

## **STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL**

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**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDING FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF \$9,297,024.90 AND FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF \$10,005,851.41; AND TO APPROVE THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS**

A necessary quorum and majority of the council members of the City of Stockton, a municipality (Grantee) hereby consents to, adopts, and ratifies the following resolution:

Section 501 (A) OF Division N of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. no.116-260 (December 27, 2020) authorized the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury) to make payment to certain recipients to be used to provide emergency rental assistance. The Treasury is implementing the Emergency Rental Assistance grant program making available \$25 billion to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The City of Stockton was identified as a recipient of Emergency Rental Assistance funds from the U.S. Treasury. Emergency Rental Assistance payments will be made directly to local governments with more than 200,000 residents; and

On January 8, 2020, The City provided all necessary information to receive funds from the U.S. Treasury to support Stockton residents experiencing financial hardships and the inability to pay rent and utilities, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and

On January 20, 2021, The City of Stockton was notified by the U.S. Treasury that it would receive \$9,297,024.90 in housing assistance funding from the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program, to assist Stockton residents with housing stability funding, and

On January 29, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law SB 91. This new law extends the COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act (CTRA), California's statewide eviction moratorium, through June 30, 2021, and enacts new protections for renters related to the COVID-19 pandemic. This new law also established the emergency rental assistance program and allocated up to an additional \$10,005,851.41 to the City of Stockton, and

The City of Stockton has submitted an initial Expression of Intent to the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) indicating its selection of Option B to administer the Treasury's \$9,297,024.90 of ERAP and the State's \$10,005,851.41 of SRAP for a combined \$19,302,876.31 of emergency rental assistance. The City agrees to implement the program subject to the terms and conditions of the Guidelines, Standard Agreement, and other contracts between the Department(s) and City; and

Not less than 90% of awarded funds must be used for direct financial assistance, including rent, rental arrears, future rent payments, utilities, and home energy costs and arrears, and other expenses related to housing. The remaining 10% may be used for

housing stability services, including case management and other services intended to keep households stably housed, as well as administrative costs, and

The U.S Treasury ERA funds currently expire on December 31, 2021, and the State of California ERA funds must be spent by August 1, 2021; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City represents and certifies that it will use all such funds in a manner consistent and in compliance with all applicable state and federal statutes, rules, regulations, and laws, including without limitation all rules and laws regarding the U.S. Treasury and State Emergency Rental Assistance programs as defined by SB91 in the combined amount of \$19,302,876.31, and any such additional amount as allocated to the City under the programs.

2. Harry Black, City Manager, or designee, is authorized to execute the Emergency Rental Assistance Standard Agreement, and any subsequent amendments or modifications thereto, as well as any other documents which are related to the programs with both the U.S. Treasury and the State of California, and to accept any grant funding under the programs as the Treasury and Department may deem appropriate.

3. Authorize the City Manager to reallocate funds among approved activities and partners as needed to maximize impact and benefit to the Stockton community.

4. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to appropriate grant funds and associated expenditures, execute contracts above the current \$75,000 spending cap for funds accepted under this Resolution, and take necessary and appropriate actions to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED: February 23, 2021.

  
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KEVIN J. LINCOLN II  
Mayor of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:



  
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ELIZA R. GARZA, CMC  
City Clerk of the City of Stockton