

RESOLUTION NO. .

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING: A) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING, OR DESIGNEE, TO ADMINISTER ALL DIRECT ALLOCATIONS OF CARES ACT EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS CORONAVIRUS (ESG-CV) FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO THE COUNTY DURING THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 2, 2020 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2023 TO BE USED FOR THE PREVENTION, PREPERATION FOR, AND RESPONSE TO COVID-19 AMONG INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS OF RECEIVING HOMELESS ASSITANCE; AND B) THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING, OR DESIGNEE, TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS WITH AWARDEES OF ESG-CV FUNDS DIRECTLY ALLOCATED BY HUD TO THE COUNTY DURING THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 2, 2020 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2023 TO BE USED FOR THE PREVENTION, PREPERATION FOR, AND RESPONSE TO COVID-19 AMONG INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS OR RECEIVING HOMELESS ASSISTANCE

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Public Law 116-136, was signed into law on March 27, 2020 to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act provided up to \$5,000,000,000 in supplemental funding to states and local governments through Community Development Block Grants Coronavirus (CDBG-CV), Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV), and other funding programs, and from this amount, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) immediately allocated \$2,000,000,000 based on the fiscal year 2020 CDBG and ESG formulas; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2020, San Mateo County Department of Housing (“DOH”) received its first direct CARES Act allocation from HUD in the amount of \$1,570,637 in CDBG-CV funds and \$799,531 in ESG CV funds to be used for the prevention, preparation for, and response to COVID-19 among individuals and families experiencing homelessness or receiving homeless assistance; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2020, DOH received a second allocation of ESG-CV funds from HUD in the amount of \$5,144,656 to be used for the prevention, preparation for, and response to COVID-19 among individuals and families experiencing homelessness or receiving homeless assistance; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2020, the Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on a substantial amendment to the San Mateo County Community Participation Plan and substantial amendment to the County’s 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan for the federal CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs (“Consolidated Plan”); and

WHEREAS, the amendments, which were adopted with the Board’s authorization (Resolution No. 077525), incorporate CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funds into the County’s current Consolidated Plan to be used as an additional resource and enable the County to implement new procedures that facilitate more flexible and expeditious use of CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funds to respond to immediate local needs as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the County has received a total of \$5,944,187 in ESG-CV funds directly allocated by HUD with the possibility that HUD may make additional direct allocations of ESG-CV to the County while the pandemic continues; and

WHEREAS, staff is proposing to use its total ESG-CV award of \$5,944,187 to support various Rapid Re-Housing and Emergency Shelter activities, and Street Outreach activities as well as administrative costs incurred in the engagement of these activities; and

WHEREAS, Rapid Re-Housing activities include assistance and services to help households who have been negatively impacted by COVID-19 to find and maintain permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Shelter activities include operations at the County's existing and new congregate and non-congregate shelter programs; and

WHEREAS, Street Outreach activities include providing health and medical treatment to unsheltered clients in partnership with the County Health System's Street Medicine Team; and

WHEREAS, Rapid Re-Housing activities, Emergency Shelter activities, and Street Outreach activities have played a critical role in addressing the needs of residents experiencing homelessness and/or at higher risk of contracting COVID-19 as well as reducing the spread of COVID-19 and it is necessary to award ESG-CV funds to support existing and new Rapid Re-Housing activities, Emergency Shelter activities, and Street Outreach activities to help sustain the County's continued efforts to respond to and assist residents adversely impacted by COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the the Director of the Department of Housing, or designee, be and is hereby authorized to administer all direct allocations of ESG-CV funds from HUD to the County during the period from April 2, 2020 through January 31, 2023 to be used for the prevention, preparation for, and response to COVID-19 among individuals and families experiencing homelessness or receiving homeless assistance; and

IT IS FURTHER DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the Director of the Department of Housing, or designee, be and hereby is authorized to negotiate and execute contracts with awardees of ESG-CV funds directly allocated by HUD to the County during the period of April 2, 2020 through January 31, 2023 to be used for the prevention, preparation for, and response to COVID-19 among individuals and families experiencing homelessness or receiving homeless assistance.

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