

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA,
APPROVING THE 2021 HUD ANNUAL ACTION
PLAN, CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH THE
REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
PROGRAM AND HOME INVESTMENT
PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAM, AND
AUTHORIZING STAFF TO SUBMIT ALL
APPROVED DOCUMENTS AND
CERTIFICATIONS TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT
OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has determined that the City of Merced will receive formula allocations of \$1,132,674 of Community Block Grant (CDBG) and \$548,734 of Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds for the 2021 program year, spanning July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, and are required to prepare and submit a comprehensive Annual Action Plan, in order to use these funds;

WHEREAS, the City of Merced held public hearings on June 21, 2021, and July 6, 2021, to consider public comments on the one-year goals, proposed Community Organization programs, proposed expenditure of Federal and City funds, and other topics and data contained in the Draft 2021 Annual Action Plan;

WHEREAS, during said public hearings, information was provided about HUD's requirements to meet specific National Objectives when funding programs and activities, and a discussion was held regarding eligible uses of CDBG and HOME funds in the City of Merced during the 2021 program year;

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2021, the City received notice from HUD that provided availability of a waiver of certain regulatory requirements, allowing grantees to change their public comment periods from 30 days to no less than three days when facilitating preparation of the Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Plan, as long as grantees otherwise continue to follow their adopted citizen participation plans; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Merced has, while restricted to virtual and other alternative community outreach due to the COVID-1 pandemic, followed its

adopted Citizen Participation Plan in providing residents with multiple opportunities to comment on concerns involving affordable housing, various community concerns, and the available amount, range of eligible activities, and program requirements for expenditure of CDBG and HOME funds towards housing and community development, and provided citizens with reasonable opportunity to participate in development of the 2021 Annual Action Plan by choosing to implement a reduced 15-day comment period, commencing on June 8, 2021, and ending on June 22, 2021, in utilizing the recent HUD comment period waiver discussed hereto; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE, FIND, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Merced hereby approves the City of Merced's 2021 HUD Annual Action Plan. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute all documents related thereto, and staff is authorized to submit all documents to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and make any subsequent required corrections to the submitted plan, as specifically directed by HUD.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Merced at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____ 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members:

NOES: Council Members:

ABSENT: Council Members:

ABSTAIN: Council Members:

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:
STEPHANIE R. DIETZ, CITY CLERK

BY: _____
Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Rebecca A. Doherty 6/3/21
City Attorney Date