RESOLUTION NO. 2023-106

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE APPROVING THE 2023-2024 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ACTION PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND FILE ALL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FUNDING (CEQA EXEMPT)

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant 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 the City Council of the City of Elk Grove ("City Council"), the 2023-2024 Action Plan ("Action Plan"), which describes the specific programs to be funded for the 2023-2024 program year; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on March 22, 2023, to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on Elk Grove's need in relation to low-income and special needs populations and on proposed activities for funding in Fiscal Year 2023-2024; and

WHEREAS, the City of Elk Grove has held, with proper notification and after a mandatory 30-day public comment period, a public hearing on May 10, 2023, to receive comments and proposals from the public regarding the Action Plan and use of CDBG funds; and

WHEREAS, there has been presented to, and reviewed by the City Council, certifications to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), including those regarding affirmatively furthering fair housing, anti-displacement and relocation plan, drug free workplace, anti-lobbying, authority of jurisdiction, consistency with strategic plan, citizen participation, community development plan, following Consolidated Plan, use of funds, prohibition of excessive force, compliance with anti-discrimination laws, and lead-based paint ("Certifications"); and

WHEREAS, there has been presented to, and reviewed by the City Council an application on Standard Form 424 ("Application") to HUD for a Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$910,987 for the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby finds the 2023-2024 Action Plan exempt from CEQA pursuant to the following finding:

<u>Finding</u>: The 2023-2024 Action Plan is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

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

- 1. The Capital Projects are exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 specifically exempts "the creation of government funding mechanisms or other fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project." The adoption of the Action Plan allocates funding for these projects but does not fully commit these funds. Commitment of the funds does not occur until award of a construction contract. Therefore, no further review is required at this time.
- 2. The Public Service Programs funded under the Action Plan are exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), which exempts activities under the Common Sense Exemption 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:

- 1. Approves the City of Elk Grove 2023-2024 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 designee, to execute and file the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan, along with the required Certifications and the SF-424, that are required to receive CDBG funding for and on behalf of the City of Elk Grove, and to make minor changes to those documents where necessary.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 10th day of May 2023

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ASON LINDGREN. CITY CLERK

JONATHAN P. HOBBS, CITY ATTORNEY

CERTIFICATION ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2023-106

| STATE OF CALIFORNIA |) | |
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| COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO |) | ss |
| CITY OF ELK GROVE |) | |

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 May 10, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Singh-Allen, Spease, Brewer, Robles, Suen

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

Jason Lindgren, City Clerk City of Elk Grove, California