

AD HOC ON COVID-19 RECOVERY AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT and HOUSING COMMITTEES REPORT 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 amendment of the Program Year 47 (2021-22) Housing and Community Development Consolidated Action Plan (Con Plan).

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, Community Investment for Families Department (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 Los Angeles Housing Department (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>	<u>Account Title</u>	<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, CIFI 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, REQUEST the Controller to implement these instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CIFI and LAHD report that there is no fiscal impact to the General Fund, as all costs will be paid by the HOME-ARP Federal grant.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

At a Special Meeting held on February 22, 2022, the Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Recovery and Neighborhood Investment considered a joint report from the CIFI and LAHD relative to accepting the allocation of \$99,891,031 in HOME-ARP funding provided to the City from HUD to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services, and authorization to submit an amendment of the Program Year 47 (2021-22) Housing and Community Development Con Plan; and, related transactions. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Ad Hoc Committee recommended approval of the recommendations contained in the joint report from the CIFI and LAHD.

On March 9, 2022, the Housing Committee also considered the joint report from the CIFI and LAHD. LAHD and CIFI staff provided an overview of the matter. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Housing Committee concurred with the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Recovery and Neighborhood Investment Report, dated February 22, 2022, in approving the recommendations contained in the joint report from the CIFI and LAHD. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 RECOVERY AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
PRICE:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT
CEDILLO:	ABSENT

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HOUSING COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
CEDILLO:	YES
RAMAN:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON::	ABSENT
KREKORIAN:	YES
LEE:	YES

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