



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: January 11, 2023

PRESENTER: John Jansons, City Manager

SUBJECT: Participation in Fresno County's Urban County Development Block Grant for Program Years 2024-25, 2025-26, 2026-27 (JAJ)

RECOMMENDATION: Council by motion adopt resolution approving participation in a Joint Powers Agreement for administration of the County Community Development Block Grant program for Program Years 2024-25, 2025-26, 2026-27.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The City of Kerman has participated in a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the County of Fresno and other cities for Urban County Entitlement Status with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order to receive entitlement grant funds under the Federal County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and related Home Investment Partnerships Act (HOME) programs since its inception in Fresno County.

Every three years the County of Fresno and its partner cities must requalify with each city approving a resolution notifying the County of the City's official decision to participate in the County's program.

In the past, the CDBG program has funded: the Del Norte sewer line, 1st Street and Del Norte storm drain improvements, California Avenue drainage, ADA improvements, curb and sidewalk projects, partial funding for the Community/Teen Center and Katey's Kids Park.

Potential future projects include housing, public works infrastructure, public facilities, public service programs, and the HOME program that meet CDBG eligibility criteria and serve CDBG eligible neighborhoods and communities.

Once the City commits to continuing as a partner in the JPA, a new agreement will be prepared by the County in substantially the same form as written in Attachment B for execution by the City Manager.

FISCAL IMPACT: The City can expect to be eligible to receive approximately \$130,000 per year.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Resolution
- B. Current JPA

RESOLUTION NO. 23-___

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KERMAN APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT (JPA) FOR PURPOSES OF ADMINISTERING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PROGRAM YEARS 2024-25, 2025-26, 2026-27

WHEREAS, the County of Fresno and some of the cities therein, by joining in a combined effort under the terms of a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), qualify as an urban county for grants under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has given conceptual agreement to participate and the City of Kerman continues membership and association with other cities and County in a JPA.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Kerman that the Joint Powers Agreement by and between the County of Fresno and the incorporated cities of Coalinga, Fowler, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Reedley, Sanger and Selma therein, for the purpose of qualifying for Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) and for the administration of applications, allocations, and distributions of funds received in the CDBG programs, and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to sign the Joint Powers Agreement on behalf of the City.

The foregoing resolution was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Kerman held on the 11th day of January 2023, and passed at said meeting by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

The foregoing resolution is hereby approved.

Maria Pacheco
Mayor

ATTEST:

Marci Reyes
City Clerk