STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2024-2025 ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, HOME, AND EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAMS; AND SLUM BLIGHT AREA MAP

Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 ("Act") finds and declares that the future welfare of the nation and the well-being of its citizens depends upon establishing and maintaining viable urban communities as social, economic, and political entities and requires systematic and sustained action by federal, state, and local governments to eliminate blight and conserve and renew older urban areas in order to improve the living conditions and environment of low- and moderate-income families, and to develop new centers of population growth and economic activity; and

The City of Stockton ("City") is an entitlement city and receives funding each year from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") for housing, community, and economic development activities pursuant to the Act; and

Of utmost importance to the welfare of the community and a vital concern under the Act with regard to persons of low- and moderate-income is eliminating slums and blight, preventing blighting influence, and preventing the deterioration of private property, neighborhoods, and community facilities; and

The elimination of conditions that are detrimental to the health, safety, and public welfare, through acquisitions, demolition, rehabilitation assistance, community development, correction of code violations, and related activities are vital concerns to the City of Stockton; and

In compliance with 24 CFR Parts 91, 92, 570, and 576, which address the Consolidated Submission for Community Planning and Development Programs, the City prepared and adopted a Five-Year Consolidated Plan for Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG"), Home Investment Partnerships ("HOME"), and Emergency Solutions Grant ("ESG") Programs; and

The Consolidated Plan is the City's five-year planning document for CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds, which provides an assessment of local housing market and socio-economic conditions; and outlines the five-year strategy for addressing those community needs; and

Each year, the City prepares a one-year action plan ("Annual Action Plan"), which identifies the specific activities that will be funded during that program year to accomplish the goals and objectives that were established in the Consolidated Plan; and

Pursuant to 24 CFR 570.280(b), CDBG funds are permitted for activities related to aiding in the prevention or elimination of slum or blight as meeting one of the national objectives so long as the activities address at least one of the causes; and

It is hereby found and declared that there exists in the City a "blighted area" as defined by federal HUD regulation 24 CFR 570.280(b), State law regulations California Health and Safety Code section 33030 and 33031(a)(1), and local law regulation Stockton Municipal Code section 8.36.040; and

On March12, 2024, a public notice was published announcing the availability of the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan for public review. The Annual Action Plan contains the proposed allocations and uses of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. The notice was published in The Record, the local newspaper of general circulation; The Latino Times, the regional bilingual publication; and posted in public places including the City's website. A 30-day period for citizens to review and comment on the draft plan began March 15, 2024; and

On March 20, 2024, a public meeting was held to review the draft Annual Action Plan for public comment and review; and

On March 27, 2024, the Community Development Committee also held a public meeting to review and make funding recommendations to the City; and

The City's application for funds under the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs, which are incorporated into the Annual Action Plan, must be filed with HUD on or before May 15, 2024 and

On April 16, 2024, the City Council held a public hearing, during which staff presented an overview of the elements of the proposed Annual Action Plan, and citizens were provided an additional opportunity to comment, and their comments were considered; now, therefore,

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

1. The City Council hereby approves the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan for the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs and the related application documents, all of which are on file with the Office of the City Clerk and the Economic Development Department, and a summary of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1; the sources and uses, attached hereto as Exhibit 2; and the Slum-Blight Area Map, attached hereto as Exhibit 3; all of which are incorporated by this reference.

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- 2. The City Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to:
 - a. Take such action as appropriate to file the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan and pursue the allocation of funds as set forth within the Annual Action Plan and accompanying application.
 - b. Execute all grant agreements and amendments and all other documents pertaining thereto and furnish such additional documentation as may be required by HUD and act as the authorized representative of the applicant.
 - c. Upon receipt of said grant funds, make all necessary appropriations of funds in compliance with and for the purposes stated in the Annual Action Plan and accompanying application.
 - d. Take any administrative actions with the subrecipients (e.g. contracting with the subrecipients) as appropriate to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution.
- 3. The City Council hereby adopts the identifying area as a blighted area as defined by federal HUD regulation 24 CFR 570.280(b), State law regulations California Health and Safety Code section 33030 and 33031(a)(1), and local law regulation Stockton Municipal Code section 8.36.040, as set out in Exhibit 3:
- 4. The City Council hereby assures the United States of America and the Secretary of HUD that the City, as the applicant, shall:
 - a. Fully comply with the HUD regulations effectuated by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
 - b. Fully comply with the federal labor standards imposed under Title VII of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1977.
- 5. Authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to appoint staff as the Certifying Officer responsible for completing the environmental review process to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

6. The City Manager is hereby authorized to take whatever actions are necessary and appropriate to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution.
PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTEDApril 16, 2024
KEVIN J. LINCOLN II Mayor of the City of Stockton
ATTEST:
ELIZA R. GARZA, CMC City Clerk of the City of Stockton