

BOARD BILL NUMBER 2 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE: INTRODUCED BY _____

1 An Ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and
2 authorizing the Mayor, or her designees, to apply for and accept funds pursuant to Federal
3 appropriations under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2, § 9901 (March
4 11, 2021) (ARPA), directing the Comptroller to establish a new account for the receipt of funds
5 to the extent received, appropriating certain expenditures of such funds to the extent received;
6 authorizing contracts and intergovernmental agreements and to expend the funds, to the extent
7 received; containing a severability clause; and containing an emergency clause.

8 **WHEREAS**, the City has received Two Hundred Forty-Nine Million Thirty-Eight
9 Thousand Twenty-Seven Dollars (\$249,038,027.00) from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery
10 Fund (the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) appropriated in ARPA;

11 **WHEREAS**, the City has applied for and anticipates receipt of Twelve Million Four
12 Hundred Forty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Eight and 20/100ths Dollars
13 (\$12,441,998.20) in Emergency Rental Assistance Program Funds from the Federal Government
14 appropriated in ARPA (the ERA-2 Funds);

15 **WHEREAS**, the Federal Government has issued interim guidance for the 2021
16 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and the ERA-2 Funds, and the Federal Government
17 may issue additional guidance on the use of such relief funding in the future;

18 **WHEREAS**, the use of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and ERA-2
19 Funds must adhere to Federal guidance that has been and will be issued and the City's associated
20 requirements;

21 **WHEREAS**, 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds may be used "(A) to
22 respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-
23 19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and

1 nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality; (B) to respond to
2 workers performing essential work during the COVID–19 public health emergency by providing
3 premium pay to eligible workers of the metropolitan city, nonentitlement unit of local
4 government, or county that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible
5 employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work; (C) for the provision of
6 government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such metropolitan city,
7 nonentitlement unit of local government, or county due to the COVID–19 public health
8 emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the metropolitan
9 city, nonentitlement unit of local government, or county prior to the emergency; or (D) to make
10 necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure”; and

11 **WHEREAS**, there is an immediate and urgent need to meet the public health, economic,
12 and public safety crises as quickly and effectively as possible.

13 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

14 **SECTION ONE.** The City, by and through the Mayor, or her designees, is hereby
15 authorized to apply for and accept the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and the
16 ERA-2 Funds to the full extent authorized under ARPA.

17 **SECTION TWO.** The Comptroller of the City of St. Louis is hereby authorized and
18 directed to establish an account labelled the Rescue Fund, in which shall be deposited the 2021
19 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and the ERA-2 Funds. All monies received hereby
20 shall be deposited in the Rescue Fund upon receipt, in accordance with federal law and
21 regulations. The City shall utilize and spend the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

1 and the ERA-2 Funds for certain purposes substantially in accordance with **Exhibit A**, which is
2 attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3 **SECTION THREE.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of Twenty-Two Million
4 Eight Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Million Dollars (\$22,886,370.00)
5 of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the Department of Human Services.
6 The Director of the Department of Human Services or her designee is hereby authorized to make,
7 negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend
8 such funds, and to expend such funds on behalf of the City for the purposes described on Exhibit
9 A. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for
10 payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such warrants do not exceed
11 the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

12 **SECTION FOUR.** There are hereby appropriated Twelve Million Four Hundred Forty-
13 One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Eight and 20/100ths Dollars (\$12,441,998.20) of the ERA-
14 2 Funds (to the extent received) to the Department of Human Services. The Director of the
15 Department of Human Services or her designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and
16 execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds, and
17 to expend such funds (to the extent received) on behalf of the City for the purposes described on
18 Exhibit A. The Director of the Department of Human Services is authorized to execute on behalf
19 of the City an intergovernmental cooperation agreement (the SLHA Cooperation Agreement)
20 with the St. Louis Housing Authority (SLHA) pursuant to which the City shall transfer up to the
21 total sum of ERA-2 Funds to SLHA for disbursement to eligible recipients and which will
22 require SLHA to: provide and support the online portal for intake of applications by City

