



City Hall remains closed during Governor Inslee's "WA Roadmap to Recovery" order, a consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Finance & Personnel Committee was held virtually via Zoom. The public was invited to attend the meeting virtually or telephonically using the call-in instructions in the published agenda.

Members Present: Kathy Hayden, Cindi Hochstatter, Patrick Reed (Chair)

Others Present: Barbara Bitetto who observed only.

Staff Present: City Administrator Jason Wilson, Administrative Services Director (ASD) Jeff Steffens, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Kassandra Raymond

The meeting convened at 6:02 p.m. via Zoom.

Committee Business

Committee Chair: Councilmember Reed was unanimously selected to be the committee chair.

Meeting Schedule: The Committee chose to hold meetings on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm starting August 3, 2021. The July meeting date falls on a regular council meeting, therefore the ARPA committee meeting will be held a week earlier on June 29th. Additional meetings will be scheduled as necessary.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Review: City Administrator Wilson provided an overview of the interim rules provided by the US Treasury Department. Wilson also discussed the 1.27B of ARPA funding coming into Pierce County (294.2M to governments and an additional 985M to other providers), as well as Pierce County's initial spending plan. *Informational only, no Committee action required at this time.*

ARPA Options-Discussion: Committee members discussed their priorities for use of ARPA funds including addressing City response and facility needs. Committee members asked staff to return with additional information on how other ARPA funds will be distributed, with the goal of not duplicating other funding sources. The Committee discussed their willingness to consider partnerships with other government entities in order to leverage or maximize positive impact of the funds. The committee asked for staff to bring back proposals related to needed facility improvements to meet COVID-19 operations, information on utility arrearages, communications and engagement strategies, project staffing needs, and any new information on Pierce County fund availability or other ARPA programs.

With no further items, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Prepared by City Administrator Jason Wilson