

RESOLUTON NO.: R-2019-028

Authorizing the City Manager to execute any documents as approved by the City Attorney necessary to make repairs to or rebuild certain properties affected by the 2015 flood through implementation of the CDBG-DR Action Plan Programs of Columbia Housing Assistance Program (CHAP), Minor Repair Program (MRP) and Small Rental Repair Program (SRRP)

WHEREAS, in January 2017, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approved the City's initial Community Development Block Grant Action Plan for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding; and,

WHEREAS, in order to aid residents impacted by the 2015 Severe Storms and Flood (the Disaster) with CDBG-DR Disaster Recovery funds, the City established six programs, three programs of which address residential housing repairs and rehabilitation and are included as part of this resolution as:

1. Columbia Homeowner Assistance Program (CHAP) will provide up to One Hundred Fifty Thousand and No/100 (\$150,000.00) Dollars for rehabilitation, repair, or reconstruction of owner-occupied households with damages directly related to the October 2015 disaster and with unmet needs exceeding Twenty-five Thousand and No/100 (\$25,000.00) Dollars; and,

2. Minor Repair Program (MRP) assists owner-occupied households that sustained minor damages as a result of the October 2015 disaster with unmet needs up to Twenty-five Thousand and No/100 (\$25,000.00) Dollars; and,

3. Small Rental Repair Program (SRRP) assists property owners who agree to rent at affordable rates in repairing and reconstructing storm damaged rental units as a result of the October 2015 disaster with unmet needs up to One Hundred Thousand and No/100 (\$100,000.00) Dollars; and,

WHEREAS, seventy (70%) percent of CDBG-DR Program funds must benefit Low or Moderate Income (LMI) households; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council this 19th day of March, 2019, that the following is hereby adopted in order for the City Manager to execute any grant agreement documents, on forms to be approved by the City Attorney, for recipients approved for assistance for properties receiving CDBG-DR funding per guidelines of the CHAP, MRP and SRRP described in this resolution and included in the City's Approved Action Plan:

1. Each Applicant meeting the eligibility criteria for the CDBG-DR program and making a complete and compliant application to the City to receive monies will be considered for assistance.

2. In awarding a grant and aid to the Recipient to rehabilitate the Property the City will rely on information about family income, residency, ownership, tenants, and funds received for rehabilitation from other sources (e.g., insurance proceeds) given by each Applicant who applies for benefits of the Program.

3. The City will enter into a Grant Agreement with the Applicant to commit the funds to repair the property.

4. Each Applicant for which a grant agreement is fully executed is deemed to be a Grant Recipient.

5. Following full execution of the Grant Agreement between the City and Grant Recipient, the Grant Recipient will sign an agreement with a contractor participating in the Program (the Contractor) for the rehabilitation of the Property (referred to as the Construction Contract).

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amount of funds to be expended on each location will be based on funding guidelines and calculations specific to each site but shall not exceed the program specific threshold, including all change orders; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as required, the City shall provide quarterly spending reports to HUD and City Council and post the same information on the City's CDBG-DR Website.

Requested by:

Assistant City Manager Gentry _____

Mayor

Approved by:

City Manager

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Introduced:
Final Reading: