

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2020-079

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF A SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 ACTION PLAN AND ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS FUNDS ALLOCATED UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT), AND ESTABLISH COVID-19 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, in May 2019, Council approved the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Action Plan outlining how Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds will be used; and

WHEREAS, a Substantial Amendment to the approved Action Plan is required by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) when a grantee moves federal funds from one eligible activity to another but is not a prerequisite to the use of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funds; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act, signed into law on March 29, 2020, allocated to the City of Santa Rosa additional HOPWA funds in the amount of \$65,180 and additional Community Development Block Grant – Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds in the amount of \$859,608, which funds are then allocated to the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Rosa for eligible activities as defined by HUD Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act waived the requirement to provide a 30-day public comment period and instead shortened the public comment period to five (5) days; and

WHEREAS, the draft Substantial Amendment was posted on the City's website and notice was provided through local print media outlets offering the public an opportunity to comment for a five (5) day period from May 5 to May 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act provided a waiver of the 15% cap on public services activities funded with CDBG and the City desires to re-allocate the remainder of its 2019/2020 CDBG funds, \$472,405, and use its CDBG-CV allocation to respond to and prevent additional spread of Coronavirus within the community of persons experiencing homelessness, an eligible public services activity; and

WHEREAS, the HOPWA funds provided through the CARES Act will be used for the eligible activities of providing housing and supportive services for low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to re-allocate the remainder of its 2019/2020 HOME funds from housing production to provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) to Santa Rosa residents whose ability to pay housing costs has been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and the associated Shelter-in-Place ordered by the Sonoma County Health Officer and the State of California; and

WHEREAS, it has been the Council's practice to authorize submittal of the City's Action Plan each year and, now, in May 2020, wishes to authorize the submittal of the Substantial Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Action Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa approves and authorizes submittal of a Substantial Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Action Plan that reprograms CDBG funds from housing production to public services and reprograms HOME funds from housing production to Rental Assistance, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Director of Housing & Community Services to execute an amendment to the 2019/2020 Grant Agreement for HOPWA Funds with Face to Face, in substantially the same form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Director of Housing & Community Services to execute all professional services and grant agreements required to carry out the public services needed to expend the CDBG and CDBG-CV funds allocated for these services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the City Manager to execute all amendments to the City's federal funding agreements for HOPWA and CDBG and any additional documents required by HUD to implement the CARES Act funding.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to (1) establish a new Charge Key in Fund 2293 to be used for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance and to reallocate Six Hundred Twenty Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Eight and no/100 Dollars (\$620,438) in HOME funds previously allocated to Charge Key 340105 to the new Charge Key as defined in the Substantial Amendment; (2) re-allocate Four Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Four Hundred Five and no/100 Dollars (\$472,405) in Fund 2280/Key 340302 to Fund 2280/JL Key 42006 to be used for eligible CDBG public services costs; (3) increase budgeted revenue in Fund 2282/Object 4411 in the amount of Sixty-five Thousand One Hundred Eighty and no/100 Dollars (\$65,180) with the source of funds being Federal CARES Act HOPWA funding, and appropriate those funds into Fund 2282/Key 340112 to be used for eligible HOPWA expenditures; and (4) increase budgeted revenue in Fund 2280/Object 4411 in the amount of Eight Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Eight and no/100 Dollars (\$859,608) with the source of funds being Federal CARES Act CDBG-CV funding, and appropriate those funds into Fund 2280/Key JL 42006 to be used for eligible CDBG public services costs.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 19th day of May, 2020.

AYES: (7) Mayor Schwedhelm, Vice Mayor Fleming, Council Members Dowd, Olivares, Rogers, Sawyer, Tibbetts

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

Exhibit A – Substantial Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Action Plan
Exhibit B – Second Amendment to Grant Agreement with Face to Face for HOPWA Services