

ORDINANCE NO. 098, 2022
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
APPROPRIATING PRIOR YEAR RESERVES IN THE GENERAL FUND TO PROVIDE
FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE UNITED NEIGHBORS/VECINOS UNIDOS FOR THE
NUEVA VIDA MOBILE HOME PARK

WHEREAS, the residents of Parklane Mobile Home Park, located in the City’s growth management area (the “Park”), were recently able to organize and purchase the Park with financial assistance from Impact Development Fund, Bohemian Foundation, and Larimer County; and

WHEREAS, the Park, now owned by United Neighbors/Vecinos Unidos (“UN/VU”), a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, has been renamed Nueva Vida Mobile Home Park; and

WHEREAS, UN/VU is seeking City funding of \$125,000 to put towards approximately \$1,000,000 in urgent and necessary infrastructure repairs to the Park including tree maintenance and removal, water and sewer pipes, and asphalt and concrete work; and

WHEREAS, at the City Council meeting on April 5, 2022, several City Councilmembers asked staff to examine possible options to support the residents’ purchase of the Park; and

WHEREAS, the Affordable Housing Board discussed the opportunity for the residents to purchase the Park at its April 7, 2022 meeting and supported the efforts of UN/VU to acquire the Park; and

WHEREAS, this funding request was further discussed by the Council Finance Committee at its meeting on September 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the funding would be provided and managed as a grant from the City to UN/VU pursuant to a grant agreement administered by the City’s Neighborhood Services Department (the “Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement would require UN/VU to use City-approved vendors, wherever possible, for work paid for with City funds, to ensure vendors are qualified, and properly licensed and insured; and

WHEREAS, the City would reimburse UN/VU for work completed until all funds have been expended, with a deadline of December 31, 2023 for expenditure of the City funds; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation benefits the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Fort Collins and serves the public purpose of preserving the long-term affordability and condition of existing housing stock in the Fort Collins area, including mobile home parks; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon the recommendation of the City Manager, to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year such funds for expenditure as may be available from reserves

accumulated in prior years, notwithstanding that such reserves were not previously appropriated; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that this appropriation is available and previously unappropriated from the General Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in this Fund during this fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That the City Council hereby appropriates from prior year reserves in the General Fund the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000) to be expended in the General Fund for providing financial support to the United Neighbors/Vecinos Unidos for the Nueva Vida Mobile Home Park.

Section 3. That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute an Agreement with UN/VU for expenditure of the funds appropriated herein on terms and conditions consistent with this Ordinance, together with such other terms and conditions as the City Manager, in consultation with the City Attorney, determines are necessary or appropriate to protect the interests of the City and carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading and ordered published this 20th day of September, A.D. 2022, and to be presented for final passage on the 4th day of October, A.D. 2022.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading this 4th day of October, A.D. 2022.

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