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WHEREAS, on May 9, 2018, City Council adopted a Comprehensive Housing Policy (CHP) that set citywide production goals for homeownership and rental units for the next three years along with respective income bands that will be prioritized within the production goals and also set forth various programs, tools and strategies to be used to meet the production goals while also overcoming concentrations of poverty and racial segregation by Resolution No. 18-0704; and

WHEREAS, on November 28, 2018, City Council authorized amendments to the CHP to make technical changes to the Home Improvement and Preservation Program, the Dallas Homebuyer Assistance Program, and the New Construction and Substantial Rehabilitation Program by Resolution No. 18-1680; and

WHEREAS, on May 22, 2019, City Council authorized amendments to the City of Dallas CHP to establish a Land Transfer Program by Resolution No. 19-0824; and

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2019, the City issued a Notice of Funding Availability in accordance with the CHP and Dallas Housing Foundation submitted an application that received a fundable score and passed a preliminary underwriting review for the Jeffries-Meyers Planned Development Single Family Infill Development Project (Project); and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee will be briefed by memorandum regarding this matter on February 24, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the tax-foreclosed lots are being sold pursuant to Section 34.051 of the Texas Tax Property Code, and the surplus lots are being sold pursuant to Section 272.001 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, to assist in the affordable housing production goals established in the CHP, the City desires to enter into a conditional grant agreement and a loan agreement with Dallas Housing Foundation and/or its affiliates in an amount not to exceed \$1,427,000.00 in consideration of the development of the Jeffries-Meyers Planned Infill Development Project on Land Transfer lots identified as Jeffries-Myers cluster 1 and/or 3.

Now, Therefore,

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

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SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized **(1)** to execute a conditional grant agreement with Dallas Housing Foundation and/or its affiliates (Developer) in the amount of \$1,427,000.00 in 2017 General Obligation Bond Funds for public infrastructure costs (an "affiliate" shall be an individual or entity that is either a parent company to the Developer or a subsidiary of the Developer); **(2)** to execute the sale of up to 17 Land Transfer lots, for up to 34 single family homes, included in Jeffries-Meyers cluster 1 and/or 3 as shown in Exhibit A, subject to restrictive covenants, a right of reverter, and execution of all necessary documents pursuant to the City's Land Transfer Program and the New Construction and Substantial Rehabilitation Program; and **(3)** to release all non-tax City liens, notices, or orders that were filed on the 17 Land Transfer lots prior or subsequent to the deeds transferring the lots to the City of Dallas, approved as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 2. That the terms of the Project include but are not limited to the following:

1. All lots may revert to the City if the City Manager or his/her designee determines that the Developer has:
 - a. failed to take possession of the land within 90 calendar days after receiving the deed to the parcels of real property;
 - b. failed to complete construction of all required housing units or other required development on the real property, or failed to ensure occupancy by eligible households within the development timeframe set forth in the development agreement;
 - c. incurred a lien on the property because of violations of city ordinances and failed to fully pay off the lien within 180 days of the City's recording of the lien; or
 - d. sold, conveyed, or transferred the land without the consent of the City.

Upon determination by the City Manager that a condition described above has occurred, the City Manager is authorized to execute an instrument, approved as to form by the City Attorney, exercising against the parcel of real property the City's possibility of reverter with right to reentry. The City shall file notice of the reverter and reentry of the land by the City in the real property records of the county in which the parcel of real property is located, which notice must specify the reason for the reverter and reentry. The City shall provide a copy of the notice to the Developer in person or by mailing the notice to the developer's post office address as shown on the tax rolls of the City or of the county in which the land is located.

Each surplus lot shall be offered at fair market values. A discount is available if project underwriting indicates that the discount is needed either to ensure the viable sale to an income-qualified buyer. The lots located at 2412 Merlin Street, 2430 Jeffries Street, and 2421 Merlin Street are surplus lots being sold at a discounted price of \$1,000.00 - a combined discount of \$30,750.00.

