

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2023-043

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ALLOCATION PLAN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD), AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE FUNDING AGREEMENTS WITH HUD AND ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATIONS REQUIRED BY HUD TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Home Investment Partnership – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program was created by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and appropriated \$5 billion to provide housing, services, and shelter to individuals experience homelessness and other vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa was awarded up to \$2,737,433 of HOME-ARP funds on September 23, 2021; and

WHEREAS, HOME-ARP funds must primarily benefit individuals or families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, other populations at risk of homelessness due to housing instability, or veterans and families that meet one of the preceding criteria; and

WHEREAS, HOME-ARP funds can be used for Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), development and support of affordable housing, provision of supportive services, and acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter (NCS) units; and

WHEREAS, selection of an eligible use for these funds is dictated by a public participation process determined by HUD, which began in December 2021 and includes comments received at this public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Community Services (HCS) has undertaken a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan consultation process, as required by HUD, to solicit input from the public, stakeholder agencies, the Housing Authority, the Continuum of Care (CoC) board, and has hosted a series of round table meetings in conjunction with the Sonoma County Community Development Commission (CDC) (the other HOME-ARP recipient in Sonoma County); and

WHEREAS, based on public comment and stakeholder feedback received, the recommended use for the HOME-ARP funds is for supportive services; and

WHEREAS, HUD requires the City to submit its plan indicating how it anticipates to distribute the HOME-ARP funds before March 31, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa authorizes the submittal of the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan to HUD, substantially in the form

attached as Exhibit A, with such minor or technical revisions as may be deemed necessary or appropriate by the City Manager and subject to approval by the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council hereby authorizes the City Manager or their designee to execute the funding agreements with HUD and any additional documentation required by HUD to implement the HOME-ARP Program.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 28th day of February, 2023.

AYES: (7) Mayor N. Rogers, Vice Mayor MacDonald, Council Members Alvarez, Fleming, Okrepkie, C. Rogers, Stapp

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
Deputy City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
City Attorney

Exhibit A - Draft City of Santa Rosa HOME-ARP Allocation Plan