



**Agenda Item: Grant Award**

**Title: Acceptance of Six Grant Award(s) from the Wyoming State Loan and Investment Board for Cares Act Relief Funding**

**Recommended Council MOTION:**

Move to approve acceptance of grant award(s) CRF-69 through CRF-74 for \$2,314,505 for Cares Act Relief Funding in which award amounts may be subject to change based on the total allocation given to the City of Laramie by the Wyoming State Loan and Investment Board and authorize the City Manager to sign Cares Act Reimbursement Agreements per Resolution 2006-25.

**Administrative or Policy Goal:**

Support national and state health protection efforts related to Novel Coronavirus Pandemic and CARES Act Relief Funding.

**Background:**

On March 13, 2020 the Governor of the State of Wyoming declared a State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency in the State of Wyoming due to the Novel Coronavirus worldwide pandemic. The City of Laramie has responded to this pandemic to ensure municipal operations are not interrupted as services are critical to public health emergency response and well-being of the community. The federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, P.L 116-136 provided the State of Wyoming \$1,250,0000 to cover costs that are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19. The City submitted reimbursement for COVID-19 funding through the Wyoming State Loan and Investment Board. The City is declaring this an emergency to provide authorization for the City to expend funds for purchases and projects related to COVID-19 to meet the stringent timeline of December 30, 2020.

On July 21, 2020, City Council authorized the submittal of eleven different CARES Act applications to the Office of State Land and Investments via Resolutions 2020-44 to 2020-54. The Board approved six of the eleven requests. Applications for capital projects that were similar in nature to other state-level programs funded with CARES Act monies (e.g. housing assistance and aid to businesses) were denied.

The approved reimbursement agreements will be the first step to allow for the City to turn in reimbursements which will still go through another approval process. In accordance with the City of Laramie Grant Policy, staff is seeking City Council approval of the following awards:

<b>Authorizing Resolution</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Award #</b>	<b>Awarded Amount</b>
Resolution 2020-45	Public Safety Emergency Response	CRF 69	\$1,378,561
Resolution 2020-44	General Administration	CRF 70	\$ 289,650
Resolution 2020-46	Public Works	CRF 71	\$ 16,065
Resolution 2020-47	City Hall and Annex Reopening	CRF 72	\$ 157,580
Resolution 2020-48	Recreational Facilities Shut Down and Program Adaptations	CFR 73	\$ 419,952
Resolution 2020-52	Downtown Laramie Economic Stimulus and Public Safety Program	CRF 74	\$ 52,697

**TOTAL Awards \$2,314,505**

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**Legal/Statutory Authority:**

Legislative Bill – Special Session  
W.S 16-4-114 – Emergency Funding  
Resolution 2006-25

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**Responsible Staff:**

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Todd Feezer, Assistant City Manager  
Janine Jordan, City Manager  
Sarah Reese, Administrator, Economic and Community Initiatives

**Attachments:**

Grant Awards CRF-69 through CRF-74  
Resolution 2006-25  
Attachment B-Completion Date Guarantee  
DUNS Number Completion Form