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TO: Finance Committee
FROM: Tony Saucerman, Finance Director
DATE: June 8, 2020
RE: **State of Wisconsin "Routes to Recovery" Grant**

On May 27, 2020, Governor Evers announced the "Routes to Recovery: Local Government Aid Grants" program to help municipalities and counties cover unanticipated costs related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Grants will cover reimbursements for the following unbudgeted expenses:

- * Emergency operation activities, including those related to public health, emergency services, and public safety response
- * Purchases of personal protective equipment
- * Cleaning/sanitizing supplies and services, including those related to elections administration
- * Temporary isolation housing for infected or at-risk individuals
- * Testing and contact tracing costs above those covered by existing State programs
- * FMLA and sick leave for public health and safety employees to take COVID-19 precautions
- * Meeting local match requirements for expenses submitted for reimbursement by FEMA, to the full extent permitted by federal law

The Department of Administration (DOA) will administer the grant program. The effort is funded by \$200 million in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act dollars. Of the \$200 million, \$10 million will be allocated to Wisconsin's tribal nations, with the remaining funds being available for distribution to every Wisconsin county, city, village and town.

The amount allocated to the City of Appleton is \$1,215,072.

I am requesting the Finance Committee approve the award of this grant allocation and the related 2020 Budget adjustment. As always, feel free to contact me if you have any questions on this request.