



OFFICE OF THE RANLO TOWN MANAGER

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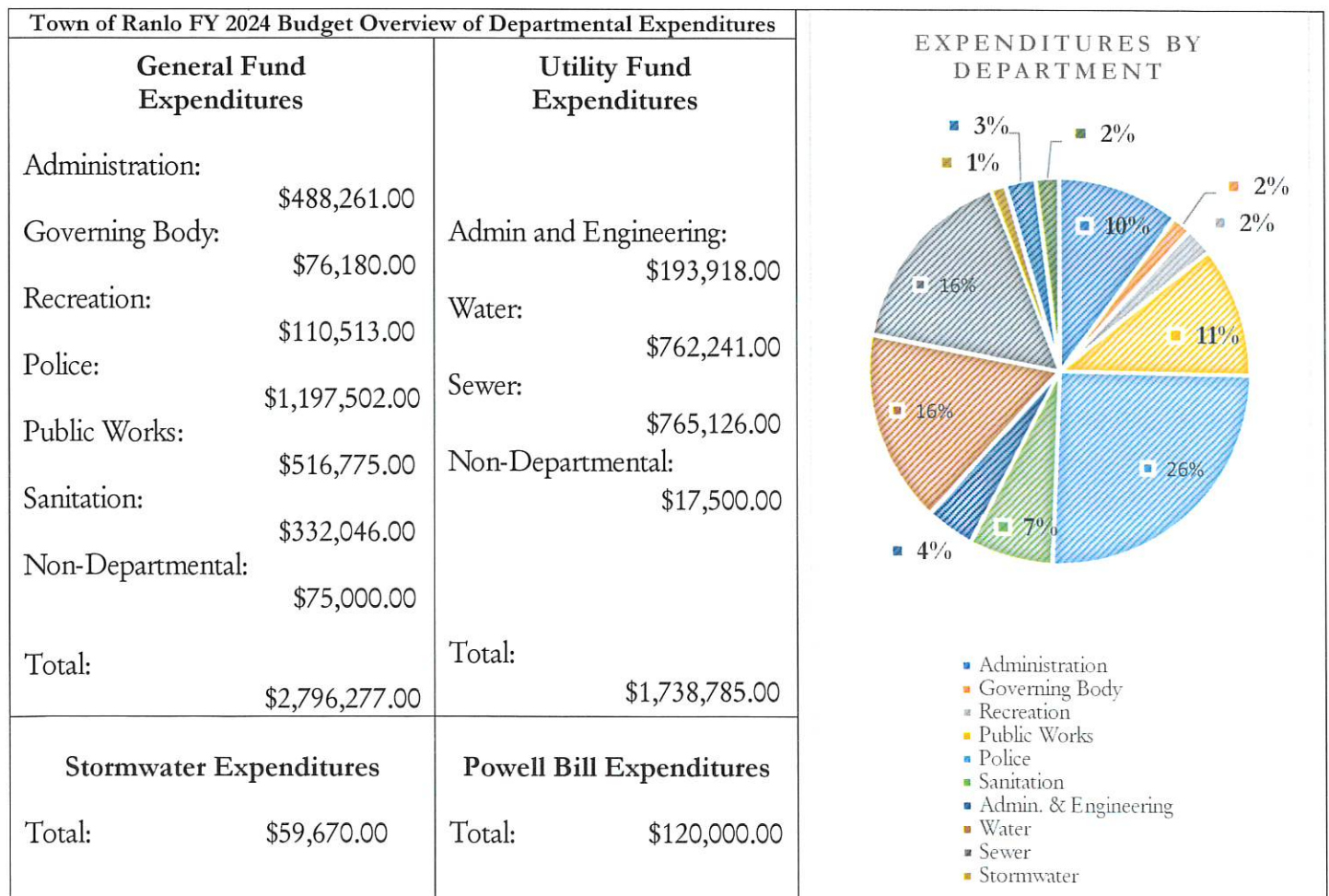
Honorable Lynn Black, Ranlo Mayor
Ranlo Mayor Pro-Tem Katie Cordell
Ranlo Board of Commissioners Robin Conner, Jamie Fowler, Doug Moore, Wade Morton

Dear Mayor Black and Board of Commissioners:

As the Town of Ranlo's Budget Officer and Town Manager, I am pleased to present for your consideration the Manager and Staff's Recommended Budget for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year ("the Recommended Budget").

The Recommended Budget is balanced at \$4,823,500.00. The Recommended Budget consists of a General Fund Budget of \$2,846,700.00, a Utility Fund Budget of \$1,796,800.00, a Powell Bill Fund of \$120,000.00, and a Stormwater Fund of \$60,000.00. The Recommended Budget provides for an estimated \$50,423.00 in surplus in the General Fund, a \$58,015.00 surplus in the Utility Fund, and a \$330.00 surplus in the Stormwater Fund.

Chart A: Departmental Expenditure Overview of the Recommended Budget

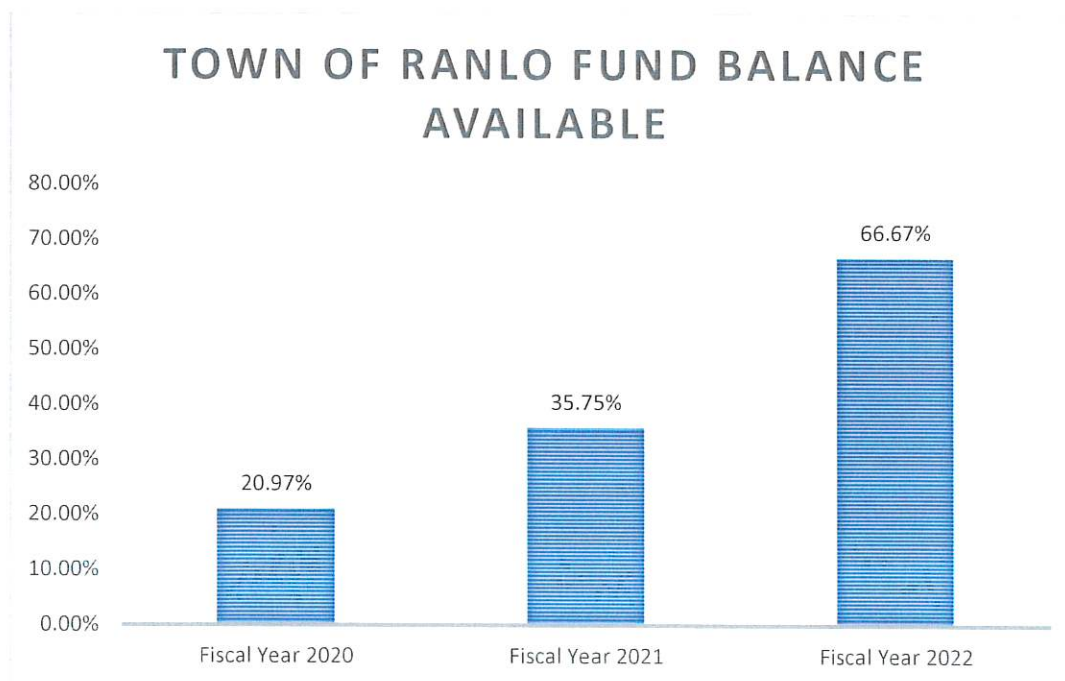


In a thorough and concentrated effort, the Recommended Budget was prepared amongst the Town's staff, coupled with direction and governing input from the Ranlo Board of Commissioners ("the Board"). The Board met on March 9, April 13, and May 4 to compile a budget that met the needs of the Town's departments and that was compliant with required direction from the North Carolina State Treasurer's Office. At the conclusion of these conversations, a robust budget was compiled focusing on maintaining the operational needs of the Town's departments, maneuvering through challenging economic changes, and managing large scale capital projects.

MAINTAIN, MANEUVER, MANAGE

Last year, I spoke to the importance of demonstrating a commitment to fiscal responsibility, conserving the Town's resources, and continuing a stable path of economic growth. The latest audit for the previous fiscal year showed that the Town grew the fund balance for the Utility Fund by \$433,696.00 and the fund balance of the General Fund by \$1,018,224.00. Within the fund balance for the General Fund for the prior fiscal year, \$584,491.11 is funding the Town received under the American Rescue Plan Act which has been supplanted under the revenue replacement option from the United States Treasury. The Recommended Budget is based off the large successes and increased financial growth from the prior fiscal year's budget and prior fiscal year's audit. The growth of available fund balance can be seen in Chart B below.

Chart B: Town of Ranlo Fund Balance Growth Fiscal Year 2020 – Fiscal Year 2022



The Recommended Budget first seeks to ensure that the Town is positioned to maintain the operational needs of our departments. This is the fourth budget that I have prepared and presented to the Board and, for the first time, we are able to fund essential and necessary capital costs that have been delayed due to budgetary constraints. These expenditures include \$20,000.00 in the Sanitation Department for new garbage truck tires, \$120,000.00 in the Public Works Department to finance three new vehicles, \$30,000.00 in the Powell Bill Fund to finance a new vehicle, and \$20,000.00 in the Police Department to purchase and replace depreciated equipment.

Also, to retain a quality workforce and attract exceptional talent, the Recommended Budget provides for an approximate overall budgeted salary increase of 11% from the prior fiscal year. This salary adjustment was adopted by the Board in December of 2022 and continues to be funded for the upcoming fiscal year. By funding these

departmental requests and investing in our workforce, the Recommended Budget ensures that we have a skilled workforce and that our employees have the necessary tools to continue to provide stellar services to our residents.

Next, the Recommended Budget has been drafted to maneuver through current challenging economic changes. Rising costs of supplies, utilities, and equipment, coupled with the recent revaluation of property across Gaston County, create unique issues that the Recommended Budget seeks to address. To address these challenges, the Recommended Budget first provides for approximately \$81,800.00 in additional funding across line-items to confront inflated and increased costs ranging from fuel to insurance renewals.

Furthermore, the general reappraisal of real property for the Town occurs every four years, as decided by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners, and all property across the Town was reappraised for the year 2023. Following a reappraisal, North Carolina General Statute 159-11(e) requires units of local government to publish a revenue-neutral rate in the budget. The valuation for real property within the Town is projected to increase from \$238,110,440.00 to \$424,979,500.00. This equates to a 78.88% increase of \$186,869,060.00. The Town's revenue-neutral property tax is \$0.3383 per one-hundred dollars of value. The Recommended Budget provides for a \$0.45 property tax, which represents a decrease of five-cents from the previous tax rate of \$0.50 per one-hundred dollars of value.

Chart C: Town of Ranlo Neutral Property Tax Evaluation: January 2019 – 2023

Neutral Property Tax Evaluation			TOWN OF RANLO		
Revaluations as of:					
January 1, 2019 and 2023					
Fiscal year	Assessed Valuation as of June 30	Annexation (Deannexation)	Total Adjusted for Annexation or Deannexation	Valuation Increase (Decrease)	Percentage change
2023-24	424,979,500	-	424,979,500		
			238,110,440	186,869,060	78.88%
			238,110,440		
2022-23	238,110,440	1,197,450	236,912,990	1,269,420	0.54%
			235,643,570		
2021-22	235,643,570	-	235,643,570	1,886,002	0.81%
			233,757,568		
2020-21	233,757,568	-	233,757,568	6,374,445	2.80%
			227,383,123		
2019-20	227,383,123		227,383,123		
					20.76%
Last year prior to revaluation				Tax rate	Estimated tax
2022-23	238,110,440			0.5000	1,190,552
First year of revaluation				Tax rate to produce equivalent levy	
2023-24	424,979,500			0.2801	1,190,552
				Revenue neutral tax rate, to be included in budget ordinance, adjusted for growth	
2023-24	186,869,060			0.3383	632,161
				Increase (Decrease) in Tax Levy	
				(558,391)	
				Average Percentage Increase (Decrease)	
				20.76%	

By intentionally budgeting additional funds to address economic changes and to appropriately allocate funding based on the recent revaluation, the Recommended Budget seeks to responsibly provide appropriate resources for current and future needs, including upcoming water, sewer, and roadway capital improvement plans that total over \$20 million for future funding needs.

