



CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Agenda

***Special Meeting
Hybrid***

***Monday, August 29, 2022
at 5 pm***

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

Please click this URL to join.

<https://readingpa.zoom.us/j/82740856452?pwd=RHR5cmNqMjExSkU3aktXM041TVJHUT09>

Passcode: 375416

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RULES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Administrative Code, Section § 5-209 defines public participation at Council meetings.

1. Citizens who wish to make public comment must pre-register following the instructions in Agenda #3 Public Comment on this agenda.
2. Citizens attending Council meetings are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible and respectful manner that does not disrupt the meeting.
3. Those wishing to have conversations should do so in the hall outside Council Chambers in a low speaking voice.
4. Public comment will occur only during the Public Comment period listed on the agenda. Comment must be directed to Council as a body and not to any individual Council member or public or elected official in attendance. Clapping, calling out, and/or cheering when a speaker finishes his comments is not permitted.
5. Citizens may not approach the Council tables at any time during the meeting.
6. Any person making threats of any type, personally offensive or impertinent remarks or any person becoming unruly while addressing Council may be called

to order by the Presiding Officer and may be barred from speaking, removed from Council Chambers and/or cited.

7. Failure to abide by these regulations could result in your removal from Council Chambers and/or a citation. These regulations are meant to avoid disruptions at the meeting and they are not meant to interfere with public participation.

1. OPENING MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

D. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA MATTERS:

Public Comment Instructions:

- To comment at a Regular Business Meeting, citizens can register by calling or emailing the City Clerk's Office by noon on the day of the regular meeting. Instructions to access the virtual meeting app or dial-in will be provided upon registration. Call 610-655-6205 or e-mail council@readingpa.gov
- Public comment for Regular Business meetings will also be accepted in writing by 4pm on the day of the meeting through an e-mail to council@readingpa.gov. The message must clearly be marked as Public Comment. The comment received in writing will be read into the record at the Regular Meeting.
 - Those wishing to provide in-person comment at a Regular Meeting in Council Chambers must register with the City Clerk no later than 4 pm on the day of the meeting by calling 610-655-6204 or emailing council@readingpa.gov. Citizens may also register by printing their name, address and the subject matter to be discussed on a sign-up sheet found on the podium in Council Chambers between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the scheduled meeting. Citizens may also choose to submit written public comment via letter or email by sending a letter or email clearly marked “public comment” by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.
 - Public speaking rules adopted by Council allow those speaking on agenda matters to speak for 5 minutes and 3 minutes for non-agenda matters.
 - Comments posted in Zoom Chat and on Facebook are not considered public comment and a response may not occur.

All remarks must be directed to Council as a body and not to any individual Council member or public or elected official in attendance. Any comment that is personally offensive or impertinent will not be read into the record. Comments on agenda matters are limited to 5 minutes in length and comments on non-agenda matters are limited to 3 minutes in length.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. AGENDA: Special Meeting of August 29, 2022

4. INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance – The Village of Reading – ~~\$195,000~~ *\$143,600* ARPA Grant Funding Allocation

B. Ordinance – Million Youth Chess Club – ~~\$2,500~~ *\$5,820* ARPA Grant Funding Allocation

C. Ordinance – Reading Pride – ~~\$30,000~~ *\$50,000* ARPA Grant Funding Allocation

D. Ordinance – Star City Boxing Co – ~~\$200,000~~ *\$215,963* ARPA Grant Funding Allocation

5. ADJOURN

Drafted by
Sponsored by/Referred by
Introduced on
Advertised on

Deputy MD/Finance Director
Mayor/Council
August 22, 2022
N/A

ORDINANCE NO. _____-2022

AUTHORIZING A ~~\$195,000~~ \$143,600 ALLOCATION FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING TO THE VILLAGE OF READING.

Whereas, an omnibus bill allocating funding from the City of Reading’s award pursuant American Rescue Plan Act to various groups was introduced at the August 8, 2022 City Council Meeting; and

Whereas, City Council has requested that the omnibus bill be withdrawn and replaced with a standalone bill for each allocation.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing “WHEREAS” recitals are hereby ratified as being true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City of Reading hereby appropriates ~~\$195,000~~ \$143,600 in American Rescue Plan Act funding to Village of Reading.

Section 3. The Appropriations will be made from the ARP Fund.

Section 4. A representative from the recipients of the allocation made pursuant to this ordinance shall participate in an orientation presentation provided by the City or its designee as a prerequisite to receiving the allocated funds. They will also be required to enter into a grant agreement detailing the terms of funding disbursement as well as reporting and compliance requirements under the grant.

Section 5: This Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after its adoption in accordance with 219 and 221 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Reading.

ENACTED _____, 2022

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Submitted to Mayor by: _____
Date Submitted: _____
Received in Mayor's Office by: _____
Date Received: _____
Approved by Mayor: _____
Date Approved: _____
Vetoed by Mayor: _____
Date Vetoed: _____

Drafted by Deputy MD/Finance Director
Sponsored by/Referred by Mayor/Council
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ORDINANCE NO. ____-2022

AUTHORIZING A ~~\$2,500~~ \$5,820 ALLOCATION FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING TO THE MILLION YOUTH CHESS CLUB.

Whereas, an omnibus bill allocating funding from the City of Reading's award pursuant American Rescue Plan Act to various groups was introduced at the August 8, 2022 City Council Meeting; and

Whereas, City Council has requested that the omnibus bill be withdrawn and replaced with a standalone bill for each allocation.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing "WHEREAS" recitals are hereby ratified as being true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City of Reading hereby appropriates ~~\$2,500~~ **\$5,820** in American Rescue Plan Act funding to the Million Youth Chess Club.

Section 3. The Appropriations will be made from the ARP Fund.

Section 4. A representative from the recipients of the allocation made pursuant to this ordinance shall participate in an orientation presentation provided by the City or its designee as a prerequisite to receiving the allocated funds. They will also be required to enter into a grant agreement detailing the terms of funding disbursement as well as reporting and compliance requirements under the grant.

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ORDINANCE NO. ____-2022

AUTHORIZING A ~~\$30,000~~ \$50,000 ALLOCATION FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING TO READING PRIDE

Whereas, an omnibus bill allocating funding from the City of Reading’s award pursuant American Rescue Plan Act to various groups was introduced at the August 8, 2022 City Council Meeting; and

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Section 2. The City of Reading hereby appropriates ~~\$30,000~~ **\$50,000** in American Rescue Plan Act funding to Reading Pride.

Section 3. The Appropriations will be made from the ARP Fund.

Section 4. A representative from the recipients of the allocation made pursuant to this ordinance shall participate in an orientation presentation provided by the City or its designee as a prerequisite to receiving the allocated funds. They will also be required to enter into a grant agreement detailing the terms of funding disbursement as well as reporting and compliance requirements under the grant.

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ORDINANCE NO. ____-2022

AUTHORIZING A ~~\$200,000~~ \$215,963 ALLOCATION FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING TO STAR CITY BOXING CO.

Whereas, an omnibus bill allocating funding from the City of Reading's award pursuant American Rescue Plan Act to various groups was introduced at the August 8, 2022 City Council Meeting; and

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Section 1. The foregoing "WHEREAS" recitals are hereby ratified as being true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City of Reading hereby appropriates ~~\$200,000~~ \$215,963 in American Rescue Plan Act funding to Star City Boxing Co.

Section 3. The Appropriations will be made from the ARP Fund.

Section 4. A representative from the recipients of the allocation made pursuant to this ordinance shall participate in an orientation presentation provided by the City or its

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