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Councilmember Gilbert A. Cedillo, Chair Housing Committee Attention: Eric Villanueva, Legislative Assistant

RE: TRANSMITTAL FOR COUNCIL FILE NO. 20-1433-S2

On February 22, 2022, the Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Recovery and Neighborhood Investment considered a joint report from the Community Investment for Families Department (CIFD) and Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) relative to the acceptance of funding allocation of the HOME Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) program for homelessness assistance and supportive services; and, authorization to submit an amendment of the Program Year 47 (2021-22) Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan (Con Plan). After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended approval of the following recommendations:

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. ACCEPT the allocation of \$99,891,031 in HOME-ARP funding provided to the City from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the American Rescue Plan Act for HOME-ARP programs.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, CIFD, or designee, to submit an amendment to the Program 47 Housing and Community Development Con Plan for the 2021-22 program year to effectuate the intent of the recommended actions contained in the joint report from the CIFD and LAHD, dated February 1, 2022, attached to the Council file, after the public comment period ends.
- 3. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, CIFD, or designee, to negotiate and execute a new contract with LIFT, Inc. in an amount up to \$1,500,000, to educate the public on the available resources provided through the proposed L.A. Emergency Fund program, and to provide technical assistance on the LIFT financial coaching model to all 16 FamilySource Centers, which will result in direct service to eligible households, for the period of July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024, including an option to renew and amend the contract for an additional one-year term, subject to the approval of the Mayor and Council, along with the City Attorney as to form.
- 4. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, CIFD, or designee, to negotiate and execute a new contract with the Southern California Housing Rights Center in an amount up to \$6,940,000

to review and process the request for funds for the L.A. Emergency Fund program, for the period of July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024, including an option to renew and amend the contract for an additional one-year term, subject to the approval of the Mayor and Council, along with the City Attorney as to form.

- 5. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a new, interest-bearing fund entitled "HOME-ARP" for the receipt and disbursement of the HOME-ARP grant from the HUD, to be administered by the LAHD.
 - b. Establish new accounts and appropriate funds as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Account Title	<u>Amount</u>
43VB79	HOME ARP - Homekey	\$ 58,119,965
43VB80	HOME ARP – AHMP	\$ 20,000,000
43VB81	HOME ARP – Eviction Defense	\$ 10,200,000
43VB82	HOME ARP – Adm Reserve – LAHD	\$ 2,571,066
43VB83	HOME ARP – Adm Reserve - CIFD	\$ 560,000
43VB84	HOME ARP – L.A. Emergency Fund	
	Outreach, Technical Assistance, and Financial Coaching	\$ 1,500,000
43VB85	HOME ARP – L.A. Emergency Fund	\$ 6,940,000

- 6. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, to amend Contract No. C-138260 with the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles to allocate an additional amount up to \$10,200,000 from HOME-ARP funding source, and extend the contract term through June 30, 2024 for eviction defense services and program evaluation, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.
- 7. AUTHORIZE the General Managers, CIFD and LAHD, or designees, to prepare Controller instructions and/or make any technical adjustments that may be required and are consistent with the intent of these recommended actions, with the approval of the Chief Legislative Analyst; and, INSTRUCT the Controller to implement these instructions.

Pursuant to the multiple referral of this matter, the subject Council File is hereby transmitted to the Housing Committee for consideration. This matter awaits consideration by the aforementioned Committee.

Sincerely,

Armando X. Bencomo, Legislative Assistant

Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Recovery and Neighborhood Investment

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