

AMENDMENT/ADDENDUM TO COOPERATION AGREEMENT

This Agreement Amendment/Addendum covers the CDBG Entitlement program and, where applicable, the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Programs.

Per requirement of the CPD Notice 24-02: Instructions for Urban County Qualification for Participation in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for Fiscal Years (FYs) 2025-2027 to read:

Paragraph II has been amended to read as follows:

The City and the County acknowledge that this Cooperation Agreement covers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program, the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program. Furthermore, the City understands that it may not apply for grants from appropriations under the small cities or State CDBG Programs during the period in which it is participating in the County's CDBG Program. The City further understands and agrees that it may receive funding under the HOME and ESG programs only through the County, unless the County does not receive an allocation for such funding at which time the City may apply for HOME or ESG funding from the State.

Paragraph IV has been amended to read as follows:

This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect for the period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2027. The Agreement will be automatically renewed at the end of this period for consecutive three-year periods unless the Agreement is specifically terminated in writing by either party before the end of the County's three-year qualification period. The County agrees to notify the City by the date specified in HUD's Urban County Qualification Notice for each successive qualification period of the City's right to not participate and to send a copy of such notice to the HUD Field Office. The City and the County acknowledge that they are aware that federal regulations do not permit the County to allow the City to withdraw from this Agreement or otherwise terminate this Agreement at any time during the period covered by the Agreement.

The City and the County also acknowledge that it will adopt any amendment to this Agreement to incorporate any changes necessary to meet the requirements for cooperation agreements set forth in any Urban County Qualification Notice which may be applicable for any subsequent three-year period and to submit such amendment to HUD as provided in the Urban County Qualification Notice, and that failure by either party to adopt such amendments will void the automatic renewal of such qualification period.

Furthermore, the City and the County acknowledge that this Agreement remains in effect until the CDBG, HOME and ESG funds and program income received with respect to the initial *three*-year qualification period and any successive qualification periods are expended and the funded activities completed and that the County and City shall not terminate or withdraw from the Agreement while the Agreement remains in effect.

Paragraph IX has been amended to read as follows:

In the performance of this Agreement, the County and all cooperating units of general local government executing this Agreement agree to take all actions necessary to assure compliance with County's

certification required by Section 104(b) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and will be conducted and administered in conformity with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 1, the Fair Housing Act and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 100, and will affirmatively further fair housing. See 24 CFR 91.225(a) and 5.105(a). The County and City also agree to comply with Section 109 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 6, which incorporates Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 35, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146, and Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as well as other applicable laws. The City and County further agree that Urban County funding in no event will be used for activities in, or in support of, any cooperating unit of local government that impedes the County's actions to comply with the County's fair housing certification and duty to affirmatively further fair housing (AFFH).

Parties to this Agreement understand and agree that they may not sell, trade, or otherwise transfer all or any portion of CDBG funds to a Metropolitan City, Urban County, unit of general local government, or insular area that directly or indirectly receives CDBG funds in exchange for any funds, credits, or non-Federal considerations, but must use such funds for activities eligible under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

Paragraph XIV now reads as follows:

This Agreement shall be of no force and effect unless and until it is executed by both parties hereto and as set forth below.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this instrument in duplicate originals has been executed by the parties hereto as follows:

- a. It has been executed on behalf of Brazoria County on the ____ day of _____, 2024, by the County Judge of Brazoria County and attested by the County Clerk of Brazoria County pursuant to an order authorizing such execution.

- b. It has been executed on behalf of the City on the ____ day of _____, 2024, by its Mayor and attested by its City Secretary, pursuant to action of the City Council of the City authorizing such execution.

BRAZORIA COUNTY

L.M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr.

ATTEST

By: _____
County Clerk

CITY OF _____

Mayor

ATTEST

By: _____
City Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF CITY ATTORNEY

CITY OF _____, TEXAS

I have examined the foregoing Agreement, and as City Attorney for the City named therein, I hereby certify that the terms and provisions of this Agreement are fully authorized under State and local law applicable to the City (including but not limited to the City's Charter and ordinances).

Date

City Attorney

ORDER

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA §

On this the _____ day of _____, 2024, the Commissioners’ Court, sitting as the governing body of Brazoria County, Texas, at a regular meeting, upon motion of Commissioner _____ seconded by Commissioner _____, duly put and carried,

IT IS ORDERED that the County Judge be, and he is hereby authorized to execute, and the County Clerk is hereby authorized to attest for and on behalf of Brazoria County, an agreement between Brazoria County and the City of _____ for the purpose of cooperating in the County’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME, and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Programs for Federal FY 2025-2027, which agreement is hereby referred to and made a part hereof for all purposes as though fully set out herein.

Signed by:

L. M. “Matt” Sebesta, Jr., County Judge _____

Commissioner “Dude” Payne, Pct. 1 _____

Commissioner Ryan Cade, Pct. 2 _____

Commissioner Stacy Adams, Pct. 3 _____

Commissioner David Linder, Pct. 4 _____