

BARNSTABLE COUNTY
In the Year Two Thousand Twenty-Two
Proposed Ordinance 22-29

Whereas, the Assembly of Delegates and the Board of Regional Commissioners wish to work cooperatively and in an efficient manner to distribute the ARPA funds to eligible recipients for worthwhile projects; and

Whereas, Barnstable County has received \$41,370,811 million dollars in grant funds from the United States Department of the Treasury under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), signed on March 3, 2021; and

Whereas, in March 2022 the Board of Regional Commissioners (“County Commissioners”) appointed an ARPA Advisory Committee to advise the County Commissioners and Assembly of Delegates on regional funding priorities, recommend criteria to identify projects of regional impact for funding, and identify eligible entities to apply for funding; and

Whereas, the ARPA Advisory Committee voted on October 13, 2022 on recommendations made by the County Administration, wherein \$12,800,000 million in ARPA funding be allocated to designated County departments and programs of Barnstable County Regional Government; and

Whereas, the ARPA Advisory Committee and County Administration wish to submit these recommendations to the County Commissioners for funding.

The Cape Cod regional government, known as Barnstable County, hereby ordains:

Section 1.

Allocation of ARPA Funds for Recommended County ARPA Projects

1.a. An amount not to exceed \$ 12,800,000 million dollars shall be allocated to County projects, recommended by the ARPA Advisory Committee and approved by the County Commissioners.

1.b. Eligible applicants for County ARPA projects are departments and programs that are part of Barnstable County government.

1.c. Said funds are to be expended only for purposes and in the ways set forth in the U.S. Department of the Treasury Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: Interim and Final Rule (published 1/6/22), or any subsequent directives issued.

1.d. All applications for funding must be made through the online Barnstable County ARPA Application Portal (arpa.barnstablecounty.org).

Introduced by the Board of Regional Commissioners at a meeting of Assembly of Delegates on November 2, 2022.