1 residents for rental and utility assistance funds; provide technical assistance to the City, City
2 contractors/subrecipients, and applicants in the use of the online application portal and the
3 distribution of funds; monitor financial transactions originated through the portal; provide
4 quarterly reporting to the City on applications submitted, applications approved, and
5 disbursements made; and comply with recordkeeping and other requirements for 2021
6 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and ERA-2 Funds, as applicable, and all applicable
7 City, State, and Federal laws and regulations. The SLHA Cooperation Agreement shall contain
8 such other terms and conditions as are approved by the City Counselor and shall require approval
9 of the Board of Commissioners of the SLHA prior to execution. The Comptroller is authorized
10 and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment of all expenditures and
11 transfers authorized in this Section, to the extent funds are received, provided that such warrants
12 do not exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

13 **SECTION FIVE.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of Five Million Six Hundred
14 Thousand Dollars (\$5,600,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the
15 Affordable Housing Commission. The Executive Director of the Affordable Housing
16 Commission or her designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and execute any and all
17 contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds, and to expend such
18 funds on behalf of the City for the purposes described on Exhibit A. The Comptroller is
19 authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment of all expenditures
20 authorized in this Section provided that such warrants do not exceed the total amount of funds
21 appropriated by this Section.

1 **SECTION SIX.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of Four Million One Hundred
2 Thousand Dollars (\$4,100,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the
3 St. Louis Development Corporation. The Executive Director of the St. Louis Development
4 Corporation or his designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and execute any and all
5 contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds and to expend such
6 funds on behalf of the City for the purposes described on Exhibit A. The Comptroller is
7 authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment of all expenditures
8 authorized in this Section provided that such warrants do not exceed the total amount of funds
9 appropriated by this Section.

10 **SECTION SEVEN.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of Two Million Dollars
11 (\$2,000,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the Office of the
12 President of the Board of Public Service. The President of the President of the Board of Public
13 Service or his or her designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and execute any and all
14 contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds, and to expend such
15 funds on behalf of the City for the purposes described on Exhibit A. The Comptroller is
16 authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment of all expenditures
17 authorized in this Section provided that such warrants to not exceed the total amount of funds
18 appropriated by this Section.

19 **SECTION EIGHT.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of Eleven Million Two
20 Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$11,250,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal
21 Recovery Funds to the Department of Health. The Director of the Department of Health or his or
22 her designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other

1 documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds and to expend such funds on behalf of the
2 City for the purposes described on Exhibit A. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to
3 issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section
4 provided that such warrants do not exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

5 **SECTION NINE.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of Four Million Nine Hundred
6 Thousand Dollars (\$4,900,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the
7 St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE). The Director of SLATE or his
8 designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other
9 documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds, and to expend such funds on behalf of the
10 City for the purposes described on Exhibit A. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to
11 issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section
12 provided that such warrants do not exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

13 **SECTION TEN.** There are hereby appropriated Seven Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand
14 Fifty Dollars (\$762,050.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the
15 Information Technology Services Agency. The Director of ITSA or her designee is hereby
16 authorized to make, negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of
17 the City to expend such funds, and to expend such funds on behalf of the City for the purposes
18 described on Exhibit A. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the
19 City Treasury for payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such
20 warrants do not exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

21 **SECTION ELEVEN.** There are hereby appropriated One Million One Hundred
22 Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,125,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery

1 Funds to the Office of the Mayor. The Mayor or her designee is hereby authorized to make,
2 negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend
3 such funds, and to expend such funds on behalf of the City for the purposes described on Exhibit
4 A. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for
5 payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such warrants do not exceed
6 the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

7 **SECTION TWELVE.** There are hereby appropriated Three Hundred Thousand Dollars
8 (\$300,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the Office of the
9 Comptroller. The Comptroller or her designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and
10 execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds, and
11 to expend such funds on behalf of the City for the purposes described on Exhibit A. The
12 Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment of
13 all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such warrants do not exceed the total
14 amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

15 **SECTION THIRTEEN.** There are hereby appropriated Five Million Dollars
16 (\$5,000,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the Office of the
17 Treasurer. The Treasurer or his designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and execute
18 any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds, and to
19 expend such funds on behalf of the City for the purposes described on Exhibit A. The
20 Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment of
21 all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such warrants do not exceed the total
22 amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

1 **SECTION FOURTEEN.** There are hereby appropriated One Million Dollars
2 (\$1,000,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the Planning and
3 Design Agency. The Director of the Planning and Design Agency or his designee is hereby
4 authorized to make, negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of
5 the City to expend such funds, and to expend such funds on behalf of the City for the purposes
6 described on Exhibit A. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the
7 City Treasury for payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such
8 warrants do not exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

