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WHEREAS, the City of Dallas receives four distinct grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on an annual basis for community development and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the four grants include: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).

WHEREAS, in order to receive these funds, the City is required to develop and submit a Consolidated Plan to HUD; and

WHEREAS, the current 5-year Consolidated Plan expires on September 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, a new 5-year Consolidated Plan for the period of FY 2024-25 through FY 2028-29 is due to HUD in August 2024; and

WHEREAS, a Consolidated Plan is a comprehensive analysis and strategic plan that identifies community needs, prioritizes those needs, and proposes details of how they will be addressed; and

WHEREAS, needs currently identified in the City of Dallas include: affordable housing, homelessness, poverty, public improvements/infrastructure and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the need for the goals and strategies in the new 5-year Consolidated Plan to align with existing systems, strategies and policies to ensure consistency among them and a baseline for a strategic approach for implementation to address identified needs; and

WHEREAS, existing systems include the Continuum of Care and the Ryan White Planning Council of the Dallas Area; and

WHEREAS, existing strategies and policies have already been developed, including the Dallas Housing Policy 2023 and Poverty Study; and

WHEREAS, the incorporation of existing systems, strategies and policies tell one comprehensive story of the City's needs and further the goals of the Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2024, the City Council was briefed on the City's approach to developing the strategic plan for the new 5-year Consolidated Plan.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council authorizes initial support of the approach for development of the new 5-year Consolidated Plan, covering the period of FY 2024-25 through FY 2028-29 for the four U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development grant funds: Community Development Block Grant; HOME Investment Partnerships Program; Emergency Solutions Grant; and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS, as prescribed by federal regulations.

SECTION 2. That the approach for developing the strategic plan for the new 5-year Consolidated Plan be as follows:

- A. Use of CDBG Public Service funds to address the drivers of poverty, with focus on reducing and/or eliminating barriers to work.
- B. Use of CDBG Housing funds consistent with the Dallas Housing Policy to create new homeowners through the homebuyer assistance program; and preservation of existing housing through rehabilitation and/or reconstruction of single-family and multi-family units.
- C. Use of CDBG funds for public facilities, façade, and infrastructure needs in eligible areas, including racially or ethnically concentrated areas of poverty.
- D. Use of CDBG funds for fair housing, planning and program administration up to the maximum 20% allowed.
- E. Use of HOME funds consistent with the Dallas Housing Policy 2023, including using up to the maximum 10% allowed for program administration and minimum 15% set-aside for community development housing organizations.
- F. Use of ESG funds, in consultation with the Continuum of Care, consistent with the Office of Homeless Solutions amended Four-Track Strategy Plan, including using up to the maximum 7.5% allowed for program administration.
- G. Use of HOPWA funds consistent with priorities established by the Ryan White Planning Council of the Dallas Area (RWPC) and with needs identified in the RWPC Comprehensive HIV Needs Assessment, and using up to the maximum 3% allowed for program administration.

SECTION 3. That the new 5-year Consolidated Plan will cover FY 2024-25 through FY 2028-29.

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SECTION 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.