

HOUSING AUTHORITY RESO NO. 2020-

RESOLUTION OF THE CHULA VISTA HOUSING AUTHORITY (1) APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 HOUSING AUTHORITY BUDGET TO REPROGRAM \$250,000 OF LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING ASSET FUNDS (LMIHAF); (2) APPROPRIATING LMIHAF IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000 TO A HOMELESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19; (3) AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AND SOUTH BAY COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ADDING HOMELESS PREVENTION AS AN ELIGIBLE USE OF LMIHAF

WHEREAS, a significant portion of Chula Vista renters (59%) are lower income, with 44 percent of them paying more than 50 percent of their income towards housing costs; and

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many of these renters are facing an undue financial hardship due to job loss, furlough or layoff, reduction in hours or work or pay, closure of place of employment, or missing work to care for a family member affected by the pandemic, adding to their financial burdens; and

WHEREAS, as the Chula Vista Housing Authority (“Housing Authority”), acting as the Successor Housing Agency and has available fund balance in the Low- and- Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund (LMIHAF) to provide housing assistance and expand housing opportunities to low income households; and

WHEREAS, Homeless Prevention is an eligible use of LMIHAF pursuant to Section 34176 of the Health and Safety; and

WHEREAS, the Chula Vista Housing Authority, acting as the Housing Successor has fulfilled all obligations pursuant to Sections 33413 and 33418 and may expend up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) per fiscal year pursuant to Health and Safety Code 34176.1 for homeless prevention for individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance, including the provision of short-term or rental assistance, housing stabilization services including outreach to property owners, utility payments, case management, or other appropriate activities for homelessness prevention who are at risk of becoming homeless.

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority will reprogram current year (2019-2020) LMIHAF in the amount of \$250,000 for a Homeless Prevention Program (HPP); and

WHEREAS, the City of Chula Vista has an existing agreement with South Bay Community Services for the provision of a Tenant Based Rental Assistance (“TBRA”) program to assist low income households financially impacted by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Staff has determined that the proposed activities are eligible for LMIHAF funds; and,

WHEREAS, the Chula Vista Housing Authority has available fund balance to support this program to aid eligible households who have suffered an economic loss due to COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commissioners of the Chula Vista Housing Authority as follows:

1. That it approves an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Housing Authority Budget to reprogram Low and Moderate Housing Asset Funds in the amount of \$250,000.
2. That it authorizes the appropriation of \$250,000 of LMIHAF for a Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program.
3. That it authorizes the City Manager or designee to execute any and all agreements and necessary amendments for the management and implementation of a Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program for the purpose of homeless prevention for low income Chula Vista residents by South Bay Community Services using FY 2019/2020 LMIHAF, and it further authorizes the City Manager or designee to make such minor modifications as may be approved or required by the City Attorney to ensure the Housing Authority meets the LMIHAF’s requirements.

Presented by:

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