



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS  
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 04/06/2021

ITEM NO: 13

ADDENDUM

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DATE: April 2, 2021  
TO: Mayor and Town Council  
FROM: Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager  
SUBJECT: Provide Direction for the Following Potential Uses of the American Rescue Plan Act Funds Earmarked for Los Gatos and that any unprogrammed funds should be allocated to the Economic Recovery Fund account:

1. Utilize approximately \$3.2 million to replace lost revenue sufficient to balance the FY 2020/21 and FY 2021/22 budgets.
2. Utilize \$60,000 to provide additional \$15,000 grants to West Valley Community Services, Counseling and Support Services for Youth (CASSY), Next Door Solutions, and Live Oak Senior Nutrition.
3. Utilize \$250,000 to provide additional support to the Parklet grant program.
4. Utilize \$180,000 to provide a 50% waiver of rent and utilities for the Town of Los Gatos lessees New Museum of Los Gatos (NUMU), Friends of the Library, Billy Jones Railroad, Soccer and Little Leagues, and Los Gatos-Saratoga Community Education and Recreation (LGS Rec) for FY 2021/22.
5. Utilize \$50,000 for continued Conditional Use Permit 50% subsidies.
6. Other Council considerations consistent with eligible uses.

**REMARKS:**

Attachment 2 contains public comments received before 11:01 a.m. Friday, April 2, 2021.

**Attachment received with the Staff Report:**

1. Public Comments received before 11:01 a.m. Thursday, April 1, 2021.

**Attachment received with this Addendum:**

2. Public Comments received before 11:01 a.m. Friday, April 2, 2021.

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**From:** Jim Foley  
**To:** Council; Clerk  
**Cc:** Catherine Somers; Randi Chen; Monica Renn; Sue Farwell; Joe Pirzynski; Andrea Romano; Brian Bernasconi; Kevin Youkilis  
**Subject:** American Rescue Act Funds - Suggested Uses  
**Date:** Thursday, April 1, 2021 11:27:35 AM

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Dear Honorable Mayor and Distinguished Members of Town Council,

The Chamber Board has reviewed possible uses for the American Recovery Plan Act funds that Los Gatos will receive in the next 60 days. While we understand there are many ideas that will be brought forth by the Town staff and other stakeholders and members of the public, we encourage the Council to think seriously about using some of the money for real economic recovery and vitality projects for our downtown, as vetted by the business community represented by our membership.

We propose the following efforts:

1. **Parklets - \$1MM** - complete funding for all costs to construct semi-permanent parklets, including reimbursing the original five previously constructed semi-permanent parklets in full. Also, reimbursing a certain amount for the temporary parklets.
2. **Events - \$250k** – budget to catch up on events the Town has missed. The events would scale up along with the restrictions. Starting with smaller “non gathering” events including Thursday street closure, then move to smaller block parties, then finally to something significant in the Fall. Efforts will be in place to ensure that events are welcoming and inclusive of all.
3. **Parking - TBD** – Funding should be readily available to quickly implement all aspects of the Dixon study. Funds can be used right now for wayfinding signage and apps; even if only temporarily. Funds can also be considered for an Employee Parking Permit program and potentially an employee mini-shuttle (golf cart or small electric vehicle). The mini-shuttle could potentially be expanded to assist visitors as well. This will help unlock the underutilized parking inventory in the outer lying lots as pointed out in the Dixon study. This is critical in conjunction with the reduction of inventory on N Santa Cruz Ave and Main St that will result from the new parklets. Lastly, a Town Trolley pilot program to move people around Town to encourage and connect different dining and shopping districts more easily, in a fun and memorable way!

Thank you so much for your time and consideration of these requests. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday night. In the meantime if you have any questions, please reach out to any one of us copied.

Jim Foley  
Director/Chair  
Los Gatos Chamber of Commerce Board/Subcommittee on Legislative Affairs & Economic Vitality