RESOLUTION NO. 21-342

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO CLASSIFY AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS AS REVENUE LOSS AND USE A PORTION OF THOSE FUNDS TO REPLACE REVENUE LOST BETWEEN MARCH AND DECEMBER OF 2020

WHEREAS, the City has been awarded approximately $24.8 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds;

WHEREAS, it has been determined that best practice is to have ARPA expenditures approved by Council;

WHEREAS, One of the four approved spending categories for ARPA funds is "For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency";

WHEREAS, from the ARPA Interim Final Rule: "For purpose of measuring revenue growth in the counterfactual trend, recipients may use a growth adjustment of either 4.1 percent per year or the recipient's average annual revenue growth over the three full fiscal years prior to the COVID-19 public health emergency, whichever is higher";

WHEREAS, the City of Council Bluffs Finance Department staff have run the calculations and it is most advantageous for the City to use the allowed 4.1% rather than the City's actual growth percentage;

WHEREAS, funds obligated under Revenue Loss are allowed for more uses than the other ARPA funds, so the full amount allowed should be obligated to Revenue Loss.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

That the Finance Director is hereby authorized to obligate $11,108,208.00 of ARPA funds toward Revenue Loss and use $3,457,874.00 of those funds to replace revenue lost in 2020.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED November 22, 2021

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Matthew J. Walsh, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jodi Quakenbush, City Clerk