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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 12, 2022

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phebe Bell

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a renewal Contract with Nevada

County Housing Development Corporation (NCHDC) for services related to community-based housing projects and specialized housing programs for residents with a mental health disability in the maximum amount of

\$892,498 for the term of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING:</u> Contract services are funded by The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), County MHSA (Mental Health Services Act) funds, Project Homekey funds, and Proposition 47 grant funds. There are no County general fund dollars required in the agreement.

BACKGROUND: NCHDC has years of experience providing a variety of homelessness and housing services to homeless residents of Nevada County including in the Truckee region. In addition to providing contracted services for the Behavioral Health Department related to community-based housing projects that work to reduce homelessness among residents with a mental health disability, over the past two years, NCHDC has contracted with the County Department of Housing and Community Services to develop and rehabilitate new housing projects and administer broad based rental assistance and prevention funding to homeless and atrisk of homeless residents. NCHDC has also helped to strengthen outreach, engagement and

shelter operations in Truckee. NCHDC is a vital partner in the County's efforts to address homelessness NCHDC providing property management services, development services, and case management services supporting Behavioral Health clients in finding and maintaining housing while also supporting efforts to acquire and rehabilitate new housing stock to launch and innovative projects to expand housing opportunities across the County. This Contract renewal comes as development projects started in FY 20-21 and headed up by HCS and NCHDC staff are becoming fully operational. With rehabilitation complete at the Brunswick Diversion House and Homekey-funded Empire Mine Courtyard complex, the Behavioral Health Department is able to utilize the sights, providing funding to NCHDC expand housing opportunities for vulnerable County residents.

It is recommended that the Board approve this renewal Contract as the services provided will help program participants including homeless individuals involved with the criminal justice system, obtain and remain in permanent housing, increase the number of affordable options available to recipients, and ensure the provision of community supports necessary to assist recipient in succeeding in securing housing and integrating successfully into the community.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Phebe Bell, MSW, Behavioral Health Director