

RES 23-023

Wilmington, Delaware
May 18, 2023

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Sponsor:

Council
Member
Cabrera

WHEREAS, the City of Wilmington (the “City”) is an “Entitlement Community” for purposes of the Community Development Block Grant Program (the “CDBG Program”), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (the “HOME Program”), the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (the “ESG Program”), and the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Program (the “HOPWA Program”); and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) regulations require a consolidated application process for funds for the CDBG Program, the HOME Program, the ESG Program, and the HOPWA Program; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2019, City Council adopted Resolution 19-018, which approved the City’s annual action plan budget for City fiscal year 2020 (the “City Fiscal Year 2020 Plan Budget”) and authorized the Mayor to submit it to HUD; and

WHEREAS, the City fiscal year 2020 corresponds with the federal fiscal year 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act of 2020 (the “CARES Act”) made available supplemental CDBG Program, ESG Program, and HOPWA Program (“CDBG-CV Program”, “ESG-CV Program”, and “HOPWA-CV Program”, respectively) funding for grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic (“CDBG-CV Grants”, “ESG-CV Grants”, and “HOPWA-CV Grants”, respectively); and

WHEREAS, on May 28, 2020, City Council adopted Resolution 20-024, which approved the first substantial amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2020 Plan Budget outlining

the proposed use of the first tranche of funds received by the City pursuant to the CARES Act for CDBG-CV Grants, ESG-CV Grants, and HOPWA-CV Grants; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2020, City Council adopted Resolution 20-045, which approved the second substantial amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2020 Plan Budget correcting a typographical error in the City Fiscal Year 2020 Plan Budget and providing for the use of previously unexpended HOME Program funds for the construction of a seventy-four-unit, low-income housing tax credit project at 1400 Todd Lane, to be known as Phase I of the Reach Riverside Redevelopment Project; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2020, City Council adopted Resolution 20-062, which approved the third substantial amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2020 Plan Budget outlining the proposed use of the second tranche of funds received by the City pursuant to the CARES Act for ESG-CV Grants; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2020, City Council adopted Resolution 20-076, which approved the fourth substantial amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2020 Plan Budget outlining the proposed use of the second tranche of funds received by the City pursuant to the CARES Act for CDBG-CV Grants; and

WHEREAS, the City has \$342,134 in unexpended funding from the CARES Act that it would like to allocate for certain CDBG-CV Grants, ESG-CV Grants, and HOPWA-CV Grants prior to the upcoming deadlines to expend such funds (collectively, the “Unexpended CV Funds); and

WHEREAS, the City has prepared a fifth substantial amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2020 Plan Budget (the “Substantial Amendment”) outlining the proposed use of the Unexpended CV Funds, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment “A”; and

WHEREAS, City Council's Community Development and Urban Planning Committee and the Mayor's Office have reached a consensus with respect to specific categories of spending and the amount of funds to be allocated to each such category in the Substantial Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the referenced HUD regulations require that certain public participation requirements must be satisfied regarding proposed substantial amendments to Consolidated Plans, and the City has met such requirements with respect to the Substantial Amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that Mayor Michael S. Purzycki, or his designee, is hereby authorized to submit the Substantial Amendment to HUD, which allocates \$140,902.60 for CDBG-CV Grants, \$135,000.00 for ESG-CV Grants, and \$66,232.29 for HOPWA-CV Grants, which together comprise a total Substantial Amendment of \$342,134.89.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council hereby endorses the specific enumeration of categories and amounts set forth in the Substantial Amendment, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "A" and made a part hereof, and so endorses said enumeration, with the understanding that the Mayor's Office will expend funds and administer the funding program in a manner consistent with said enumeration and will review substantial changes, as defined by the Consolidated Plan regulations, in the enumeration of categories and amounts with the Community Development and Urban Planning Committee of City Council prior to the implementation of any such changes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Michael S. Purzycki, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute and submit the Substantial Amendment to HUD and he, or his designee, is hereby further authorized to certify to such matters as the Secretary of HUD may

require with the application, to provide additional information as may be required, and to administer and expend such funds as are received or become available in accordance with the Consolidated Plan regulations and the regulations governing the CARES ACT and the CDBG-CV Program, the ESG-CV Program, and the HOPWA-CV Program.

Passed by City Council,
May 18, 2023

ATTEST: 
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, to file a Substantial Amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Action Plan Budget with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding additional CDBG-CV, ESG-CV, and HOPWA-CV funding that is available pursuant to the CARES Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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ATTACHMENT A

CDBG-CV

Catholic Charities, Inc. - Homeless Prevention	\$10,000
Housing Alliance of DE - Centralized Intake/HMIS	\$10,000
Latin American Community Center - Homeless Prevention	\$45,451.30
Lutheran Community Services - Homeless Prevention	\$45,451.30
Salvation Army Crisis Alleviation	\$10,000
YMCA of Delaware - Supportive Housing (PH operations)	\$10,000
YWCA Delaware - Shelter	\$10,000
Total City Allocation of Unexpended CDBG-CV Funds	\$140,902.60

ESG-CV

Ministry of Caring - Homeless Prevention	\$35,000
Sojourner's Place - Shelter Operations	\$20,000
Ministry of Caring - Shelter Operations	\$20,000
YWCA Delaware, Inc. - Homeless Prevention	\$60,000
Total City Allocation of Unexpended ESG-CV Funds	\$135,000.00

HOPWA-CV

Ministry of Caring, Inc. - House of Joseph II	\$66,232.29
Total City Allocation of Unexpended HOPWA-CV Funds	\$66,232.29

Total City Allocation of Unexpended CARES Act Funds	\$342,134.89
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