

RESOLUTION NO. 21 - _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NAPERVILLE APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TEMPORARY UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LOAVES & FISHES COMMUNITY SERVICES

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 global pandemic has created a financial hardship for residents and businesses in the Naperville community making it difficult for some to remain current on City electric and water utility bills; and,

WHEREAS, the City seeks to provide financial assistance where appropriate and necessary to residents and businesses to maintain utility services; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPERVILLE, COUNTIES OF DUPAGE AND WILL, ILLINOIS, in exercise of its home rule authority, as follows:

SECTION 1: The City shall establish a temporary utility assistance program and fund said program in the amount of \$500,000, as approved in the 2021 Annual Budget. Said program may provide financial assistance up to \$300 for qualifying residential utility customers of the City of Naperville and up to \$1,500 for qualifying commercial utility customers of the City of Naperville.

SECTION 2: The City is authorized to partner with Loaves & Fishes Community Services for the administration of portions of the utility assistance program. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Loaves & Fishes in a form that is acceptable to him and take such actions as necessary to implement said agreement, including authorizing reasonable administrative fee payments to Loaves & Fishes from the temporary utility assistance program for administering the assistance program.

SECTION 3: The suspension of utility service disconnections, as previously established through Executive Order 2020-06 and later terminated, shall remain in effect until April 1, 2021, to provide adequate time for customers to seek financial assistance.

SECTION 4: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2021.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2021.

Steve Chirico
Mayor

ATTEST:

Pam Gallahue, Ph. D.
City Clerk