## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-188**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) 2019-20 ACTION PLAN (CEQA EXEMPT)

- **WHEREAS**, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, authorized pursuant to Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (Act), requires that jurisdictions provide for the issuance of grants in order to attain the objective of providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income; and
- **WHEREAS**, there has been presented to, and reviewed by this City Council, a 2013-2018 Consolidated Plan [extended by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through June 2020], and a 2019-20 Action Plan; and
- **WHEREAS**, in March 2020, the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed, and included \$5 billion of funding for the CDBG program to distribute to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus; and
- **WHEREAS**, \$2 billion of that funding was awarded by HUD to CDBG entitlement grantees according to the entitlement formula, resulting in an award of \$543,435 in CDBG-CV1 funding to the City; and
- **WHEREAS**, on May 13, 2020, the City Council adopted Amendment No. 1 to allocate CDBG-CV1 funds; and
- **WHEREAS**, an additional \$2 billion of CARES funding was awarded by HUD to CDBG entitlement grantees according to a formula that considered (1) risk of coronavirus transmission, (2) rate of coronavirus cases, and (3) economic and housing market disruptions related to the pandemic, resulting in an award of \$762,071 in CDBG-CV3 funding to the City; and
- **WHEREAS**, on January 13, 2021, the City Council adopted Amendment No. 2 to allocate CDBG-CV3 funds; and
- **WHEREAS**, subsequent to the adoption of Amendments No. 1 and No. 2 to the Action Plan, staff identified unspent funding available for reallocation to other CDBG-CV-eligible projects; and
- **WHEREAS**, the amount of funding to be reallocated requires a substantial amendment to the Action Plan; and
- **WHEREAS**, in order to expedite local funding distribution, HUD allowed grantees to reduce the typical public review and comment period for amendments to Action Plans to five days, and also allowed for public hearings to be held virtually; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City of Elk Grove has held, with proper notification and after a mandatory five-day public comment period, a public hearing on June 23, 2021, to receive comments and proposals from the public regarding the amendment to the Action Plan and use of CDBG-CV funds; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby finds the amendment to the 2019-20 Action Plan exempt from CEQA pursuant to the following finding:

<u>Finding</u>: The amendment to the 2019-20 Action Plan is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

<u>Evidence</u>: The adoption of the amendment of the Action Plan is a project under CEQA; however, it qualifies for an exemption as follows:

1. The Public Service Program funded under the Action Plan is exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), which exempts activities under the common sense rule that CEQA only applies to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The proposed programs provide services to the public within existing facilities. No new development or construction which would alter the built form of the community is proposed. Therefore, the Action Plan qualifies for this exemption and no further review is required for these programs.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby:

- Approves the adoption of Amendment No. 3 to the City of Elk Grove CDBG 2019-20 Action Plan certifying that that the City of Elk Grove has and will continue to conduct its activities in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations governing the CDBG Program; and
- 2. Authorizes the City Manager, or authorized designee, to execute and file the amendment to the Action Plan, for and on behalf of the City of Elk Grove, and to make minor changes to the document where necessary.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2021

BOBBIE SINGH-ALLEN, MAYOR of the CITY OF ELK GROVE

ATTEST:

ASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JÓNATHAN P. HOBBS, CITY ATTORNEY

## CERTIFICATION ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2021-188

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I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on June 23, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Singh-Allen, Nguyen, Hume, Spease, Suen

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

Jason Lindgren, City Clerk City of Elk Grove, California