

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE OLDER ADULTS HOME MODIFICATION PROGRAM PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF REQUIRED GRANT AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia is dedicated to the health and well-being of all residents, including seniors aged 62 and older; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes has announced a grant opportunity titled ‘Older Adults Home Modification Grant Program’ (OAHMP) application for which is due November 19th, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the program is available for eligible applicants including local governments to make safety and functional home modifications, repairs and renovations to meet the needs of low-income seniors; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the home modification program is to enable low-income elderly persons to remain in their homes through low-cost, low-barrier, high-impact home modifications to reduce seniors’ risk of falling, improve general safety, increase accessibility, and to improve their functional abilities in their home; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program contains the capacity and experience required to carry out the goals outlined by the OAHMP; and

WHEREAS, the City regularly partners with local service providers Rebuilding Together Thurston County and South Puget Sound Habitat for Humanity to provide housing rehabilitation for low- and moderate-income families; and

WHEREAS, the City has completed many surveys and studies surrounding the available housing stock and has determined there is a desperate need for the preservation and improvement of existing affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, low-income adults aged 62 and older often have less access to healthy and affordable housing and safety resources; and

WHEREAS, City staff have prepared a grant application requesting \$1,500,000 of federal funding to participate in the OAHMP in partnership with Rebuilding Together Thurston County and South Puget Sound Habitat for Humanity;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

1. The Olympia City Council hereby approves the City’s application for a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Older Adults Home Modification Program Project and the terms and conditions contained in that grant.

2. The City Manager or his designee is directed and authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Olympia the application for the grant, and any other documents necessary to obligate funds for the Older Adults Home Modification Project, and to make any amendments or minor modifications as may be required and are consistent with the intent of the Grant Application, and to correct any scrivener's errors.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____ 2024.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael M. Young

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY