

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION/ HOUSING AUTHORITY

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The Honorable Board of Commissioners Community Development Commission County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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CELIA ZAVALA EXECUTIVE OFFICER

# FUNDING AGREEMENTS FOR HOUSING PROGRAMS (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTE)

## SUBJECT

This letter recommends various actions required for the Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles (Counties), which have previously been approved by the County's Board of Supervisors for affordable housing, fair housing, and housing preservation activities.

## IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find that the approval of the proposed actions is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because the activities are not defined as a project under CEQA.
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director, or her designee, to execute a Housing Preservation funding agreement between the County and the Commission for the transfer of up to \$2,665,000 to be used for housing preservation activities.
- 3. Authorize the Executive Director, or her designee, to amend the existing funding agreement for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, for the transfer of \$2,000,000 to be used for affordable housing development.
- 4. Authorize the Executive Director, or her designee, to execute a Fair Housing funding agreement between the County and the Commission for the transfer of up to \$5,000,000 to be used for fair housing activities.
- 5. Authorize the Executive Director to accept and incorporate up to \$9,665,000 into the

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Commission's approved Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget for the purposes described above.

6. Authorize the Executive Director, or her designee, to execute amendments to the recommended funding agreements to: (a) make necessary changes to the scope of services; (b) add, delete and/or change certain terms and conditions in the agreement, subject to prior review and approval as to form by County Counsel.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On September 11, 2018, the Board approved the Commission's Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019, which included \$800,000 for housing preservation activities. Since that time, the County has identified an additional \$2,665,000 million for housing preservation, which will fund a full-time preservation coordinator, development of a preservation database, tenant outreach, tenant assistance, and other targeted preservation strategies across the County.

The \$800,000 previously anticipated for housing preservation will be included in the Commission's Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the development of affordable housing through our Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) process. On October 2, 2018, the Board approved an additional \$1,200,000 for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, for a total of \$2,000,000.

In response to a January 15, 2019 Motion by Supervisors Kuehl and Ridley-Thomas entitled, "Creating Solutions to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing in Los Angeles County", the Chief Executive Officer identified \$5,000,000 to support County programs to further fair housing.

The recommended actions will allow the Commission to execute and or amend the necessary funding agreements with the County in order to accept these funds and incorporate them into the budget.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact on the County general fund. The Board has already approved the allocation of these funds for the purposes described herein. The recommended actions will effectuate the transfer of these funds. A total of up to \$9,665,000 will be incorporated into the Commission's approved Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

County Counsel has reviewed this request. All funding agreements, and amendments thereto, are subject to review and approval as to form by County Counsel prior to execution.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Commission to accept funds from the County to administer affordable housing, fair housing, and housing preservation activities throughout the County.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**Executive Director** 

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