Lastly, the Recommended Budget funds the operational costs of the Town, but also was drafted with the intent and mindfulness of managing numerous ongoing large-scale capital projects. Since 2021, the Board has adopted three grant project ordinances.

The first grant project ordinance provides for \$3,592,750.00 from a State Capital Improvement Fund Grant. This grant continues to fund the restoration of Boulder Court, the extension of the Ranlo Avenue roadway, upfitting to The Lodge, the Community Building, the Town's two parks, and sidewalk repairs.

The second grant project ordinance provides for \$3,367,300.00 from a North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality Grant. This grant continues to fund the South Ranlo Waterline Replacement Project, the AMR Water Meter Replacement Project, and the Ranlo Avenue Waterline Extension Project.

The third grant project ordinance provides for \$1,168,982.22 from a grant received under the American Rescue Plan Act, which has been supplanted under the salary revenue replacement option from the United States Treasury.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the Recommended Budget is balanced and prepared in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 159-11. The Recommended Budget is based on a tax rate of \$0.45 with no increase to water, sewer, garbage, or stormwater rates. Financial forecasting and revenue projections for the upcoming year are based on the findings of previous audits, the actual trends of the prior fiscal year, and annual projections by the North Carolina League of Municipalities, all of which continue to indicate overall growth and positive stability.

The public hearing on this budget is scheduled to be held on June 8, 2023 at the regular monthly meeting of the Ranlo Board of Commissioners, at 7:00 pm at Ranlo Town Hall. Any person wishing to make comments, or ask questions, may do so at the public hearing prior to the adoption of the budget ordinance. The Recommended Budget will be available for public review at Ranlo Town Hall during normal business hours, and on the Town's website. Notice of the availability of the document, and the scheduled public hearing, will be published in *The Gaston Gazette* in the upcoming days.

It is with the sincerest gratitude and appreciation that I, as Budget Officer and Town Manager, respectfully submit and recommend this proposed budget to the Ranlo Board of Commissioners today, May 11, 2023.

Thank you and best regards,

Jonathan D. Blanton
Ranlo Town Manager

Attachments:

- (i) Manager and Staff's Recommended Budget for the 2023 Fiscal Year
- (ii) Grant Project Ordinances (3)

General Fund Revenue

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
10-301-0000	Ad Valorem Taxes	\$1,710,000.00
10-301-2000	Prior Year's Taxes	\$10,000.00
10-301-4500	Tag & Taxes County	\$180,000.00
10-301-5500	Alcohol/Beverage Tax	\$15,000.00
10-301-6000	Court Fees Police Income	\$400.00
10-301-8000	Garbage Fees	\$287,000.00
10-302-0000	Other Revenue	\$38,200.00
10-302-2100	Utility Taxes - Piped Gas	\$10,000.00
10-302-2200	Utility Taxes - Electricity	\$160,000.00
10-302-2300	Utility Taxes - Telecom	\$12,000.00
10-302-2400	Utility Taxes - Video	\$19,000.00
10-302-4000	Sales Tax & Gas Refund	\$20,000.00
10-302-7000	Sales Tax 1/2 cent Art 42	\$65,000.00
10-302-8000	Sales Tax 1 cent Art 39	\$140,000.00
10-302-9000	Sales Tax 1/2 cent Art 40	\$80,000.00
10-302-9100	Hold Harmless Tax	\$80,000.00
10-303-1000	Solid Waste Disposal Tax	\$2,500.00
10-303-4000	Customer Trash Can Purchase	\$100.00
10-303-6000	Permits	\$5,000.00
10-304-0000	Lodge/Building Rental	<u>\$12,500.00</u>
		\$2,846,700.00

Administration

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
10-420-0020	Salaries	\$207,948.00
10-420-0030	FICA	\$16,636.00
10-420-0040	Group Insurance	\$8,000.00
10-420-0050	State Retirement	\$26,079.00
10-420-0051	401K Retirement	\$2,898.00
10-420-0080	Employee Training	\$2,500.00
10-420-0090	Professional Services	\$50,000.00
10-420-0095	Contracted Services	\$18,000.00
10-420-0100	Telephone/Communication	\$17,000.00
10-420-0110	Utilities	\$50,000.00
10-420-0120	Maint/Repair Equipment	\$2,000.00
10-420-0122	Maint/Repair Building	\$5,000.00
10-420-0125	Building Supplies	\$6,500.00
10-420-0130	Advertising	\$2,500.00
10-420-0140	Department Supplies	\$6,000.00

10-420-0150	Dues & Subscriptions	\$15,000.00
10-420-0170	Audit Fees	\$15,000.00
10-420-0175	Bank Service Fees	\$6,000.00
10-420-0500	Code Enforcement	\$28,000.00
10-420-0700	Purchase of Equipment	\$2,200.00
10-420-0960	Postage	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
		\$488,261.00

Governing Body

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
10-430-0020	Salaries	\$21,600.00
10-430-0030	FICA	\$1,728.00
10-430-0040	Group Insurance	\$24,000.00
10-420-0100	Election Expenses	\$4,852.00
10-430-0090	Professional Services	<u>\$24,000.00</u>
		\$76,180.00

Recreation

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
10-450-0020	Salaries	\$42,918.00
10-450-0030	FICA	\$3,434.00
10-450-0040	Group Insurance	\$8,000.00
10-450-0050	State Retirement	\$5,515.00
10-450-0051	401K Retirement	\$2,146.00
10-450-0110	Utilities	\$14,000.00
10-450-0122	Lodge Maint/Repair	\$2,000.00
10-450-0125	Lodge Supplies	\$1,000.00
10-450-0150	Event Supplies	\$20,000.00
10-450-0165	Fireworks	\$6,500.00
10-450-0190	Christmas Lights Supplies	\$1,000.00
10-450-1000	Park Supplies/Equipment	<u>\$4,000.00</u>
		\$110,513.00

Police

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
10-510-0020	Salaries	\$686,806.00
10-510-0025	Overtime	\$25,000.00
10-510-0030	FICA	\$54,945.00
10-510-0040	Group Insurance	\$104,000.00
10-510-0050	State Retirement	\$96,840.00
10-510-0051	401K Retirement	\$34,331.00
10-510-0080	Employee Training	\$5,000.00
10-510-0095	Employee Testing	\$1,000.00
10-510-0100	Telephone/Communication	\$17,000.00
10-510-0119	Maint/Repair Firing Range	\$1,500.00
10-510-0120	Maint/Repair Equipment	\$4,000.00

10-510-0121	Maint/Repair Autos	\$15,000.00
10-510-0122	Auto Fuel	\$48,000.00
10-510-0123	Supplies Autos	\$3,000.00
10-510-0124	Tires Auto	\$6,000.00
10-510-0140	Department Supplies	\$12,000.00
10-510-0181	SBI/Community Policing	\$6,000.00
10-510-0191	Uniform Purchase	\$12,000.00
10-510-0300	DCI/NCIC	\$4,000.00
10-510-0700	Purchase of Equipment	\$17,000.00
10-510-0800	Capital Outlay	\$32,080.00
10-510-0701	Firearms	\$8,000.00
10-510-0400	K-9 Budget	\$2,000.00
10-510-1000	Psychological Testing	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
		\$1,197,502.00

