

RESOLUTION No.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES TO SELECT LOCAL HOUSING TRUST FUND (LHTF) PROJECTS FOR PRELIMINARY AWARDS FROM THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS, ISSUE PRELIMINARY AWARDS TO DEVELOPERS, AND PUBLISH PRELIMINARY AWARDS ON THE WESTERN NEVADA COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING TRUST FUND WEBSITE SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL OF PROJECTS BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS UPON NOTIFICATION OF A SUCCESSFUL LHTF APPLICATION AND AWARD

WHEREAS, in 2018, Proposition 1 was approved by California voters and created Health and Safety Code ("HSC") Sections 50842.1, 50842.2, 50843.5 and Section 540060, which granted the California Department of Housing and Community Development ("HCD" or "Department") authority to provide matching grants to Local Housing Trust Funds to create a funding source to be used by local jurisdictions to increase the supply of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2020, this Board approved Resolution 20-247 authorizing submittal of an application for Permanent Local Housing Allocation ("PLHA") funds; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2020, this Board approved Resolution 20-315 adopting the local PLHA plan and directing the Health and Human Services Agency Director to submit the plan to the Department to secure award of PLHA Funding; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2020, this Board approved Resolution 20-316 authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between Nevada County, City of Nevada City, and City of Grass Valley wherein both cities agreed to delegate their PLHA allocation to the County as administrator, and established the Western Nevada County Regional Housing Trust Fund ("WNCRHTF"); and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2020, this Board approved Resolution 20-317 authorizing submission of an application to the Local Housing Trust Fund ("LHTF") Grant Program, certifying use of a future award of Local Housing Trust Funds in accordance with applicable state and federal statutes, rules, regulations, and laws regarding the LHTF Program, compliance with any and all contracts with the Department, complying with matching requirements under the LHTF award, and authorizing Nevada County to act as the Administrator of funds for eligible housing projects; and

WHEREAS, Nevada County intends to apply for future rounds of the LHTF grant program to develop affordable housing options for Nevada County; and

WHEREAS, the LHTF Program is a highly competitive funding source and applicants with projects identified by a first phase funding process before grant application submittal are well positioned for successful applications and funding; and

WHEREAS, the Department outlines a first phase funding process within the LHTF Final Guidelines that includes preliminary selection of LHTF projects from the Request for Proposal Process, issuance of preliminary awards to developers for projects, and publishing preliminary awards to the Western Nevada County Regional Housing Trust Fund's website; and

WHEREAS, these uses identified in the LHTF eligible activities will further the Board objective to increase the supply of affordable housing in the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, authorizes Housing and Community Services to select LHTF projects for preliminary awards from the Request for Proposal process, issue preliminary awards to developers, and publish preliminary awards on the Western Nevada County Regional Housing Trust Fund's website subject to final approval of projects by the Board of Supervisors upon notification of a successful LHTF application and award.