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Public comment.

I have looked at the Final Rule for use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program (SLFRF) aka ARPA.

This clarifying statement from the Treasury final rule explains my suggestions: “First, a recipient may not use SLFRF funds for a program, service, or capital expenditure that conflicts with or contravenes the statutory purpose of ARPA, including a program, service, or capital expenditure that includes a term or condition that undermines efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19.”

Three substantial infrastructure projects come to mind that would easily be allowable considering the limitations:

- First is the modernization of the City Hall lobby; you have discussed this in the past and now you have the funding to accomplish the task. Think BIG since this project could help stop the spread of all communicable diseases and improve customer service if properly planned.
- The second is to replace all HVAC systems in every City facility where people work including fire stations, city hall, police station, library, water/waste water plants, city yard, etc. This would included replacing aged equipment with high filtration heating/cooling systems and removing/replacing all duct work. This is a major project, but once gain it could help stop the spread of all communicable diseases amongst the workforce and public who attend various meetings.
- Lastly the restroom facilities in all City buildings. These are usually compact spaces where physical separation isn't usually possible and a renovation may improve conditions.

These aren't glamorous projects, but they've probably been needed for over a decade and now is an opportunity to improve working conditions for visitors and your employees while adhering to the funding limitations.

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