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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: March 9, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mike Dent – Housing & Community Services

SUBJECT: Resolution approving an allocation of funding and the execution of a

grant agreement and any amendments thereto from the CDBG-DR

program.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: This is a federal grant application for up to \$424,028 requiring no General Fund local cash match with no use of program income anticipated at this time. There is no impact on the General Fund. If the grant is awarded, a budget amendment will be presented to the Board of Supervisors along with notification of the award.

BACKGROUND: On August 14, 2018, HUD allocated \$124 million in Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds to support the State of California's unmet recovery needs related to the FEMA Major Disaster Declarations DR-4344 in October 2017 and DR-4353 in December 2017 (Thomas Fire). In response, the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has allocated \$424,028 under the CDBG-DR MHP program to the County of Nevada to support the development of new, affordable rental housing to replace housing.

Nevada County Housing and Community Services (HCS) staff will work closely with HCD to solicit a developer to construct an affordable housing project within the County. Upon selection of a developer staff will continue to work with HCD to ensure the project will meet the criteria of the program. Additional funding for the project will be obtained by the developer with HCS assisting with grant funding for the project should it become available.

The Board of Supervisors is requested to authorize the submittal of a CDBG-DR application. Upon the Board's approval, the Health and Human Services/Housing Division shall be authorized to sign the grant application and all documents that support the application. If awarded, the Health and Human Services/Housing Division shall be authorized to sign the above referenced CDBG standard agreement and all documents related to the award. HHSA HCS will forward the award contract to County Counsel and the Auditor Controller's Office prior to signing the agreement. HCS will further bring any award back to the Board as an informational item.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Mike Dent, Director – Housing and Community Services