

American Rescue Plan Act Expenditures Item # 13 Dec 14,2021 Council Meeting

Dear Council Members

The past eighteen months have brought many challenges to the city and its residents. We are fortunate to have received the American Rescue Plan monies because it is helping balance the budget.

The two hundred and ninety-one dollars identified in the staff report would be wisely spent on Infrastructure and CIP projects already identified as priorities. Core needs must come first. We all know that an electrical upgrade is needed at the Grant Park facility, before a kitchen or air conditioning can be made available. Police and City vehicles need replacement. Our roads and sidewalks need to be repaired.

Unfortunately, I have heard rumors that Council is considering spending the money on a feasibility study for the Los Altos Stage Company. I hope this is not true. The city has over 60 CIP projects that you identified as priorities.

I hope that you will not make a decision until you receive the staff reports on the budget and CIP projects so that this money can be put in context with all the other city needs. Surely you can wait a few weeks, until Staff can get this information to you and the community. If you do make a decision, I hope it will be on infrastructure projects or CIP projects .

Sincerely

Roberta Phillips

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Dear City Council

The City Council approved their priorities for 2021-2023 at their meeting July 13, 2021.

One of the highest priorities was Fiscal Sustainability. With the rescue package you must make sure to use the utmost care and be responsible stewards of this money. The council must delegate it wisely. Any funds not used for the dire shortfalls in the budget, should be used for the CIP.

There are no "funds to play with" and every last dollar is hard earned money that the tax payers paid.

The City Council of Los Altos needs to keep their promise to the citizens of Los Altos.

Sincerely

Terri Couture

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