

Date: August 5, 2022

Project: ARPA Small Business Grants

Recommendation: Staff recommends awarding grants for small businesses and non-profits according to the attached schedule. The recommended grants total \$49,353.00 using American Rescue Plan Act grant funds.

Background: The Mayor and Council chose to direct a portion of the funds from the City's ARPA grant to help offset the economic impact to small businesses as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The program provided grant funding of up to \$5,000.00 to for-profit businesses (including home-based businesses) and 501(c)(3) organizations with less than \$2 million in estimated annual gross receipts that demonstrated either 1) a financial disruption of 10 percent or more or 2) a loss of direct or contracted employees of ten percent or more. Applications were available on the City's website beginning June 21 and were accepted through July 15.

The City received 19 applications for the small business grant. City staff reviewed each application and followed up with applicants for additional documentation or information as needed. After review of the applications by the City's Finance Director, Economic Development Director, and ARPA Program Manager, staff recommends the grant awards on the attached schedule.

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Chief Financial Officer

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Business Name	Owner Name	Recommended grant
Crystal's Salon Service, LLC	Crystal Nguyen	\$4,353
Kingdom Choices, Inc.	Tonia E. Rowland	\$5,000
LandPro Atlanta, Inc.	Mark E. McGouirk	\$5,000
Lashes Forevermore	Shayna Murray	\$5,000
Lewis G. Cox & Associates LLC	Lewis Cox	\$5,000
Powder Springs Youth Baseball	Cliff Hudson	\$5,000
Prime Time Car Spa	Coretta Finnell	\$5,000
The Book Worm Bookstore	Julia Davis	\$5,000
The Pixel Pusher	Dion Sevener	\$5,000
The Tutoring Center of Powder Springs	Charles Menifee	\$5,000