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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo MEETING DATE: November 26, 2024 TO: Board of Supervisors FROM: Rachel Peña SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing execution of Amendment #1 to the contract with Nevada Sierra Connecting Point Public Authority for the provision of CalWORKS Housing Support Program increase the contract price from \$500,000 to \$799,235 (an increase of \$299,235) for the contract term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and amend Exhibit B to reflect the increased contract amount. (RES 24-420)

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: Contract services are funded through available CalWORKs Single Allocation, and CalWORKs Housing Support Program (HSP) monies that may be used to support opportunities/services to assist low-income residents in overcoming barriers to employment and to assist CalWORKs participants in becoming financially self-sufficient. Services are within the Department's FY 2024/2025 budget and there are no County general fund dollars required in the agreement. The State has allocated unspent HSP funds from other counties to Nevada County allowing for an increase to our local programming.

BACKGROUND: On August 6, 2024, per Resolution 24-420, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved execution of the Professional Services Contract with Connecting Point to provide housing services and support for CalWORKs participant families. The Contractor designates Case Managers to support CalWORKs families to find and maintain safe, stable, permanent housing. Services include completion of forms, preparation of paperwork, supportive counseling, assist clients in resolving past legal or credit issues, provide referrals to services as needed, credit and budget counseling, housing search and placement, landlord engagement, and preparation and submission of budgets on behalf of clients for direct financial assistance with housing.

Approved by: Rachel Peña, LCSW Director of Social Services

