

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS (CAL ICH) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION FUNDING PROGRAM, ROUND 2, SECOND DISBURSEMENT (ERF-2-R) FOR ACTIONABLE, PERSON-CENTERED LOCAL PROPOSALS THAT RESOLVE THE EXPERIENCE OF UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS FOR PEOPLE RESIDING IN ENCAMPMENTS BY ADDRESSING THE SAFETY AND WELLNESS OF PEOPLE WITHIN ENCAMPMENTS, RESOLVE CRITICAL ENCAMPMENT CONCERNS, AND TRANSITION INDIVIDUALS INTO INTERIM SHELTER WITH CLEAR PATHWAYS TO PERMANENT HOUSING OR DIRECTLY INTO PERMANENT HOUSING, USING DATA INFORMED, NON-PUNITIVE, LOW-BARRIER, PERSON-CENTERED, HOUSING FIRST, AND COORDINATED APPROACHES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ALL REQUIRED IMPLEMENTING DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno (City) wishes to apply for and receive an allocation of funds through the Encampment Resolution Funding Program, round 2, Second Disbursement (ERF-2-R); and

WHEREAS, the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (hereinafter referred to as Cal ICH) issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) on December 1, 2022, for ERF-2-R funding; and

WHEREAS, the Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) Program was initially authorized in 2021 through Assembly Bill (AB) 140 (Chapter 111, Statutes of 2021), which allocated \$50 million for what would become the first round of funding; and

WHEREAS, SB 197 (Chapter 70, Statutes of 2022) amended the ERF program and AB 178 (Chapter 45, Statutes of 2022) allocated an additional \$300 million for Round

Date Adopted:

Date Approved:

Effective Date:

City Attorney Approval:



Resolution No. _____

2 of ERF funding; and

WHEREAS, Cal ICH was created in 2017 to oversee the implementation of Housing First policies, guidelines, and regulations to reduce the prevalence and duration of homelessness in California. HCFC is mandated to coordinate funding while also promoting systems integration to increase efficiency and effectiveness of the homelessness response system at the state and local level; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to submit an application to obtain an Cal ICH allocation of ERF-2-R funding in the amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. City staff is authorized and directed to submit to Cal ICH an application to participate in the Encampment Resolution Funding Program, Round 2, Second Disbursement in response to the NOFA issued on December 1, 2022, requesting a funding allocation for the following activities: \$15,000,000 to bolster services addressing the immediate crisis of experiencing unsheltered homelessness in the existing state encampment, to continue supporting people living in the state encampment onto paths to safe and stable housing and result in sustainable restoration of public spaces to their intended uses while safeguarding the needs of unhoused people seeking shelter located in the existing state encampment.

2. If the application for funding is approved, the City hereby agrees to use the ERF-2-R Program funding for eligible activities in the manner presented in the application as approved by Cal ICH and in accordance with program regulations cited above.

3. The City authorizes the City Manager, or designees, to execute in the name

of the City the application, the Standard Agreement, and any subsequent amendments or modifications thereto, as well as any other documents required by Cal ICH for participation in the ERF-2-R Program, and any amendments thereto.

4. This resolution shall be effective upon final approval.

* * * * *

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, TODD STERMER, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____ 2023.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2023
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2023
Mayor Veto: _____, 2023
Council Override Vote: _____, 2023

TODD STERMER, CMC
City Clerk

By: _____
Deputy Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
ANDREW JANZ
City Attorney

By: _____
Tracy N. Parvanian Date
Supervising Deputy City Attorney