

RESOLUTION NO. CC-2020-18

“A RESOLUTION CONCERNING FUNDING PURSUANT TO THE CARES ACT AND THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND, CONFIRMING THAT IT IS THE POLICY OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STILLWATER THAT ALL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL COSTS ARE “SUBSTANTIALLY DEDICATED” TO THE COVID-19 RESPONSE EFFORTS OF THE CITY OF STILLWATER THROUGHOUT THE ONGOING STATE OF EMERGENCY.”

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the coronavirus COVID-19 disease to be a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency; due to the COVID-19 Virus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, the Governor of the State of Oklahoma declared an emergency caused by the impending threat of COVID-19 to the people of this State and the public's peace, health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's statewide emergency declaration has been renewed and extended numerous times and remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the City Council protect the health and safety of the City of Stillwater and its inhabitants, to preserve the peace, and to provide civil defense and emergency functions; and

WHEREAS, the guidelines applicable to funding from the Cares Act indicate that there is a presumption that all public safety personnel costs are related to the COVID-19 relief efforts unless the relevant municipal official determines otherwise; and

WHEREAS, approval of this resolution is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Stillwater.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STILLWATER:

1. That pursuant to the guidelines established for the receipt by a municipality of funds pursuant to the Cares Act and the Coronavirus Relief Fund, the City Council confirms the presumption that all public safety personnel costs of the City of Stillwater for the period from March 1, 2020, through August 26, 2020, were substantially dedicated to the City's COVID-19 response efforts.
2. The City Manager is authorized and directed to proceed with an application to the State of Oklahoma for reimbursement of COVID-19 related public safety personnel costs for the stated period.
3. The City Manager is authorized to execute all documents necessary to complete the application and funding process.

APPROVED IN AN OPEN MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA, ON THE 14TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.

WILLIAM H. JOYCE, MAYOR

(SEAL)
ATTEST:

TERESA KADAVY, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY THIS 14TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.

JOHN E. DORMAN, CITY ATTORNEY