



Agenda Report

August 21, 2017

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Housing and Career Services Department

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF AMENDED RESOLUTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY FOR CONTINUUM OF CARE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT FUNDS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Find that the recommended action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines per Section 15061 (b)(3), the "General Rule" that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- 2) Adopt an amended Resolution, certifying that any funds received through the submittal of an Application in the amount of \$150,212 in response to the amended Notice of Funding Availability ("NOFA") issued by the State Department of Housing and Community Development to receive Emergency Solutions Grant funding for eligible homeless programs will be used in a manner consistent with all applicable state, federal and other statutes, rules, regulations, guidelines, and laws regarding the ESG Program; and
- 3) Authorize the City Manager to certify or execute, and the City Clerk to attest, the Application and all other related documents, agreements and amendments.

BACKGROUND:

On July 10, 2017, City Council authorized the submittal of an application in response to a NOFA for Emergency Solutions Grant funding and approved the adoption of a Resolution certifying that any funding awarded to the City as part of the NOFA will be used in a manner consistent with all applicable state, federal and other statutes, rules, regulations, guidelines, and laws regarding the ESG Program, as well as in compliance

with the contract the City will enter into with the State. The application deadline under the NOFA was July 17, 2017. Subsequent to this authorization, the State amended the NOFA, extended the due date to September 1, 2017, and increased the funding allocation for which the City is eligible to apply from \$142,201 to \$150,212. This increase in the funding allocation requires the City to adopt an amended Resolution to reflect the higher allocation.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

Approval of the subject recommendation allows the City to submit an application to the State for the increased allocation, which has the potential to provide funding for housing and supportive services for homeless individuals/families in Pasadena, and supports and promotes the quality of life and the local economy -- a goal of the City Council's Strategic Objectives. Submittal of this Solicitation is in accordance with the Pasadena Continuum of Care system, General Plan Housing Element, Five-Year Consolidated Plan, and Five-Year Public Housing Authority Plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The action proposed herein is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3), the "General Rule" provision of CEQA which applies to projects which may have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. The submittal of an application to HCD for ESG grant funding will not have a significant effect on the environment and, hence, is not subject to CEQA.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of the recommended action will have no fiscal impact. In anticipation of the State award of funds when the City was selected by the State as an Administrative Entity, the ESG grant funds were included as revenue in the Department's adopted FY 2018 operating budget. The ESG funds require a 100% match. Most of these funds will be passed through to non-profit sub-recipient providers, who will supply the match. The City will retain administrative funds which would require approximately \$7,500 in General Funds in match, which was also included in the Department's adopted FY2018 operating budget.

Respectfully submitted,



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ATTACHMENT: Authorizing Resolution