TO:

PASADENA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

FROM:

CYNTHIA J. KURTZ, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SUBJECT:

SUBMITTAL OF TWO APPLICATIONS FOR HOUSING & HOMELESS

PROGRAM FUNDING TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Pasadena Community Development Commission ("Commission") adopt a resolution:

- 1) Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to file with the Los Angeles County Community Development Commission (LACDC) two applications for Housing & Homeless Program (HHP) funds for a total funding request of \$1,186,720 for two projects; and
- Authorizing the CEO to negotiate and execute, and the Secretary to attest, the LACDC HHP Application and all other related documents, agreements, and amendments.

ADVISORY BODY RECOMMENDATION:

At the time of writing the report, the Community Development Committee (CDC) had not met. They are scheduled to meet on September 27, 2007. Staff will give an oral update on the CDC recommendation.

BACKGROUND:

On July 17, 2007, The County of Los Angeles (County) and LACDC released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for HHP City/Community Programs. This RFP makes funds available throughout the County to support projects whose aim is to prevent or end homelessness. The deadline for the Commission to submit an application in response to the RFP is October 15, 2007. Countywide, approximately \$35 million is available in competitive grant funding under this program. Projects which are selected for funding will receive three years of funding from the County.

The Commission is proposing two projects for submittal: Nehemiah Courts, which will provide 12 units of permanent supportive housing for homeless individuals; and the Homeless Prevention Program, which provides services and case management to assist households at-risk of homelessness to remain housed. The HHP application for Nehemiah Courts requests \$961,270 through the Capital Programs funding stream. Countywide, \$11.6 million is available to support capital development projects, including operations and services within these projects. The Nehemiah Courts application

requests \$750,000 for new construction, \$150,000 for operations, and \$61,270 to fund services. The HHP application for the Homeless Prevention Program requests \$225,000 through the Services Only funding stream. The Homeless Prevention Program application requests funding for case management ,short-term rental assistance and eviction prevention assistance. Countywide, \$20.4 million is available to support Services Only projects.

HOUSING IMPACT:

Approval of the subject recommendation has the potential to provide permanent housing for 12 homeless individuals at any given time, and assist 20 at-risk households per month to remain in housing. The proposed projects are in accordance with the approved Pasadena Continuum of Care system, City of Pasadena's General Plan (Housing Element), Five-Year Consolidated Plan 2005 – 2010, the Commission's Five-Year Implementation Plan, Five-Year Public Housing Agency Plan, and the Ten-Year Strategy To End Homelessness.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Submittal of the two HHHP Applications and subsequent approval by LACDC will contribute over \$1.18 million to enhance the local Continuum of Care system and enhance the services available to the homeless and at-risk to homelessness population residing within the City of Pasadena.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chief Executive Officer

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Reviewed & Approved by:

Brian K. Williams Assistant City Manager

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE PASADENA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ("COMMISSION") AUTHORIZING THE FILING WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, TWO APPLICATIONS FOR HOUSING & HOMELESS PROGRAM FUNDS (HHP) FOR A TOTAL FUNDING REQUEST OF \$1,186,720; AND AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ("CEO") TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE, AND THE SECRETARY TO ATTEST, THE HHP APPLICATION AND ALL OTHER SUBSEQUENT DOCUMENTS, AGREEMENTS, AND AMENDMENTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Pasadena ("the City") is a municipal corporation which exercises governmental functions and powers, and is a chartered city organized and existing under the laws of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Pasadena Community Development Commission (the "Commission") has been duly created, established and authorized to transact business and exercise its powers under and pursuant to the Community Redevelopment Law (Part1 of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California); and

WHEREAS, after publication of notice, the subject recommendation was reviewed and supported by the Housing Subcommittee of the Community Development Committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Pasadena Community Development Commission as follows:

- 1. The filing with the Community Development Commission of Los Angeles County of the HHP Application for a total funding request of \$1,186,720 for two projects is hereby authorized.
- 2. The CEO is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute, and the Secretary attest, on behalf of the Commission the HHP Application and all other subsequent documents, agreements, and amendments.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the Pasadena Community Development Commission on the 1st day of October, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

JANE L. RODRIGUEZ, CMC SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brad L. Fuller

Assistant General Counsel