RESOLUTION NO. (N.C.S.)

A RESOLUTION OF THE SALINAS CITY COUNCIL APPROVING APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 2024 CONTINUUM OF CARE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Salinas (City) is the only City within Monterey and San Benito Counties that administers the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program Continuum of Care (CoC) Allocation; and

WHEREAS, HCD released the 2024 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) on December 31, 2024 announcing the availability of approximately \$39 million in federal ESG funds over the next three years; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 ESG CoC Allocation Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announced an estimated allocation of \$678,678 for the local Salinas/Monterey/San Benito Counties CoC #506; and

WHEREAS, HCD recommends applying for 150% of the expected allocation (\$1,031,517) to facilitate CoC Leadership Council appropriation and City acceptance of any additional ESG funding that becomes available over the 3-year period; and

WHEREAS, the local CoC Leadership Council will determine any funding component modifications up to the not to exceed amount of \$1,031,517; and

WHEREAS, the City, as the CoC #506 Administrative Entity, intends to submit a 2024 HCD ESG CoC Allocation NOFA application by the March 28, 2025, application deadline; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 HCD ESG CoC NOFA requires approval of a 3- year resolution using the HCD-approved template to receive an ESG grant which has been duly adopted and approved by the Applicant's governing board necessary to submit with the application; and

WHEREAS, the City hereby agrees to administer ESG funds for eligible activities as approved by the CoC #506 Leadership Council and HCD in accordance with all applicable state and federal statutes, rules, regulations, laws, and guidelines, including without limitation all rules and laws regarding the ESG Program, as well as in a manner consistent and in compliance with the Standard Agreement and any other contracts between the City and HCD; and

WHEREAS, 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).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council hereby authorizes the submission of an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the 2024 HCD Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Continuum of Care Allocation (CoC) Program Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council authorizes the Mayor or designee to execute, and amend if needed, the City and HCD 3-year ESG Program Resolutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council authorizes the Mayor or designee to receive ESG grant funds, in accordance with all HCD rules and laws for an amount not to exceed \$1,031,517, including up to \$117,919 of disencumbered ESG funds 2024 ESG CoC Allocation funding during the three-year period to the local Salinas/Monterey/San Benito Counties CoC #506; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council authorizes the Mayor or designee to execute a Standard Grant Agreement, all applicable HCD grant documents, and any amendments thereto from the 2024-2027 funding years of the State ESG program, Continuum of Care Allocation NOFA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if funds are awarded, the Salinas City Council authorizes the establishment of an HCD ESG Program budget appropriation of \$271,366 for Year 1 (2025-2026) and up to \$1,031,517 over the three funding years (2024-2027); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council authorizes the Mayor or designee to execute, Subrecipient Funding Agreements, and necessary amendments to fund programs approved by the CoC #506 Leadership Council during the term of the Standard Agreement with HCD.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 25th day of March 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:

Dennis Donohue, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk