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Town hall and special meeting called as Anchorage Assembly continues thorough public process for deliberation of COVID-19 relief dollars

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The Assembly has scheduled a third town hall and fourth worksession for Monday, May 17 to hear from the public about the usage of COVID-19 relief dollars. In addition, the Assembly has scheduled a special meeting for Tuesday, May 18 to hold a public hearing and vote to allocate these funds.

On Monday, May 10, the Municipality of Anchorage received confirmation that we will be receiving \$103,317,366 from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. At the regular Assembly meeting on Wednesday, May 12, the Assembly introduced a resolution to appropriate 50% of those dollars, or \$51,658,683. The Municipality expects to receive the other 50% 12 months from now.

The administration put together this resolution from a variety of sources, including listening to the worksessions and town halls, and receiving proposals from community groups.

The third town hall and fourth worksession will take place on Monday, May 17 from 4:30 to 7pm in the Assembly Chambers at the Loussac Library. The worksession will take place from 4:30 to 6pm. The town hall will take place from 6 to 7pm.

The special meeting on Tuesday, May 18 will take place right after the currently scheduled special meeting at 6pm has concluded. The Assembly will hold a public hearing, deliberation, and possibly vote on the resolution to appropriate \$51,658,683, or 50% of the total funds we will receive through ARPA.

You can listen to recordings of prior town halls and worksessions here below.

First Worksession on American Rescue Plan Act Funding:

<https://meetings.muni.org/AgendaOnline/Meetings/ViewMeeting?id=4141&doctype=1>

Second Worksession and First Town Hall on ARPA Funding:

<https://meetings.muni.org/AgendaOnline/Meetings/ViewMeeting?id=4150&doctype=1>

Third Worksession and Second Town Hall on ARPA Funding:

<https://meetings.muni.org/AgendaOnline/Meetings/ViewMeeting?id=4151&doctype=1>

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