Public Works

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
10-560-0020	Salaries	\$198,866.00
10-560-0025	Overtime	\$7,000.00
10-560-0030	FICA	\$15,910.00
10-560-0040	Group Insurance	\$32,000.00
10-560-0050	State Retirement	\$25,555.00
10-560-0051	401K Retirement	\$9,944.00
10-560-0080	Employee Training	\$1,000.00
10-560-0095	Contracted Services	\$2,000.00
10-560-0100	Telephone/Communication	\$2,500.00
10-560-0110	Utilities	\$4,500.00
10-560-0120	Maint/Repair Equipment	\$4,500.00
10-560-0121	Maint/Repair Autos	\$4,500.00
10-560-0122	Auto Fuel	\$57,000.00
10-560-0123	Supplies Autos	\$2,000.00
10-560-0124	Tires Auto	\$3,000.00
10-560-0126	Grounds Maintenance	\$1,000.00
10-560-0127	Building Maintenance	\$1,000.00
10-560-0140	Department Supplies	\$15,000.00
10-560-0191	Uniform Purchase	\$7,500.00
10-560-0700	Purchase of Equipment	\$2,000.00
10-560-0800	Capital Outlay	<u>\$120,000.00</u>
		\$516,775.00

Sanitation

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
10-570-0020	Salaries	\$106,114.00
10-570-0025	Overtime	\$6,500.00
10-570-0030	FICA	\$8,490.00

10-570-0040	Group Insurance	\$20,000.00
10-570-0050	State Retirement	\$13,636.00
10-570-0051	401K Retirement	\$5,306.00
10-570-0119	Maint/Repair Garbage Truck	\$5,000.00
10-570-0122	Fuel Garbage Vehicles	\$12,000.00
10-570-0124	Tires Garbage Vehicles	\$20,000.00
10-570-0400	Garbage Disposal	<u>\$135,000.00</u>
		\$332,046.00

Non-Departmental

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
10-580-0070	Workers Compensation	\$20,000.00
10-580-0080	Property/Liability Insurance	\$50,000.00
10-580-0700	Capital Outlay	
10-580-1000	Drug Testing	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
		\$75,000.00

Total General Fund Revenues	\$2,846,700.00
Total General Fund Expenses	\$2,796,277.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$50,423.00

Utility Fund Revenues

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
60-301-0000	Water Revenue	\$724,500.00
60-301-1000	Sewer Revenue	\$691,500.00
60-301-1001	Base Charges	\$268,800.00
60-301-2000	Connection Fees	\$12,000.00
60-301-4000	Reconnection Fees/Penalties	\$65,000.00
60-303-4000	Miscellaneous	\$15,000.00
60-303-5000	System Development Fee	<u>\$20,000.00</u>
		\$1,796,800.00

Admin & Engineering

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
60-615-0020	Salaries	\$89,643.00
60-615-0030	FICA	\$7,172.00
60-615-0040	Group Insurance	\$24,000.00
60-615-0050	State Retirement	\$11,520.00
60-615-0051	401K Retirement	\$44,083.00
60-615-0090	Professional Services	\$3,500.00
60-615-0140	Department Supplies	\$4,000.00
60-615-0105	Postage	<u>\$10,000.00</u>
		\$193,918.00

Non-Departmental

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
60-680-0070	Workers Compensation	\$10,000.00
60-680-0080	Property/Liability Insurance	<u>\$7,500.00</u>
		\$17,500.00

Water

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
60-710-0020	Salaries	\$134,477.00
60-710-0025	Overtime	\$4,500.00
60-710-0030	FICA	\$10,759.00
60-710-0040	Group Insurance	\$20,000.00
60-710-0050	State Retirement	\$17,281.00
60-710-0051	401K Retirement	\$6,724.00
60-710-0080	Employee Training	\$1,000.00
60-710-0090	Professional Services	\$10,000.00
60-710-0095	Contracted Services	\$5,000.00
60-710-0121	Maint/Repair Autos	\$3,500.00
60-710-0122	Maint/Repair Equipment	\$8,000.00
60-710-0124	Tires for Water Vehicles	\$1,000.00
60-710-0130	Meter Replacement	\$12,500.00
60-710-0140	Department Supplies	\$50,000.00
60-710-0191	Uniforms/Shoe Purchase	\$2,000.00
60-710-0410	Testing of Water	\$6,500.00
60-710-0500	Water Purchased	\$462,000.00
60-710-0995	Bank Service Fee	\$7,000.00
60-710-0800	Capital Outlay	
		<hr/> \$762,241.00

