



Internal Memo

June 18, 2020

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mark C. Meyers, City Administrator *MCM*

SUBJECT: General Information Packet

Attached are general items of information you may find interesting. If you have any questions or comments regarding the information, please contact me.

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Attachments

Mark Meyers

From: Inside 208 <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 5:46 PM
To: Mark Meyers
Subject: [New post] CARES Act Spending Agreement Reached

Chris Hackbarth posted: "The Whitmer Administration and House and Senate leadership came to an apparent agreement this afternoon to begin spending the state's allocation of federal CARES Act stimulus funding. Senate Bill 690 had originally passed the Senate with approximately \$6"

New post on Inside 208



[CARES Act Spending Agreement Reached](#) by [Chris Hackbarth](#)

The Whitmer Administration and House and Senate leadership came to an apparent agreement this afternoon to begin spending the [state's allocation of federal CARES Act](#) stimulus funding. [Senate Bill 690](#) had originally passed the Senate with approximately \$600 million in spending from the roughly \$3 billion dollars that the state of Michigan was allocated earlier this year. The House Appropriations committee had proposed spending approximately \$1.2 billion from those federal dollars when they moved the bill out of that committee two weeks ago. Both the Senate and House versions included \$100 million in first responder hazard pay premiums for use by local units of government. Following the House committee action, both legislative leaders and the Governor engaged in negotiations to come to an agreement on how to begin spending the state's federal funding.

On Wednesday afternoon, the full House voted unanimously to send a substitute version of [SB 690 H-3](#) back to the Senate for concurrence. Following significant lobbying by the League, this new agreement provides substantial funding opportunities for local units of government and residents:

Water Utility Assistance

Includes \$25.0 million for the department to reimburse water utility providers for providing bill forgiveness for arrearages and fees incurred by residential water customers during the COVID-19 state of emergency and for providing a 25% discount on the total water bill for eligible customers through the end of December 2020. Reimbursement for each arrearage would be capped at \$700.	Gross	\$25,000,000
	Federal	25,000,000
	GF/GP	\$0

First Responder Hazard Pay Premiums

Includes \$100.0 million for the payment or reimbursement of first responder hazard pay premiums provided to first responders who performed hazardous duty or work related to COVID-19. First responders would include law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, 9-1-1 operators, local unit of government corrections officers, airport public safety officers, and eligible personnel associated with ambulance operations. No more than \$5.0 million would be awarded to any applicant, and the maximum reimbursement amount would be capped at \$1,000 per eligible first responder.

Gross	\$100,000,000
Federal	100,000,000
GF/GP	\$0

Local Units of Government

Includes \$200.0 million for reimbursing counties, cities, villages, and townships for eligible public safety and public health payroll expenditures under the federal CARES Act, Public Law 116-136.

Gross	\$200,000,000
Federal	200,000,000
GF/GP	\$0

Rental Assistance

Includes \$60.0 million for the department to work with DHHS, the Judiciary, local community action agencies, and legal aid organizations to create a rental assistance program. Funding would be allocated as follows: not more than \$4.0 million to legal aid organizations for legal services; not more than \$4.0 million to local community action agencies for program case management staff and related costs; not more than \$2.0 million for department administrative costs and to support a public awareness campaign; and remaining funding to pay for rent arrearages and rent subsidies to minimize evictions.

Gross	\$60,000,000
Federal	60,000,000
GF/GP	\$0

To access the \$200 million of public safety and public health payroll reimbursement, local units of government will be required to report to the Department of Treasury by July 17, 2020, their eligible public safety and public health payroll expenses for the months of April and May 2020. The Department is

required to issue eligible payroll reimbursements by September 18, 2020 on a proportional basis if eligible submissions exceed the \$200 million appropriation. If the reimbursement requests are less than the \$200 million allocation, Treasury is instructed to offer a second round of reimbursements utilizing eligible public safety and public health payroll expenses for the months of June and July 2020.

The bill now returns to the Senate for a final vote before moving to the Governor for her signature.

Chris Hackbarth is the League's director of state & federal affairs. He can be reached at 517-908-0304 and chackbarth@mml.org.

[Chris Hackbarth](#) | June 17, 2020 at 5:44 pm | URL: <https://wp.me/p3wSLH-1Vd>

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Internal Memo

June 16, 2020

TO: Mark C. Meyers, City Administrator

FROM: Shelly Stibitz, City Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Shelly Stibitz".

SUBJECT: Election Equipment Grant

The State released a 50% grant match to purchase one additional scanner or up to \$30,000 to purchase a high-speed scanner to count increased numbers of absentee ballots. I've been researching high-speed scanners and received a quote from Hart InterCivic, the vendor chosen by Muskegon County, that is cost prohibitive at \$95,000 and \$16,000 in annual service and maintenance fees.

In addition to precinct scanners, the City has three AV scanners and one backup scanner. Absent voting turnout more than doubled in May and we used all four scanners. The increase in absentee voting is projected going forward and I expect our Absentee County Board to count at least as many ballots as they did in May and will have to, again, use all four machines. This leaves us without a backup machine which we did need during a previous election when a precinct scanner wouldn't power up. To accommodate the increase in absentee voting and have a machine available in case of an emergency situation, I am requesting a revision to the FY21 Capital Improvement Program budget to purchase one new scanner with a 50% grant match.

The cost for one scanner and flash card with service and maintenance in years 1 – 5 is \$5,545.00 with a local match of \$2,772.50 (quote attached). The City would be responsible for the purchase of a new modem, approximately \$100, and agree to the service and maintenance fee of \$564.00 in years 6 – 10. Timing is critical as the grant application deadline is June 30 and the funds will be distributed among all jurisdictions in Michigan on a first come first serve basis.

I am available to answer any questions you may have.

Attachment

c: Anthony Chandler, Director of Administrative Services



Quote Number 00007141
 Account Name Norton Shores, MI
 Grand Total \$11,090.00

Item	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Verity Scan	Digital ballot scanner with remote transmission capability	\$5,500.00	2	\$11,000.00
vDrive	Flash memory card/audio card for use with Verity devices	\$45.00	2	\$90.00
Subtotal				\$11,090.00
Grand Total				\$11,090.00

Annual Service and Maintenance (Years 6-10)

Item	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Service and Maintenance - Verity Scan	Annual Service and Maintenance fee for Verity Scan in years 6-10	\$564.00	2	\$1,128.00

Proposed Annual Service & Maintenance \$1,128.00
 Total Years 6-10 \$5,640.00

Bill To 4814 Henry St.
 Norton Shores, MI 49441

Ship To 4814 Henry St.
 Norton Shores, MI 49441

Customer Contact

Contact Name Shelly Stibitz

Email sstibitz@nortonshores.org

Phone (231) 798-4391 EXT 1355

General Information

Expiration Date 7/12/2020

Instructions Please fax with signature to or scan and email to kclakeley@hartic.com to order.

Payment Terms Net 30

Terms and Conditions

Pricing subject to inventory availability at time of quote execution and acceptance.
 Taxes will be calculated in conjunction with the Customer based on the final approved price list.

Hart Approval

Prepared By Karen Clakeley

Title Director, Strategic Accounts

Signature

Customer Approval

Name: _____

Title: _____

Customer Approval: _____

Date: _____