

**Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California**

Resolution:

Approving the third amendment to the Urban County's Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 Community Development Block (CDBG) Grant Annual Action Plan by accepting Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funding in the amount of \$816,541; 2) Approve the amendment to the Urban County's 2013-2020 Consolidated Plan accepting CARES Act funds into the FY 2019-2020 CDBG Annual Action Plan, and 3) as part of this amendment, accept revisions to the Citizen Participation Plan to include the CARES Act 5-day comment period and updates to the plan. Approve the Urban County Committee's April 24th recommendation to utilize the CARES Act funds for the following CDBG eligible activities with the \$816,541 CARES Act CDBG funds: Food Bank for food and the purchase of a truck to deliver food supplies (\$721,541), United Way 211 (\$15,000), and Legal Services for Seniors for Tenant/Landlord services (\$15,000) and authorize the Housing Program Manger to submit the Substantial Amendment to the FY 19/20 Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.....)

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey, in conjunction with the cities of Gonzales, Greenfield, and Sand City formed a Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Urban County jurisdiction (Urban County) in order to become a direct entitlement jurisdiction for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program;

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey applied for and was approved to receive CDBG funds as an Urban County from the United States Government under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (HCD Act), Public Law 93-383;

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey entered a Grant Agreement with HUD dated July 1, 2019;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors adopted the Urban County's 2019 Annual Action Plan on June 25, 2019;

WHEREAS, On March 27, 2020, Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Public Law 116-136, to directly address the impacts of the COVID-19 Coronavirus;

WHEREAS, As part of the CARES Act, Congress appropriated \$5 billion in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds. Of this amount, the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has immediately allocated \$2 billion, based on the fiscal year 2020 CDBG formula;

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey has been allocated \$816,541 in the first allocation of CDBG-CV funds. These funds are supplemental to the annual allocations of CDBG funds the County receives and shall specifically be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, HUD has issued waivers of certain regulatory requirements related to Consolidated Plan and Citizen Participation requirements.

WHEREAS, the County will be utilizing two of these waivers in order to expedite the use and implementation of these funds that include utilizing the reduced Citizen Participation Plan Comment Period;

WHEREAS, this waiver grants a reduction of the required 30-day comment period to no less than five (5) days;

WHEREAS, the HUD waiver also allows for Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment;

WHEREAS, this waiver grants the County the ability to determine, outside the adopted Citizen Participation Plan, what constitutes reasonable notice and opportunity to comment during its efforts to limit public gatherings and expedite the use of funds;

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the Public Review Comment period will be no less than a five-day public comment period;

WHEREAS for Reasonable Noticing, the County will publish a notice on the County of Monterey Housing and Economic Development Division of the County Administrative Office website at least five days prior to the availability of substantial amendment documents for public review and the conducting of a public hearing;

WHEREAS a virtual public hearing will be considered adequate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors does hereby determine and declare as follows:

- a. Amend the Urban County's Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020 CDBG Program Annual Action Plan in the amount of \$816,541; 2) amend the Urban County's 2013-2020 Consolidated Plan to accept Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funds into the FY 2019-2020 CDBG Annual Action Plan and; 3) as part of this amendment accept the revisions to the Citizen Participation Plan to include the CARES Act 5-day comment period and updates to the plan,
- b. CARES Act funding will be used for CDBG eligible activities in the amount of \$816,541 for the following activities: Food Bank (\$721,541) for food and the purchase of a truck to deliver food supplies, United Way 211 (\$15,000), and Legal Services for Seniors for Tenant/Landlord services (\$15,000); Approve the amendment to the Urban County's 2013-2020 Consolidated Plan accepting CARES Act funds into the FY 2019-2020 CDBG Annual Action Plan; and
- c. Authorize the Housing Program Manager to submit the Substantial Amendment to the FY 19-20 Annual Action Plans to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2020, upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ by the following vote, to- wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof Minute Book _____, for the meeting on _____.

Dated:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors,
County of Monterey, State of California

By _____
Deputy