Sewer

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
60-815-0020	Salaries	\$105,382.00
60-815-0025	Overtime	\$5,000.00
60-815-0030	FICA	\$8,431.00
60-815-0040	Group Insurance	\$20,000.00
60-815-0050	State Retirement	\$12,543.00
60-815-0051	401K Retirement	\$5,270.00
60-815-0080	Employee Training	\$1,000.00
60-815-0090	Professional Services	\$15,000.00
60-815-0100	Telephone/Communications	\$4,000.00
60-815-0110	Utilities	\$16,000.00
60-815-0120	Maint/Repair Equipment	\$10,000.00

60-815-0122	Maint/Repair Autos	\$5,000.00
60-815-0024	Tires for Sewer Vehicles	\$1,000.00
60-815-0140	Department Supplies	\$50,000.00
60-815-0191	Uniforms/Shoe Purchase	\$3,500.00
60-815-0400	Sludge Removal	\$3,000.00
60-815-0500	Sewer Services Purchased	<u>\$500,000.00</u>
		\$765,126.00

Total Utility Fund Revenues	\$1,796,800.00
Total Utility Fund Expenses	\$1,738,785.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$58,015.00

Stormwater Revenue

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
61-601-0000	Stormwater Fees	<u>\$60,000.00</u>
		\$60,000.00

Stormwater

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
61-810-0020	Salaries	\$20,000.00
61-810-0030	FICA	\$1,600.00
61-810-0040	Group Insurance	\$4,000.00
61-810-0050	State Retirement	\$2,570.00
61-810-0051	401K Retirement	\$1,000.00
61-810-0140	Department Supplies	<u>\$30,500.00</u>
		\$59,670.00

	Total Stormwater Fund Revenues	\$60,000.00
	Total Stormwater Fund Expenses	\$59,670.00
	Surplus (Deficit)	\$330.00

Powell Bill Revenue

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
70-302-7000	Interest on Investments	\$1,000.00
70-303-2000	Powell Bill Income	\$90,000.00
70-306-0000	Fund Balance Appropriated	<u>\$29,000.00</u>
		\$120,000.00

Powell Bill

#	Line Item Description	FY24 Budget
70-570-0122	Maint/Repair Streets	\$60,000.00
70-570-0140	Department Supplies	\$30,000.00
70-570-0800	Capital Outlay	<u>\$30,000.00</u>
		\$120,000.00

Total Powell Bill Fund Revenues	\$120,000.00
Total Powell Bill Fund Expenses	\$120,000.00
Surplus (Deficit)	\$-



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Grant Project Ordinance for the Town of Ranlo Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Infrastructure Grant (NCDEQ Grant)

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Ranlo, North Carolina that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1: This ordinance is to establish a budget for a project to be funded by American Rescue Plant Act funding from the North Carolina Session Law 2021, Appropriations Act, also known as Senate Bill 105, referenced as follows:

1. \$2,824,200.00 Reference Page 311, Item 17, Lines 28-29 for a grant to provide to the Town of Ranlo for water and waste-water infrastructure projects..

Section 2: The following amounts are appropriated for the project and authorized for expenditure:

- | | |
|---|----------------|
| 1. South Ranlo Waterline Replacement Project: | \$2,067,130.00 |
| 2. AMR Meter Replacement System: | \$1,039,005.00 |
| 3. Ranlo Avenue Waterline Extension: | \$261,165.00 |

Section 3: The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

NCDEQ Grant Funds:	\$2,824,200.00
General Fund Transfer:	\$543,100.00
Total:	\$3,367,300.00

Section 4: The Town Manager and/or the Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the grantor agency and the grant agreements.

Section 5: The Town Manager and/or Finance Officer is hereby directed to report the financial status of the project to the governing board as required.

Section 6: Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget Officer, the Finance Officer and to the Clerk to Board of Commissioners.

Section 7: This grant project ordinance expires when all the projects have been completed and the SCIF monies have been expended by the Town.

Adopted this 14th day of April 2022.

