



COMMISSIONERS COURT  
COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE: 04/04/2023

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL TO RELEASE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE  
PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE OF CLAIMS ADDENDUM**

**\*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\***

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the Tarrant County Auditor to release certain rent and utility payments in advance of approval of the relevant Claims Addendum when Commissioners Court meetings are not scheduled to meet between April 1, 2023 and June 30, 2023. These payments are made pursuant to the Tarrant County Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) and Lease Incentive Program (LIP), created by the Commissioners Court. Each program outlines the eligibility requirements that must be met for a properly paid claim. By virtue of qualification under each program, the Commissioners Court has made the determination that each claim meets the eligibility requirements and is properly payable.

**BACKGROUND**

Assistance payments for Tarrant County's Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) and Lease Incentive Program (LIP) routinely appear on the weekly Claims Addendum for Commissioners Court approval prior to being released by the County Auditor. Due to the amended frequency of the Commissioners Court meetings, payments that would have otherwise been scheduled for approval on a weekly basis will be delayed, causing additional hardship to ERAP and LIP recipients.

With this action, the County Auditor will be authorized to release payments that have been reviewed and approved per program policies between April 1, 2023 and June 30, 2023 prior to placing them on the Claims Addendum for Commissioners Court approval.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

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