SECTION 2. (continued)

2. On each Land Transfer lot purchased by Developer, Developer shall design, redevelop, construct and sell two attached single-family homes on each Land Transfer lot. Developer shall submit a development plan and the development plan must be approved by the City.
3. Upon transfer of ownership of each Land Transfer lot from the City to the Developer, Developer must maintain all vacant lots in compliance with all applicable city, state and federal regulations including maintaining the lots free of high weeds and litter.
4. No liens shall exist on the lots, except for liens related to the development of each lot, as detailed herein. However, Developer shall ensure that each lot is free from liens or other encumbrances at the time of sale to each income-eligible homebuyer.
5. All Project costs must be reasonable and customary and conform with the Comprehensive Housing Policy, and any other applicable City regulations.
6. City funding must be used for eligible project costs and cannot be used for land acquisition through the Land Transfer Program.
7. All Units are to be sold to households at 60-120 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI). Each home will range from 1,700 square feet to 1,900 square feet of living space with an attached garage. Developer may sell each Unit for a price between \$182,000.00 and \$245,000.00.
8. The City Manager may authorize minor modifications to the Project to reduce the amount of lots sold to Developer and to modify the sales price, so long as such modification complies with the CHP.
9. Developer shall construct and rent or sell each Unit to eligible homebuyers within two years from the date of sale of the lot by the City to Developer. Developer may receive one one-year extension of the grant agreement if delays are related to installation or improvement of infrastructure or zoning/platting issues. However, each HOME funded Unit must be sold within nine months of completion of construction or the Units must be converted to rental housing or the project will be deemed ineligible and all HOME funds paid to Developer for such unit(s) must be repaid to the City.
10. Developer shall obtain a building permit for at least one Unit within 30 days from the date of sale to Developer from City.
11. Developer shall comply with Chapter 20A of the Dallas City Code including, but not limited to, Developer shall not discriminate against holders of any housing vouchers, including vouchers directly or indirectly funded by the federal government.

SECTION 2. (continued)

12. The contract for the loan and grant amount shall be secured by a first or second lien on all lots sold to Developer and a note (for the loan). The lien shall be subordinate only to a private financial institution's superior lien for a loan in a greater amount. The lien will be released upon satisfaction of the obligations detailed herein and in the contract.

13. Developer shall adhere to the requirements of the CHP, including but not limited to the Land Transfer Program, the New Construction and Substantial Rehabilitation Program and the Appendix 1 – Single Family Development Underwriting (including but not limited to Ongoing Project Requirements, Reporting and Record Keeping, and Structure of Transaction), authorized by Resolution No. 19-1498.

14. The City will provide Developer with a 120-day right of entry and due diligence period. During this period, the Developer will identify lots with significant development challenges that may be undevelopable or may require significant remediation. Following the 120-day period, Developer must submit a final list of requested lots to the City.

SECTION 3. That the City Manager, upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, is authorized to execute the agreement described herein, as well as releases of liens and terminations of deed restrictions on the property upon compliance with the loan terms and deed restrictions for forgiveness of debt. The Director may extend deadlines by up to two six-month periods after expiration of the contract term.

SECTION 4. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to release all non-tax City liens, notices, and orders that were filed on the lots sold to Developer, shown in Exhibit A, prior or subsequent to the deed transferring the lots to the City of Dallas, approved as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 5. That each tax-foreclosed lot shall be sold to the Developer for a fixed price of \$1,000.00 for up to 7,500 square feet of land purchased under a single proposal, plus \$0.133 for each additional square foot of land purchased under the proposal, as detailed in Exhibit A. All proceeds from sale will be deposited to General Fund, Fund 0001, Department DEV, Balance Sheet Account 0519.

SECTION 6. That upon receipt of the consideration from the Sale, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse the proceeds in accordance with Chapter 34, Section 34.06 of the Texas Property Tax Code. Calculations for disbursements shall be provided by the Director of Sustainable Development and Construction to the City of Dallas Land Based Receivables, the Dallas County District Clerk, and the Dallas County Tax Office from the account specified in Section 4, above.

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SECTION 7. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to increase appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$1,427,000.00 in the ECO (I) Fund, Fund 1V52, Department HOU, Unit VI18, Object 3016 for the 2017 General Obligation Bond Fund.

SECTION 8. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to encumber funds and disburse funds to Dallas Housing Foundation as the City receives and reviews reimbursement requests and related supporting documentation submitted by Developer, for eligible expenditures and accepts supporting evidence as defined in the agreements for the total amount not to exceed \$1,427,000.00 from ECO (I) Fund, Fund 1V52, Department HOU, Unit VI18, Activity ECNR, Object 3016, Encumbrance/Contract No. HOU-2020-00012421, Vendor VC21006.

SECTION 9. That this resolution does not constitute a binding agreement upon the City or subject the City to any liability or obligation with respect to this transaction, until such a time as the documents are duly approved by all parties and executed.

SECTION 10. 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.