RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDING FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND DEVELOPMENT LOW INCOME WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF $174,929 FOR THE CITY STUDIOS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO SECURE THE PROGRAM FUNDS AND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) has administered the Low-Income Weatherization Program (LIWP) since 2014, which provides low-income households with solar photovoltaic (PV) systems and energy efficiency upgrades at no cost to residents, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions by saving energy and generating clean renewable power; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the LIWP program is to reduce the impacts of climate change on vulnerable communities by reducing energy costs, lowering utility bills, and helping to preserve valuable below market-rate housing for low-income households, thus resulting in significant direct tenant bill savings to residents of LIWP participating properties; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno City Council adopted Resolution No. 2023-097 on April 20, 2023, authorizing the City of Fresno (Applicant) to jointly apply for the California Housing and Community Development's (HCD) Homekey Round 3 grant funds with Fresno Mission Communities (Co-Applicant), for the acquisition, rehabilitation, and operation of the City Studios Project located at 3876 North Blackstone Avenue (APN 436-260-22),

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which consists of 34 units of permanent affordable housing for households and youth experiencing or at risk of homelessness (Project); and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2024, the Project received a Homekey Round 3 Award from HCD in the amount of $9,598,131, and thereafter began development of the Project; and

WHEREAS, RH Community Builders, the developer, applied to participate in the LIWP program on behalf of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project has been found eligible by CSD to participate in the LIWP program because it meets the affordability requirements of the program that stipulates at least 66% of the Project's households are at or below 80% Area Median Income (AMI), and the Property has a recorded Regulatory Agreement with at least a 10-year affordability period remaining; and

WHEREAS, CSD has awarded the Project LIWP incentives in the amount of $174,929 and has established specific commitments for maintaining affordability and tenant protections at the Property; and

WHEREAS, in order to accept the LIWP incentives, the City must agree to LIWP Program requirements and execute CSD's Energy Efficiency Incentive Reservation and Participation Agreement Form (CSD Agreement).

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

1. The City Council authorizes this resolution; and

2. The City Council authorizes the acceptance of the incentive in the amount of $174,929 from the California Department of Community Services and Development's

(CSD), for Project's participation in the Low-Income Weatherization Program (LIWP).

3. The City Manager, or designee, is authorized and directed to enter into and execute a CSD Agreement and accept the incentive funds and in the amount of $174,929, and any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to secure the LIWP funds from CSD and to participate in the LIWP, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

4. This resolution shall be effective upon final approval.

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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 _____ 2025.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2025
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2025
Mayor Veto: _____, 2025
Council Override Vote: _____, 2025

TODD STERMER, MMC
City Clerk

By: _____
Date
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
ANDREW JANZ
City Attorney

By: _____
Kelsey A Seib Date
Deputy City Attorney