## Agenda Item 6.2

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board of County

Commissioners

**FROM:** Joe Kerby, County Manager

**RE:** American Rescue Plan – 2022-2024 5% Supported Salary Adjustment

**Date:** 10/22/2024

## **Staff Recommendation:**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the United States Congress adopted the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong. (ARPA), a \$1.9 trillion stimulus fund of which \$130 billion was established for a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, including approximately \$65 billion for payment to counties; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson County has been awarded \$113.2 million in ARPA funds from the United States Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the 2022-2024 5% ARPA Supported Salary Adjustment has been determined by the County to be eligible under ARPA and has received all required County approvals; and

WHEREAS on 5/7/2024 the Board was notified that use of ARPA interest income for this purpose is an eligible use,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners hereby approves an increase of up to \$1.6 million from ARPA interest income to address a shortfall in the previously approved funding.

Resolution: CC24-321

**Background:** The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) approved a 5% ARPA Supported Salary Adjustment for county staff via Resolution #CC22-232 on August 30, 2022. To cover a projected shortfall of \$1.60 million in funding for this salary increase,

additional funds are required.

Fiscal Impact: Up to \$1.6 million in American Rescue Plan interest funding

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