

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 22-03**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA, REGARDING THE TOWN'S PRIORITIZATION OF USES OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Florida Statutes provide that municipalities shall have the governmental, corporate, and proprietary powers to enable them to conduct municipal government, perform municipal functions, and render municipal service, and exercise any power for municipal purposes, except when expressly prohibited by law; and

**WHEREAS**, Article X of the Town Charter of the Town of Fort Myers Beach ("Town") empowers the Town to adopt, amend, or repeal such ordinances and resolutions as may be required for the proper governing of the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, Congress adopted the American Rescue Plan Act in March of 2021 (ARPA) which included \$65 billion in recovery funds for cities across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, ARPA funds are intended to provide support to state, local and tribal governments in responding to the impact of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Fort Myers Beach is scheduled to receive a total of \$3,553,05, in ARPA funding in two tranches; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has received the first tranche of ARPA funds from the United States Treasury in the amount of \$1,776,528; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council deems it in the best interest of the Town to prioritize use of the ARPA funds for any loss of general fund revenues due to the effects of COVID-19, water and stormwater exclusively at Bay Oaks Recreational Campus, Times Square and Bayside Park, and Town wide potable water projects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein and are hereby adopted as the legislative and administrative findings of the Town Council.

Section 2. This Resolution memorializes and ratifies the decision of the Town Council, as discussed at the January 13, 2022 Management and Planning Session.

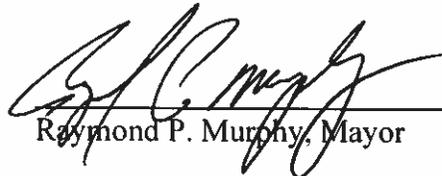
Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Town Council upon a motion by Vice Mayor Hosafros and seconded by Council Member Atterholt, and upon being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

Raymond P. Murphy, Mayor	aye
Rexann Hosafros, Vice Mayor	aye
Dan Allers, Council Member	aye
Bill Veach, Council Member	aye
Jim Atterholt, Council Member	aye

ADOPTED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022 by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida.

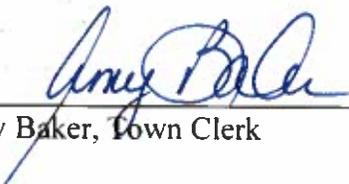
**TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH**




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Raymond P. Murphy, Mayor

**ATTEST:**




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Amy Baker, Town Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH ONLY:**




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Victor Sanabria, Acting Town Attorney

This Resolution was filed in the Office of the Town Clerk on this 24 day January 2022.