

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-69

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN
AGREEMENT WITH ALAMEDA COUNTY FOR THE PROPOSED USE
OF FY2024-25 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS
PROJECTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$113,920 AND COVID-CV FUNDS
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000 AND AUTHORIZING
THE APPROPRIATION OF SAID FUNDS

WHEREAS, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is one of the longest-running programs of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the program funds activities such as affordable housing, anti-poverty programs, and infrastructure development that benefit low-income people or contribute to the elimination of blight; and funds are allocated to localities based on formulas that reflect population, measures of poverty, age of housing stock, etc.; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet administrative requirements of the program in a costeffective manner, the cities of Albany, Emeryville, Piedmont, Dublin, Newark, and the unincorporated portions of Alameda County are consolidated as a single "Alameda County Urban County" grantee; and staffing for the "Urban County" is provided by Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, a requirement for using CDBG funds, with few exceptions, is that it must be demonstrated that the funds are serving very low or low income people or households; and another stipulation of this program is that across the Urban County cities collectively, no more than 15% of CDBG funds can be applied toward services; and

WHEREAS, the City's allocation, based on information released by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is \$113,920; and

WHEREAS, CDBG-CV COVID response funds were initially allocated toward emergency mortgage assistance programs that were undersubscribed and these funds were made available to Urban County jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the City requested and was awarded \$250,000 of CDBG-CV funds for the Homeless Outreach and Engagement Program and for Rental Assistance; and

WHEREAS, of Albany's CDBG allocation, revenues will be assigned as follows: \$37,979 to Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program, \$24,341 to Sidewalk Improvements replacing deficient curb ramps, \$195,000 to Homeless Outreach and Engagement Program, \$100,000 to Rental Assistance/Homeless Prevention, and \$6,600 to administration; and

WHEREAS, additional Urban County Community Services funds in the amount of \$85,000 are allocated by the County towards housing counseling services provided by ECHO Housing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Albany City Council authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Alameda County for the proposed use of FY2024-25 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds projected in the amount of \$113,920 and COVID-CV funds in the amount of \$250,000 and authorizes the appropriation of said funds to be reimbursed to the City for expenditures incurred.

JOHN MIKI, MAYOR



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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY,

The 3rd day of September, 2024, by the following votes:

AYES: Council Members Hansen-Romero, Jordan, López, Tiedemann and

Mayor Miki

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAINED: none

RECUSED: none

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, this 4th

day of September, 2024.

Anne Hsu

CITY CLERK