Lynn Black, Mayor

Sarah Rowan, Town Clerk



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Grant Project Ordinance for the Town of Ranlo State Capital and Infrastructure (SCIF) Grants

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Ranlo, North Carolina that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1: This ordinance is to establish a budget for a project to be funded by North Carolina Session Law 2021.18 Section referenced as following:

1. \$3,592,750.00 Reference H-52, Item 540 for a grant to provide to the Town of Ranlo for ADA accessibility upgrades to sidewalks and infrastructure improvements.

Section 2: The following amounts are appropriated for the project and authorized for expenditure:

- | | |
|--|----------------|
| 1. Boulder Court Restoration: | \$1,503,560.00 |
| 2. Ranlo Avenue Roadway Extension: | \$394,500.00 |
| 3. The Lodge and Community Building Renovations and Upfitting: | \$972,000.00 |
| 4. Sidewalk Repair and Extensions | \$722,690.00 |

Section 3: The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

SCIF Funds:	\$3,592,750.00
General Fund Transfer:	\$0
Total:	\$3,592,750.00

Section 4: The Town Manager and/or the Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the grantor agency and the grant agreements.

Section 5: The Town Manager and/or Finance Officer is hereby directed to report the financial status of the project to the governing board as required.

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Section 7: This grant project ordinance expires when all the projects have been completed and the SCIF monies have been expended by the Town.

Adopted this 14th day of April 2022.

Lynn Black, Mayor

Sarah Rowan, Town Clerk



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Grant Project Ordinance for the Town of Ranlo American Rescue Plan Act of 2021: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

BE IT ORDAINED by the Ranlo Board of Commissioners, North Carolina that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted:

Section 1: This ordinance is to establish a budget for a project to be funded by the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP/CSLFRF). The Town of Ranlo (Town) has received \$1,168,982.22. These funds may be used for the following categories of expenditures, to the extent authorized by state law.

1. Support public health expenditures, by funding COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff;
2. Address negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency, including economic harms to workers, households, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector;
3. Replace lost public sector revenue, using this funding to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic;
4. Provide premium pay for essential workers, offering additional support to those who have borne and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors; and,
5. Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, and to expand access to broadband internet.

Section 2: The Town has elected to take the standard allowance, as authorized by 31 CFR Part 35.6(d)(1) and expend all its ARP/CSLFRF funds for the provision of government services.

Section 3: The following amounts are appropriate for the project and authorized for expenditure:

Internal Project Code	Project Description	Expenditure Category (EC)	Cost Object	Appropriation of ARP/CSLFRF Funds
001	Law Enforcement Services for period of March 3, 2021 through March 31, 2022	6.1	Salaries	\$630,708.73

002	Public Works Services for period of March 3, 2021 through March 31, 2022	6.1	Salaries	\$188,360.49
003	Sanitation Services for period of March 3, 2021 through March 31, 2022	6.1	Salaries	\$74,406.06
004	Finance and Administration Services for period of March 3, 2021 through March 31, 2022	6.1	Salaries	\$154,605.52
005	Parks and Recreation Services for period of March 3, 2021 through March 31, 2022	6.1	Salaries	\$39,719.29
006	Water Department Services for period of March 3, 2021 through March 31, 2022	6.1	Salaries	\$81,182.13
	TOTAL			\$1,168,982.22

Section 4: The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

ARP/CSLFRF Funds: \$1,168,982.22
Total: \$1,168,982.22

Section 5: The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the grantor agency and the grant agreements, including payroll documentation and effort certifications, in accordance with 2 CFR 200.430 & 2 CFR 200.431 and the Town's Uniform Guidance Allowable Costs and Cost Principles Policy.

Section 6: The Finance Officer is hereby directed to report the financial status of the project to the governing board on a quarterly basis.

Section 7: Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget Officer, the Finance Officer and to the Clerk to Town Council.

Section 8: This grant project ordinance is effective as of May 4, 2023, and expires on December 31, 2026, or when all the ARP/CSLFRF funds have been obligated and expended by the Town, whichever occurs sooner.

Lynn Black, Mayor

Sarah Rowan, Ranlo Town Clerk