020.
  - \$684,870.00 for Healthcare for the Homeless. The specific use of these funds has not yet been determined.
  - \$43,500.00 from the Tampa Bay Resiliency Fund for food and incidentals, van cleaning supplies, and vehicle modifications.
- An increase of \$1,605,760.00 in the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund to support healthcare-related expenses or lost revenue attributable to COVID-19.
- A total increase of \$2,221,090.00 in the Community Development Grant Fund:
  - \$1,481,970.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to provide services for senior citizens and the homeless, and public health services.
  - \$739,120.00 in Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program funds to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the pandemic's impact on individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance.

#### Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety and Welfare

- 2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community
- 2.2 Be a facilitator, convene and purchaser of services for those in need

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and our Customers

- 5.1 Maximize partner relationship and public outreach
- 5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources
- 5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of County services and support

#### **Summary:**

This resolution recognizes and appropriates unanticipated revenue in the FY20 Budget for the

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General Fund, EMS Fund, and the Community Development Grant Fund. Funding is received from the CARES Act, the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, and the Tampa Bay Resiliency Fund. The revenue supports expenditures not anticipated in the development of the FY20 Budget.

The resolution does not include an \$8.7M CARES Act grant allocated for the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The FAA administered grants will support airports experiencing severe economic disruption caused by the pandemic. The primary purpose of this funding is to help replace lost revenue and support safe airport operations, retroactive to when travel began declining in January 2020. As the Airport's FY20 budget was adopted with revenue and expenditures at a level supporting full operations, a budget amendment is not needed at this time. Airports have four (4) years to use the grant funds, which gives the County time to monitor and assess the financial impact for budget management.

## **Background Information:**

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic to be of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration for all states. Before and since the declaration, the US Congress has passed four federal acts to provide supplemental appropriations and support nationwide response to the pandemic. First was the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, followed by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), and the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act.

The CARES Act is the source for most of the additional federal funding allocated to the County thus far, with the state and local direct relief package accounting for \$170,129,280.00 of the total funding. The CARES Act also provided designated funding that is included in this appropriation for Human Services (\$626,260.00), Emergency Medical Services (\$1,605,760.00), and Community Development (\$2,221,090.00). Funding for the Human Services Department includes \$58,610.00 from the first federal Supplemental Appropriations Act and a local grant of \$43,500.00 from the Tampa Bay Resiliency Fund.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

Approval of this resolution recognizes revenue and increases the FY20 Budget appropriation accordingly in each fund: \$170,857,650.00 in the General Fund; \$1,605,760.00 in the EMS Fund; and \$2,221,090.00 in the Community Development Grant Fund.

# Staff Member Responsible:

Bill Berger, Director, Office of Management and Budget

#### Partners:

US Treasury Department
US Department of Health and Human Services
US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Tampa Bay Resiliency collaborative funding group

#### Attachments:

FINAL-FINAL-CARES-ACT
COVID-19 Omnibus Resolution AATF

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