9 **SECTION FIFTEEN.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of One Million Six
10 Hundred Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,614,100.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus
11 Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry. The Director
12 of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry or his designee is hereby authorized to
13 make, negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to
14 expend such funds, and to expend such funds on behalf of the City for the purposes described on
15 Exhibit A. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury
16 for payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such warrants do not
17 exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

18 **SECTION SIXTEEN.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of Seven Million Dollars
19 (\$7,000,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the Community
20 Development Administration. The Director of the Community Development Administration or
21 his designee is hereby authorized to make, negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other
22 documents on behalf of the City to expend such funds, and to expend such funds on behalf of the

1 City for the purposes described on Exhibit A. The Executive Director of the Community
2 Development Administration or his designee is authorized to execute on behalf of the City two
3 intergovernmental cooperation agreements (the SLMHB Cooperation Agreements) with the St.
4 Louis Mental Health Board (SLMHB) pursuant to which the City shall transfer up to Two
5 Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) to SLMHB to support providers of early childhood education
6 and childcare, and up to One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) to SLMHB
7 to support providers of direct support care work as shown on Exhibit A. The SLMHB
8 Cooperation Agreements shall require SLMHB to comply with recordkeeping and other
9 requirements of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Assistance Fund program and all
10 applicable City, State, and Federal laws and regulations; and acknowledge and agree that funding
11 for the SLMHB Cooperation Agreement is limited to funds appropriated in this Section. The
12 SLMHB Cooperation Agreement shall contain such other terms and conditions as are approved
13 by the City Counselor and shall require approval of the Board of Trustees of the SLMHB prior to
14 execution. The Executive Director of the Community Development Administration or his
15 designee is authorized to execute on behalf of the City an intergovernmental cooperation
16 agreement (the SLPL Cooperation Agreement) with the City of St. Louis Municipal Library
17 District (SLPL) pursuant to which the City shall transfer up to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand
18 Dollars (\$250,000.00) to SLPL for digital literacy education and community outreach programs
19 as shown on Exhibit A. The SLPL Cooperation Agreement shall require SLPL to comply with
20 recordkeeping and other requirements of the Coronavirus Local Recovery Assistance Fund
21 program and all applicable City, State, and Federal laws and regulations; and acknowledge and
22 agree that funding for the SLPL Cooperation Agreement is limited to these appropriated funds.

1 The SLPL Cooperation Agreement shall contain such other terms and conditions as are approved
2 by the City Counselor and shall require approval of the Board of Directors of SLPL prior to
3 execution by the City. The Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City
4 Treasury for payment of all expenditures authorized in this Section provided that such warrants
5 do not exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by this Section.

6 **SECTION SEVENTEEN.** There are hereby appropriated One Million Four Hundred
7 Thousand Dollars (\$1,400,000.00) of the 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds as
8 contingency funds for any of the types of expenditures authorized in Sections Three through
9 Sixteen above including additional administrative support costs for any of the programs listed in
10 Exhibit A (the Contingency Funds). The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is authorized to
11 allocate the Contingency Funds and to reallocate 2021 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
12 appropriated in Sections Three through Sixteen above for the purposes described on Exhibit A,
13 and the Comptroller is authorized to issue warrants for the use of such Contingency Funds and
14 reallocated funds provided that such warrants do not exceed the total amount of 2021
15 Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

16 **SECTION EIGHTEEN.** Severability Clause. It is hereby declared to be the intention of
17 the Board of Aldermen that each and every part, section and subsection of this Ordinance shall
18 be separate and severable from each and every other part, section and subsection hereof and that
19 the Board of Aldermen intends to adopt each said part, section and subsection separately and
20 independently of any other part, section and subsection. In the event that any part, section or
21 subsection of this Ordinance shall be determined to be or to have been unlawful or
22 unconstitutional, the remaining parts, sections and subsections shall be and remain in full force

1 and effect, unless the court making such finding shall determine that the valid portions standing
2 alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accord with the legislative intent.

3 **SECTION NINETEEN.** Emergency Clause. Delay in receipt and appropriation of these
4 monies will increase threats to the public health and welfare by causing delay in responding to
5 the fiscal and other impacts caused by the COVID-19 crisis. This being an ordinance
6 appropriated for emergency funding for current expenses of the City government, it is hereby
7 declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of
8 the Charter of the City of St. Louis and shall become effective immediately upon its passage and
9 approval by the Mayor.