

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-062

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ALLOW THE BUDGET & FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO CREATE A NEW GENERAL LEDGER FUND FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDING CALLED THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND #138, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 as set forth in 31 CFR Part 35 is a 1.9 trillion economic COVID-19 stimulus package signed into law on March 11, 2021. ARPA provides additional relief to address the continued impact of COVID-19 on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, this package, \$350 billion in additional funding is being provided to state and local governments, as well as additional funding for other areas including, but not limited to, education, rental assistance and transit; and

WHEREAS, the City will receive funding directly from the federal government for use as a result of COVID-19's impact on the economy; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Treasury Department continues to provide guidance with the allowed uses of the funding and the City will comply with all federal and state guidance, regulation and laws for reimbursement, reallocation and other accounting of the funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. That the Budget and Finance Director is directed to create a new fund called "Local Fiscal Recovery Fund #138 to deposit the City's share of ARPA funding available for costs incurred through December 31, 2024.

SECTION 2. That the Budget and Finance Direct is directed to allocate the funds so as to comply with all federal and state guidance, regulation and laws for reimbursement, reallocation and other accounting of such funds.

SECTION 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

PASSED:

June 16, 2021
Date

J. Fiala
Jerry T. Fiala
Mayor and President of Council

EFFECTIVE: June 16, 2021
Date

ATTEST: Amy Wilkens
Amy Wilkens
Clerk of Council

I, AMY WILKENS, CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF KENT, COUNTY OF PORTAGE, AND STATE OF OHIO, AND IN WHOSE CUSTODY THE ORIGINAL FILES AND RECORDS OF SAID COUNCIL ARE REQUIRED TO BE KEPT BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF ORDINANCE No. 2021-062, ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT ON June 16, 2021.

(SEAL)

Amy Wilkens
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CLERK OF COUNCIL