# CITY OF SALINAS SALINAS CITY COUNCIL March 30, 2021

Salinas recovery under the American Rescue Plan Act



## AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

Enacted on March 11, 2021

Estimated City of Salinas amount: \$50,459,386

#### Eligible Uses:

Respond to or mitigate the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts.

Cover costs incurred as a result of the public health emergency.

Replace revenue that was lost, delayed, or decreased (as determined based on revenue projections for the metropolitan city, non-entitlement unit of local government, or county as of Jan. 27, 2020) as a result of the pandemic.

# PLAN CONTINUED

Address the negative economic impacts of the pandemic.

Make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

#### Payments:

First half of funding within 60 days

Second half approximately 12 months later

All funds must be spent by December 31, 2024

### COUNCIL FUNDING PRIORITIES

Council suggestions on funding priorities

Replacement of lost revenue an important consideration

Ongoing broadband infrastructure: Request for Proposals due back to City on April 30, regarding leveraging existing broadband assets to additional coverage for businesses and residents

## CHALLENGES

Deadline for spending, 12/31/2024

Staying within the Federal Parameters
(making sure that use of funds complies with the provisions of the Act)

Awaiting US Treasury Department Guidance

## ATTACHED RESOLUTION

Resolution, if approved, can allow City Manager the authority to spend up to \$1 million, only IF:

- 1. Delay in Council adoption of final strategic spending plan
- 2. Must be an Emergency expenditure(s)
- 3. Must be a clear, permissible expenditure under the Act
- 4. Subject to City's existing procurement policies and protocols

## Council Priorities & Questions

Identify Council priorities and policy direction with funding from the American Rescue Plan Act

Bring back Salinas recovery plan for final City Council adoption in the coming weeks

Questions