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TO: Council President Pro Tem Tate

FR: Antoine Bryant, Director - Planning and Development Department

RE: Planning and Development Department's (PDD) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funded Projects, Programs and Priorities

This reply is offered in follow-up to your memo of July 11, 2024, requesting 1) a list of PDD projects fully funded by ARPA, 2) a list of PDD projects partially funded by ARPA, and 3) any plans for prioritizing and funding these projects after the federal 2026 ARPA spending deadline.

No ARPA funding was allocated to PDD. Instead, PDD partnered with the General Services Department (GSD) on the Joe Louis Greenway (JLG) development by leading a planning study of neighborhoods adjoining the Greenway. This study was funded through GSD's ARPA budget and includes two full-time temporary administrative services specialist (TASS) employees hired by GSD and assigned to PDD. In April, PDD offered permanent employment to one of the JLG TASS employees at the conclusion of their project work. We will continue to manage the JLG work of the second TASS hire for the project's final year.

Additionally, we are pleased to announce that the JLG Neighborhood Planning Study will be complete this fall. To learn more about the neighborhood planning study, please visit: <https://detroitmi.gov/departments/planning-and-development-department/joe-louis-greenway-neighborhood-planning-study>.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information.

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