

No. 2021- ORDINANCE

An Ordinance of County Council for the County of Luzerne Amending the 2021 Fiscal Year Budgets for Luzerne County

WHEREAS, the Luzerne County Administration received \$56,445,076 from the U.S Treasury, as a part of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, **American Rescue Plan Act signed on March 11, 2021**, a \$350 billion in response to the COVID-19 emergency to help with the pandemic, address economic fallout and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.07 of the Home Rule Charter of Luzerne County, County Council adopted the 2021 Fiscal Year Budgets which accounted for anticipated revenue and expenses; and

WHEREAS, Section 5.10.E. of the Home Rule Charter states; At any time during the fiscal year, County Council may, by resolution adopted by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of its current members, make transfers of part or all of any unencumbered balance from any division, elective office, the Judiciary, Office of Court Administration, or other administrative unit or budgetary function to any other division, elective office, the Judiciary, Office of Court Administration, or other administrative unit or budgetary function.

WHEREAS, Section 5.10.F. of the Home Rule Charter states County Council may amend any of the budgets at any time during the fiscal year by ordinance adopted by an affirmative vote of at least a majority plus one of its current members after a public hearing has been held; and

WHEREAS, County Council for Luzerne desires to amend the 2021 Fiscal Year Budget at the appropriate line items in order to account for the receipt **and expenditures** of funds to the 2021 Fiscal Year budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, the following is hereby ENACTED and ORDAINED by the Luzerne County Council **that the Division of Budget and Finance create the following 2021 Fiscal Year Budget Line Items:**

REVENUES:

Line Item – 125.20.4176.400.11 U. S Treasury **American Rescue Plan Act Income** shall be increased by \$56,445,076.

EXPENDITURES:

Line Item – 125.20.4176.599.82 U. S Treasury **American Rescue Plan Act Income** shall be increased by \$56,445,076.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED, the Fund 125 Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds shall be appropriated for use solely by and with the approval and cooperation of Luzerne County Council and the County Manager, as described in Section 5.10 E and 5.10 F of the Luzerne County Home Rule Charter.

SECTION ONE. Incorporation of Preamble.

The provisions set forth in the preamble to this Ordinance are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

SECTION TWO. Amendment of Line Items in Budget.

A public hearing having been held on __, County Council hereby amends the following line item in the 2021 fiscal year budget in order to account for receipt of funds relative to COVID-19:

REVENUES:

Line Item – 125.20.4176.400.11 U. S Treasury **American Rescue Plan Act** COVID Fiscal Recovery Income shall be increased by \$56,445,076.

EXPENDITURES:

Line Item – 125.20.4176.599.82 U. S Treasury **American Rescue Plan Act** COVID Fiscal Recovery shall be increased by \$56,445,076.

SECTION THREE. Remainder of Budget.

All other line items in the 2021 Fiscal Year Luzerne County Budget shall remain unchanged.

SECTION FOUR. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after enactment.

ROLL CALL VOTE