

**CAPE COD REGIONAL GOVERNMENT
ASSEMBLY of DELEGATES
2023 Session
Proposed Ordinance No. 11**

Repealing Ordinance 23-05, Allocating \$11,400,000 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds received by the county for the housing sector, to remove Sections 2 and 3, and re-allocating the same amount for the same purpose

The Cape Cod regional government, known as Barnstable county, hereby ordains;

Section 1.

Ordinance 23-05 is hereby repealed.

Section 2.

The sums set forth in this section are hereby allocated from funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this ordinance, and shall be expended only for the purposes and in the ways set forth in the United States Department of the Treasury Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Final Rule (ARPA Final Rule) effective on April 1, 2022 or any subsequent directives:

(a) Sheltering and Medical Respite:

A sum not to exceed \$3,000,000 to: 1) provide shelter and supportive services to meet the current needs of aging and medically fragile homeless persons on Cape Cod by establishing medical respite services through acute and post-acute medical care for those who are too ill or frail to recover from a physical illness or injury on the streets, but are not ill enough to be in a hospital; and 2) upgrade or relocate existing shelter; serving all sub-regions of Cape Cod (Upper, Middle, Lower, Outer Cape).

(b) Affordable Housing:

A sum not to exceed \$6,900,000 to: 1) provide gap funding for projects that are highly ready to proceed and have received other funding approvals from federal, state, local government or private sources; 2) support construction of affordable housing properties which provide for stormwater/wastewater treatment systems or municipal sewers; 3) fund projects for those earning up to 110% of the area median income (AMI); 4) support multi-family housing projects; and 5) support projects with a mix of one-bedroom units, two-bedroom units, three-bedroom units, and more than three-bedroom units, in high opportunity areas with amenities nearby; using local mapping projects that use the best available existing data and geographic

information systems (GIS) technology to identify priority areas for natural resource protection and priority areas for affordable moderate-density housing development.

(c) Workforce Housing:

A sum not to exceed \$1,500,000 to fund: 1) projects promoting redevelopment/modernization of housing structures; 2) projects promoting zoning changes to allow for multi-family, higher density in appropriate areas; 3) support and promotion for the creation of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and provide incentives to cover the engineering, design, and other related costs prior to ADU permitting process; 4) pilot innovative public/private partnerships and programs to maximize existing housing inventory and development and incentivize homeowners to keep their homes affordable upon sale; 5) support the streamlining of reviews and public comment processes for proposed housing projects; and 6) formalize the hosting and creation of housing for seasonal workforce.

Section 3.

The Board of Regional Commissioners or County Administrator shall provide the Assembly of Delegates quarterly reports on the status of allocated funding pursuant to County Home Rule Charter Section 2 – 7.

Introduced by Delegate Potash of Chatham, Delegate Susan Warner of Yarmouth, and Delegate Princi of Barnstable at the Assembly of Delegates meeting on March 15, 2023.