RESOLUTION NO.	(N.C.S.)
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A RESOLUTION OF THE SALINAS CITY COUNCIL APPROVING AND IMPLEMENTING THE FY 2015-2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN (CONPLAN), ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE (AI), ALISAL NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREA (NRSA), AND THE FY 2015-2016 ACTION PLAN (ACTION PLAN)

WHEREAS, in order to receive its annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and other entitlement grants, the City of Salinas must develop and submit, to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), a five year Consolidated Plan, covering the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the CONPLAN serves as a planning document for the City, which builds on a participatory process among citizens, organizations, businesses, and other stakeholders, whereby short-term and long-term goals are identified, and strategies to be followed in carrying out HUD programs are established; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to submit the new CONPLAN utilizing HUD's web-based program, eCon Planning Suite by May 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the CONPLAN, the City is also required to prepare an AI document to identify impediments to fair housing, determine and carryout suitable actions to overcome the impediments, document analysis, and maintain records of actions taken; and

WHEREAS, the City's AI was last updated in August 2005, and while HUD does not have a statutory deadline for submission of AI updates, HUD's Department of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Division has urged the City to revise its AI; and

WHEREAS, on October 1,1996, the City adopted a NRSA, the Alisal Homeownership Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (AHNRSA), as encouraged by HUD under the CDBG program, for the purpose of supplementing existing efforts that have been initiated by recommending specific actions to increase homeownership, stimulate economic development, and improve neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, due to substantial changes in conditions in the NRSA since its adoption, updates were necessary to more appropriately align revitalization strategies with current needs; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2015-2016 Action Plan (ACTION PLAN) is an annual statement of activities that will be undertaken in furtherance of the City's CONPLAN objectives for the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, and is required to be submitted to HUD by May 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2014, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the preparation of the three aforementioned Housing documents including an option for the preparation of the ACTION PLAN; and

WHEREAS, one proposal was received from Veronica Tam and Associates, Inc. (VTA) within an extended deadline; and

WHEREAS, City staff carefully evaluated VTA's proposal and conducted reference checks; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2014, the Salinas City Council adopted Resolution No. 20639 (N.C.S.) approving the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Salinas and Veronica

Tam & Associates, to provide services related to the preparation of the CONPLAN, AI, NRSA, and ACTION PLAN, and approving \$140,000 of FY2013-14 General Funds to cover the cost of the services; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted an extensive community outreach process and have consulted with service providers, non-profit agencies, and other members of the community regarding both housing and community development needs through a series of community workshops, stakeholder interviews, surveys, and house meetings; and

WHEREAS, the draft plans were made available for public review on the City's website, City Hall, the Community and Economic Development Department office, the three City libraries, and community input was solicited beginning April 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2015, the City Council held a duly-noticed public hearing to obtain further comments on the draft CONPLAN, AI, NRSA, AND ACTION PLAN.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF SALINAS hereby approves the FY 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, Alisal Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area, and the FY 2015-2016 Action Plan; and that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the City of Salinas, and as its act and deed, to execute and file the aforementioned plans, and related Applications for Federal Assistance, including required Certifications with HUD; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF SALINAS, that the City Manager or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the City of Salinas, to execute and file the HUD Grant Agreements at such time as HUD submits said agreements to the City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF SALINAS, that the City Manager or his designee, is authorized and directed to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Salinas, City Funding Agreements and related documents (e.g., environmental documentation, request for release of HUD funds) implementing the funding allocations set forth in the ACTION PLAN.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of May 2015, by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	Joe Gunter, Mayor
Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk	