



GROVER C. ROBINSON, IV
Mayor

July 21, 2020

Board of County Commissioners, Escambia County, Florida
221 Palafox Place
Suite 400
Pensacola, FL 32502

Dear Chairman Barry:

I would like to take the opportunity to commend your staff on the job they did to create the outlines of an expenditure plan for the CARES Act allocation to local governments. The City is pleased to follow that outline when requesting CARES Act funding from this allocation for programs and efforts within the city limits.

The City's requests attempts to follow the outline of the County's plan for COVID response and utilizes the sharing formula established in state statute for the Half-Cent Sales Tax. Included in our request is substantial funding for economic recovery both for individuals and small businesses as well as mental health services for first responders and infrastructure to assist our homeless population during this time of crisis.

We believe it is essential that the City and the County work together during this pandemic to reduce the spread Covid19 and to assist individuals and small businesses recover from this global pandemic. However, it was communicated to us that cities would obtain direct CARES Act funding through the counties, and this funding is essential to the City serving the needs of its specific constituency.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. The entire City staff and I stand ready to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Grover C. Robinson IV". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Grover C. Robinson IV
Mayor

c: The Honorable Board of County Commissioners
Janice Gilley, County Administrator