

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: June 14, 2021

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Ben Rowe, Assistant City Manager
Marla Y. Newman, Community Development Director

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Authorizing Annual Submission of Emergency Solutions Grant Application, Acceptance of Grants Funds, And Execution of Agreements

Strategic Focus Area: Livable Neighborhoods

Strategic Objective: Expand Housing Assistance Programs

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

Annually, the State of North Carolina issues a Request for Proposals for Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) funds for programs that serve homeless persons. The City of Winston-Salem serves as the Collaborative Applicant for the Continuum of Care in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County and is conducting the process to obtain State ESG funds on behalf of local agencies for FFY 2021. The application process for local agencies to apply for State ESG funds was included as part of the Community Agency FY 2021-2022 Request for Funding.

Funding recommendations, as shown in Exhibit A, were developed by the Continuum of Care Rating Panel and reviewed by the Continuum of Care Operating Cabinet and the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Commission on Ending Homelessness. The City’s Community Agency Allocation Committee reviewed and accepted the recommendations. The State’s Request for Proposals is expected to be issued in July 2021. The application typically is due within 45

Committee Action:

Committee	Finance 6/14/21 CDHGG 6/15/21	Action	Approval
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Remarks:

days of issue of the Request for Proposals. The State may contract directly with local agencies or with the City to pass through funds to local agencies.

The accompanying resolution authorizes the City Manager to apply for State ESG funds, submit required information and documents to the State, execute agreements necessary to carry out the proposed activities in the amounts provided by the State, and submit periodic progress reports to the State.