



**CITY OF SALINAS
COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

DATE: OCTOBER 10, 2017
DEPARTMENT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
FROM: MEGAN HUNTER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
TITLE: FY 2017-18 STATE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT
ADDITIONAL FUNDING APPROVAL AND RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a Resolution regarding the FY 2017-18 Emergency Solutions Grant Additional State Funding.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve a Resolution regarding the FY 2017-18 Emergency Solutions Grant additional funding. The Resolution will be submitted to the State of California Housing and Community Development Department (HCD).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City Council approved additional State ESG funds and Federal ESG funds on May 2, 2017. Since the approval on May 2, 2017, the State ESG allocation increased. On August 29, 2017, City Council approved the resolution for the increase of funds (Resolution No. 21245).

BACKGROUND:

The State rejected the prior resolution submitted on August 29, 2017, because the prior resolution stated the following in number four (4) of the resolution:

4. The Mayor or City Manager or Community Development Director, are other signors may be included, as indicated in the checklist for preparing the resolution, and the term “or designees” may be included as well authorized to execute the Standard Agreement and any subsequent amendments or modifications thereto, as well as any other documents which are related to the Program or the ESG grant awarded to State ESG Administrative Entity, as the Department may deem appropriate.

The updated Resolution will now state per the State’s request dated September 26th:

4. The Mayor or City Manager or Community Development Director is authorized to execute the Standard Agreement and any subsequent amendments or modifications thereto, as well as

any other documents which are related to the Program or the ESG grant awarded to State ESG Administrative Entity, as the Department may deem appropriate.

There are no other substantive changes to the Resolution.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

Not a Project. The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378). In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378, this matter is not a project. Because the matter does not cause a direct or foreseeable indirect physical change on or in the environment, this matter is not a project. Any subsequent discretionary projects resulting from this action will be assessed for CEQA applicability.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

The CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding received by the City allows the undertaking of a variety of programs that are instrumental in providing affordable housing, providing homeless and homelessness prevention services, improving public facilities, making infrastructure improvements in lower income areas, and furthering partnerships with public service organizations addressing the human service needs of the City's low-income, elderly, and special needs communities. The funding and its implementation supports activities and projects that implement all of the City Council's strategic goals: 1) Economic Diversity and Prosperity; 2) Safe, Livable Community; 3) Effective, Sustainable Government; 4) Excellent Infrastructure; and 5) Quality of Life.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

HUD programs such as ESG return federal tax dollars to the community. The additional funding provides assistance to assist Homeless individuals within the City of Salinas. This funding will assist Community Human Services and Interim Inc. to provide assistance to homeless youth and to fund homeless outreach work within the City of Salinas

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution –State format ESG funds