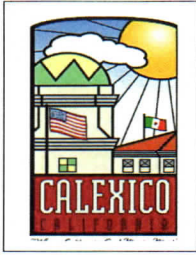


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# AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** August 18, 2021

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**PREPARED BY:** Best Best & Krieger LLP, City Attorney

**APPROVED BY:** Miguel Figueroa, City Manager *M*

**SUBJECT:** A Resolution Designating All City Employees Who Worked During the Covid-19 Pandemic as Eligible Workers Performing Essential Work Pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act

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**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

Adopt Resolution No. 2021 - \_\_\_\_\_ A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico, California, Designating All City Employees As Eligible Workers Performing Essential Work During the Covid-19 Pandemic Pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act

**Discussion:**

On March 11, 2021 the President of the United States signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. Approximately \$350 billion of the ARPA funding was allotted to assist state, local, tribal, and territory governments in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic. These ARPA Local Fiscal Recovery Funds may be used to provide premium pay to eligible workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Eligible workers are those who are needed to maintain essential critical infrastructure sectors, including the employees of the City of Calexico. Essential work is work involving regular in-person interactions or physically handing of items that were also handled by others; not telework.

The proposed Resolution would designate all permanent full time and part time City employees that were employed during the time period between March 2020 and June 2021 as “eligible workers” performing “essential work” as those terms are defined in the ARPA.

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**Coordinated with:**

City Manager's Office.  
City Attorney's Office.

**Fiscal Impact:**

No impact.

**Attachment:**

1. Resolution 2021-\_\_\_\_\_ - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico, California, Designating All City Employees As Eligible Workers Performing Essential Work During the Covid-19 Pandemic Pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-\_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING ALL CITY EMPLOYEES WHO WORKED DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AS ELIGIBLE WORKERS PERFORMING ESSENTIAL WORK PURSUANT TO THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT**

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2021 the President of the United States signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately \$350 billion of the ARPA funding was allotted to assist state, local, tribal, and territory governments in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, these ARPA Local Fiscal Recovery Funds may be used to provide premium pay to eligible workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, eligible workers are defined as those needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors, including local governments like the City of Calexico; and

**WHEREAS**, essential work is defined as work involving regular in-person interactions or regular physical handling of items that were also handled by others. Essential work does not include telework performed from a residence; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council acknowledges all City employees whose continued employment during the Covid-19 pandemic resulted in continuous, excellent service to the community and the performance of added responsibilities and risks undertaken.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Calexico that all permanent full time and part time City employees that were employed during the time period between March 2020 and June 2021 are hereby designated as eligible workers performing essential work under the terms of the ARPA.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Calexico, California, at a regular meeting held on this 18th day of August, 2021.

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

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Javier Moreno, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Carlos Campos, City Attorney

State of California )  
County of Imperial ) s.s.  
City of Calexico )

I, Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk of the City of Calexico do hereby certify the above Resolution No. 2021-\_\_\_\_ was approved at a regular City Council meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 2021, by the following vote to wit:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

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Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk