

**CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING
RESOLUTION 2020-55**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT (DAY CARE) FOR \$86,000 TO LARAMIE INTERFAITH TO FORM A
PARTNERSHIP FOR RESIDENT COVID RELIEF**

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared the Novel Coronavirus as a worldwide pandemic on March 11, 2020 and the President of the United States of America declared a national emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) on March 13, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Wyoming, declared a State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency in the State of Wyoming on March 13, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the Wyoming Public Health Order provides rules and regulations for the government and direction of Albany County, through its County Health Officer, including the City of Laramie, which is located therein (W.S. §§ 35-1-227); and,

WHEREAS, the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, P.L. 116-136, has provided the state government of Wyoming relief funds of one billion two hundred fifty million dollars (\$1,250,000,000) to cover costs that are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, the legislature finds that four (4) classifications of priority needs require funding including COVID-19 emergency response, relief funding, economic development projects to offset COVID-19 crisis , relief funds could be used to allow state and local governments to continue to provide a basic level of critical services; and,

WHEREAS, from May to June, Laramie Interfaith (Interfaith) saw a 154% increase in rental and utilities assistance requests, with 60% of those requests being COVID-19 related. Interfaith's average dollar amount per request has also increased by 35%; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Laramie submitted a CARES Act partner grant application for Laramie Interfaith to establish a program for Laramie residents which the Wyoming State Loan and Investment Board denied funding of on August 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laramie is authorizing the transfer of \$86,000 in Economic Development funds (Daycare) to establish a partnership with Laramie Interfaith to assist Laramie residents for COVID-19 relief funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Laramie, Wyoming

Section 1. To incorporate the foregoing recitals by reference; and

Section 2. To establish a Memorandum of Understanding with Laramie Interfaith and the City of Laramie to enact the program; and

Section 3. To make expenditures in accordance with Laramie Interfaith established income verification and documentation.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 1st day of September 2020.

Joe Shumway, Mayor and President of the
Laramie City Council

Attest:

Nancy Bartholomew, City Clerk