



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

January 6, 2022

President Pro Tempore Linda M. Morad and
Honorable Members of the City Council
133 William St.
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear President Pro Tempore Morad and Honorable Members:

On November 30, 2021, I sent by e-mail to former Council President Lopes a proposed spending outline for the City's total \$81.4 million allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, which the Council reviewed at its December 13th Finance Committee meeting. As you are aware, the City's funding allocation is comprised of two components—\$64.7 million in direct federal funding from the U.S. Department of the Treasury and \$16.7 million which is New Bedford's per capita share of Bristol County's ARPA allocation.

You already have before you for consideration an Order to accept the City's direct federal ARPA grant. Attached for your consideration is a similar Order to accept the City of New Bedford's portion of Bristol County's ARPA grant funds. I respectfully request that the body act upon both orders at its earliest opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell
JFM/crc



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CITY COUNCIL

January 13, 2022

Ordered, that the City Council agrees to the terms and conditions in the proposed "Grant Agreement (ARPA)" between Bristol County and the City of New Bedford and authorizes members of the City Council to execute said grant agreement. Further, pursuant to the requirements of General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53A, the City Council approves the expenditure of funds to be received by the City pursuant to said grant agreement, which funds shall be spent solely for the purposes authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act.