RESOLUTION NO. 20-108

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVING THE USE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT FOR FUNDING A MICROENTERPRISE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND FINANCING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, in June, 2020, the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) released its Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Round 1 funds for the 2020/21 funding year; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mendocino has been allocated \$293,812 of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Housing and Community Development has directed local jurisdictions to make application for these funds; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide flexible financing and technical assistance to local microenterprise businesses and entrepreneurs during the COVID-19 Shelter in Place policy implementation period; and

WHEREAS, staff have weighed the eligibility and readiness status to implement a Microenterprise Technical and Financial Assistance Program to meet the need for small grants and technical assistance for microenterprise; and

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2020, a public hearing was conducted by the Board of Supervisors as required by the County's Citizen Participation Plan, pursuant to federal Citizen Participation requirements, to receive public comment and to request the Board's authority, by approving this resolution, to authorize submittal of an application to HCD for the purpose of receiving approval to utilize CDBG Cares Act funds for a microenterprise technical assistance and financing program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors as follows:

Section 1:

The County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the submission to the State of California of an application to utilize Community Development Block Grant Cares Act funds in the amount of \$293,812 for the purpose of establishing a microenterprise technical assistance and small grant program. The funding budget is as follows, \$59,097 administration, \$14,715 technical assistance, and \$220,000 financial assistance.

Section 2:

The County acknowledges compliance with all state and federal public participation requirements in the development of its application.

Section 3:

The County hereby authorizes and directs the County Executive Officer, and or Designee to execute and deliver all applications and act on the County's behalf in all matters pertaining to all such applications.

Section 4:

If an application is approved, the County Executive Officer, or Designee, is authorized to enter into, execute any and all agreements associated with the use of CDBG Cares Act for the purposes described herein, and subsequent amendments thereto with the State of California.

Section 5:

If an application is approved, the County Executive Officer, or Designee, is authorized to sign and submit all required reporting forms and other documentation as may be required by the State of California from time to time in connection with the use of CDBG Cares Act funds.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor Gjerde, seconded by Supervisor Williams, and carried this 18th day of August, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

Supervisors Brown, McCowen, Haschak, Gjerde, and Williams

NOES:

None.

ABSENT:

None.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

ATTEST:

CARMEL J. ANGELO

Clerk of the Board

Denuty

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CHRISTIAN M. CURTIS

County Counsel

JOHN HASCHAK, Chair

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

BY:

Y: CARMEL J. ANGELO

Clerk of the Board

Deputy