

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR FY 2021 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS AND FOR FY 2021 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME) FUNDS, TO FUND ELIGIBLE PUBLIC SERVICES, AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACTIVITIES, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FROM THESE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRIORITIES DELINEATED IN THE 2018-2022 CONSOLIDATED PLAN.**

**WHEREAS**, the City is an entitlement recipient of HUD formula grant programs as follows: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds; and

**WHEREAS**, CDBG funds are used to provide vital public services, housing activities and improvements to public facilities, that benefit low-to moderate-income persons; and HOME funds are used for affordable housing activities, including multi-family rentals that benefit low-income persons; and

**WHEREAS**, the City expects to continue to receive entitlement funds from these grant programs to operate the City's housing and community development activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) is one of the approved methods for funds distribution established in the *City's Citizen Participation Plan* that was previously accepted by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

**WHEREAS**, the Administration recommends that the Mayor and City Commission authorize the issuance of an RFP for the FY 2021 CDBG funds and an RFP for the FY 2021 HOME funds, in order to identify and fund eligible organizations who provide eligible public services, affordable housing, and capital improvement projects; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD's allocation for CDBG funds and HOME funds has not been determined; and

**WHEREAS**, CHDO's are affordable housing development organizations that request certification from the City annually to become eligible to receive HOME funds for qualified affordable housing projects that serve households earning up to 80% of Area Median Income (AMI), which funding requires that at least fifteen percent (15%) of HOME funds must be reserved for specific activities to be undertaken by the CHDO; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD has issued a temporary suspension of the CHDO reservation requirement through December 31, 2021; therefore, the City Administration seeks to allocate the FY 2021 reservation to the proposed RFP award, for use by an agency with a viable project aligned with the City's *Consolidated Plan*; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan has identified the following needs:

- affordable housing;
- economic support activities (for very low-and moderate-income families);
- youth programs;

- elder programs; and
- public services; and

**WHEREAS**, the CDBG funding allocation will set aside \$40,000 for the City's elderly grocery program, and an additional \$40,000 for the City's new prosperity initiative, which initiative seeks to promote financial independence for Miami Beach low-to moderate-income residents including, without limitation, providing access to entitlements, job improvement (training and reducing underemployment), increasing credit worthiness and preparing eligible applicants for the City's First-Time Homeowner Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Administration will review RFP submissions to ensure that projects align with the needs identified in the *2018-2022 Consolidated Plan* and will evaluate project feasibility; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 *Annual Action Plan* for federal funds is a requirement under the HUD formula grant programs, which include the CDBG and HOME Programs and must be submitted by August 15, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will also use the results of the RFP to prepare and submit to HUD the 2021 *Annual Action Plan*, to be approved by the City Commission, based on activities that the City wishes to fund from the FY 2021 entitlement allocations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Administration recommends approving the issuance of these Requests for Proposals, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference and attached to the City Commission Memorandum that accompanies this Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby authorize the issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for FY 2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and for FY 2021 Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds, to fund eligible public services, affordable housing activities, and capital improvement projects from these U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) entitlement allocations, in accordance with the priorities delineated in the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dan Gelber, Mayor

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney

2-3-21  
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Date