

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2021**

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS, & REVISIONS

SECTION	ITEM NO.	ADDITIONS
DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER	19	COVID-19 VACCINE FUNDING REQUEST



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CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH

TO: MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON, AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS
FROM: JONATHAN E. EVANS, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM, CITY MANAGER/CRA
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: **CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – FUND BALANCE REQUEST OF \$250,000 –
LATE ADDITION BY (J. EVANS)**
DATE: **JANUARY 19, 2021**
CC: GENERAL PUBLIC

Background:

The premise of this memorandum is to request an allocation from fund balance to facilitate continual expenditures associated with the operation and management of a vaccine distribution site within the City of Riviera Beach (the City). This request is predicated on the continual effort necessary to accommodate a point of distribution for the Moderna vaccine. The City participated in the facilitation of a vaccine distribution site on Sunday, January 17, 2021, whereby city staff assisted the Florida Department of Emergency Management Palm Beach County and State Sen. Bobby Powell in the vaccination of approximately 500 persons. The event was a success because of the coordinated effort between all entities involved, so much so that city staff were praised for coordinating the activities that transpired this past Sunday.

On Tuesday, January 19, 2021, the City of Riviera Beach provided notifications to the community that 120 Moderna vaccines had been secured courtesy of the Palm Beach County Health Department. The City is proceeding with establishing a vaccine distribution site on Wednesday, January 20, 2021, at the Wells Recreation Center located at 2409 Ave. H West., in Riviera Beach. The inoculations will occur from 9 AM to 3 PM for City of Riviera Beach permanent residents only, as it is a closed point of distribution. All persons who visit the site on Wednesday, January 20, 2021, will need to furnish a government-issued ID with a Riviera Beach address to receive the vaccine.

Because it is the City's desire to continue to operate the distribution site staff is requesting an allocation of approximately \$250,000, to facilitate distribution. Based on the information provided by multiple government personnel, it is anticipated that reimbursements will be provided via the federal government by virtue of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Staff believes it is imperative that the City appropriate the necessary monies to facilitate this type of operation, as it is not a budgeted expenditure and will result in departments exceeding their allocated budget amounts to facilitate such an operation. It is critically important that the City provide access to the vaccine to all residents as swiftly as possible. By not appropriating monies, delays will invariably happen and the City will not be able to continue to provide vaccines at the frequency necessary to combat COVID-19.

Citywide Goals:

- Accelerate operational excellence.

Budget/Fiscal Impact:

Contained in the FY 2021 Adopted Budget (PG. 22), the City of Riviera Beach possesses \$6.1 million in reserves to facilitate this expenditure request.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that \$250,000 be allocated from fund balance to facilitate the operation and management of a vaccine distribution site effective immediately and directs the City Manager and Finance Director to take the appropriate actions necessary to continue as a vaccine distribution site.

Attachment(s):

N/A