



Staff Reports

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To: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Vincent Smith, Community Development Director
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TITLE:
CalHome Disaster Assistance Grant

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the 2019 CalHome Program Disaster Assistance funds from the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development in the amount of \$2,130,000 to be made available to qualified households, including those impacted by eligible 2017 and 2018 disasters; and approving both revenue and expenditure budget adjustments to appropriate the grant revenue in the CalHome Fund in the amount of \$2,130,000, as documented in Budget Adjustment Form No. BE-2111503.

DISCUSSION:

The City has been awarded a \$2,130,000 grant from the State CalHome Program's Disaster Assistance funds. Napa qualified for this funding due to the October 2017 North Bay wildfires. This grant will provide homebuyer assistance in the form of deferred, no-interest loans of up to \$100,000 to approximately 20 eligible households for the purchase of homes in Napa. It will also provide funds for staff to deliver the program. Under the terms of the grant, at least 75% of the funds must be used to assist low and moderate income households who were impacted by a qualifying 2017 or 2018 disaster. This includes households who have been:

1. Directly displaced by an eligible disaster;
2. Directly displaced as a result of the disaster because their landlords moved into their rental properties; or
3. Economically displaced because their rents increased by 5% or more within six months of the disaster.

Because staff did not anticipate receiving this grant when the City's two year budget was adopted in June 2019, a budget adjustment is needed to implement the grant in Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS:

Approval of this item would provide \$2,130,000 in grant funds for first time homebuyer assistance and associated activity delivery. It would also approve a \$2,130,000 budget adjustment to both revenues and expenditures in the CalHome Fund (IFAS GL 23601-33401 and 23601-58608) to reflect the CalHome Program Disaster Assistance grant award and associated grant-funded expenditures.

CEQA:

The Community Development Director has determined the Recommended Action described in this Agenda Report is not subject to CEQA, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c).

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

ATCH 1 - Resolution

EX A - Budget Adjustment Form No. BE-2111503

NOTIFICATION:

Notice of this item was placed on an agenda at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting.