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Stonecrest Officials Approve the First Phase of ARPA Allocations for the City

The initial allocation provides \$5.7 million to support community recommended programs.

Stonecrest, GA – The Stonecrest City Council approved recommendations for the initial allocation of \$9.7 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds at its August 22 meeting.

The first phase will distribute \$5.7 million aimed at aiding residents and businesses as well as supporting both education and youth programs.

The initial allocations approved at Monday’s meeting included the following categories: small business support (\$2 million), educational support (\$1.2 million), residential assistance (\$1 million), parks upgrades (\$900,000), new youth programs (\$500,000), and a Stonecrest Citizens Academy (\$100,000).

“This federal investment provides a once in a generation opportunity to help restore the lives of individuals, families and businesses most impacted by the pandemic,” said Mayor Jazzmin Cobble. “We appreciate the residents, business owners and area stakeholders who shared their thoughts during our community engagement process this summer. Their recommendations and input are guiding our decisions and allowing us to define the priorities that are most important to Stonecrest.”

The City’s staff will use the approved categories as a roadmap toward developing long-term recovery programs and providing project proposals to City officials.

The City plans to disburse its ARPA funds in two phases. A second set of allocations will be determined at a future date.

“Investment in Stonecrest will occur in more than two phases,” said Mayor Cobble. “However, we must be strategic in the allocation of these federal resources in order to address the urgent needs of our City.”

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About the City of Stonecrest

The City of Stonecrest is located in DeKalb County, Georgia. The City operates under a Council-Manager form of government. The City is minutes from downtown Atlanta and Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport. Stonecrest offers residents a live-work-play community. The City is known for shopping and restaurants in The Mall at Stonecrest area. Residents and visitors can explore nature or hiking trails and cycling opportunities in the area. For more information, visit: www.stonecrestga.gov.