

**ORDINANCE NO. 6098 OF 2021**

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND TO PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATION OF \$50,000 FOR A WASTEWATER PROGRAM FOR COVID-19 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the emergence of the SARS-CoV-2/COVID-19 pandemic has created a public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, integrated testing and surveillance systems is currently our best line of defense against the virus; and

WHEREAS, testing viral loads in municipal sewer systems can provide an early-warning system for emerging infectious outbreaks that can direct valuable resources to the unique and vulnerable communities of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, testing viral loads in municipal sewer systems can provide the more accurate measure of prevalence of COVID and COVID variants in a community; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana State University Health Science Center has been awarded \$100,000 from the Community Foundation assuming a half match from the City of Shreveport and the Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission would like to appropriate \$50,000 toward the Wastewater Program; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the 2021 American Rescue Plan Fund to provide an appropriation of \$50,000 the Wastewater Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the American Rescue Plan Fund for the year 2021 is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>Budget Increase (Decrease)</u>
<b><u>American Rescue Plan Fund</u></b>	
Wastewater Program	\$50,000
Fund Balance	(\$50,000)

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved as to legal form:

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Parish Attorney

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Date