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**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department Agriculture (USDA) has made funding available to the City of Dallas, under the FY2021 Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction to develop and test strategies for planning and implementation that will (1) generate compost; (2) increase access to compost for agricultural producers; (3) reduce reliance on, and limit the use of, fertilizer; (4) improve soil quality; (5) encourage waste management and permaculture business development; (6) increase rainwater absorption; (7) reduce municipal food waste; and (8) divert food waste from landfills within the context of commercial outlets and special events; and

**WHEREAS**, grant funds will be used for the collection, composting of food scraps generated by commercial businesses and special events and the transportation of the finished compost to community gardens within DCHHS's Community Garden Program; and

**WHEREAS** the grant requires a 30 percent (\$30,000.00) of matching contributions. This will be provided by OEQS-Zero Waste in the form of outreach materials and program education; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Dallas will benefit by preservation of landfill space and the generation of data useful in the creation of any future mandates or ordinances regarding food waste recovery from special events and/or commercial entities.

**Now, Therefore,**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the City Manager is hereby authorized to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service for FY2021 Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production for the Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction CCFWR Pilot Project (Grant No. NR213A750001C039, CFDA No. 10.935) to provide two years of funding for contractual services to collect and compost food scraps from special events and selected commercial entities in the amount of \$90,000.00 for the period October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2023; an In-Kind match in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 of staff time and costs for outreach and education from the Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability-Zero Waste; execution of the grant agreement and all terms, conditions, and documents required by the grant agreement; and execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with Dallas County, Health and Human Services Department, approved as to form by the City Attorney.

**SECTION 2.** That a Memorandums of Understanding between the City of Dallas and Dallas County in the donation of finished compost to Dallas County's DCHHS Community Garden Program is hereby authorized.

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**SECTION 3.** That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to receive and deposit grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$ 90,000.00 in the FY2021 Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction (CCFWR) Program Fund, Fund F690, Department SAN, Unit 259C, Revenue Code 6506.

**SECTION 4.** That the City Manager is hereby authorized to establish appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00 in the FY2021 Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction (CCFWR) Program Fund, Fund F690, Department SAN, Unit 259C, Object Code 3099, according to the attached Schedule A.

**SECTION 5.** That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00 in the FY2021 Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction (CCFWR) Program Fund, Fund F690, Department SAN, Unit 259C, Object Code 3099, according to the attached Schedule A.

**SECTION 6.** That the City Manager is hereby authorized to provide In-Kind Contributions from OEQS -Zero Waste in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.

**SECTION 7.** That the City Manager is hereby authorized to reimburse USDA any expenditure identified as ineligible or in the event of loss of funds. The City Manager shall notify the appropriate City Council Committee of expenditures identified as ineligible not later than 30 days after the reimbursement.

**SECTION 8.** That the City Manager shall keep the appropriate City Council Committee informed of all final granting agency monitoring reports not later than 30 days after the receipt of the report.

**SECTION 9.** That the City Manager or his designee is authorized to provide additional information, adjust, and take other actions related to the implementation or termination of the grant as may be necessary to satisfy USDA.

**SECTION 10.** That the agreement is designated as Contract No. SAN-2022-00018128.

**SECTION 11.** That the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Dallas and Dallas County is designated as Contract No. MOU SAN-2022-00018130.

**SECTION 12.** 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.