## SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



SUBMITTAL DATE: August 8, 2013

**FROM:** Housing Authority

NTY COUNSEL

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**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Housing Authority Resolution No. 2013-008, Supporting the Reservation for California Department of Veteran Affairs Funding and Intent to Donate Land for the Habitat for Humanity Riverside Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Commissioners adopt the attached Housing Authority Resolution No. 2013-008, supporting the reservation for California Department of Veteran Affairs funding and intent to donate land for the Habitat for Humanity Riverside Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project.

BACKGROUND: (Commences on Page 2) Robert Field **Executive Director Current F.Y. Total Cost:** In Current Year Budget: \$0 N/A **FINANCIAL Current F.Y. Net County Cost:** \$0 **Budget Adjustment:** No DATA **Annual Net County Cost:** For Fiscal Year: \$0 2013/14 COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA: No SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A **Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30** Requires 4/5 Vote C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: **APPROVE** Jennifer L **County Executive Office Signature** 

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## **BACKGROUND:**

On March 26, 2013, the County of Riverside pledged its goal to ensure that every veteran in Riverside County who wishes to help themselves has access to medical and mental health services, workforce development training and job assistance, and affordable housing priority under the Veteran Assistance Legislation of Riverside County (VALOR). As a member of the VALOR sub-committee of the Board, the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside supports the program and its "No Veteran Left Behind" strategy.

The California Department of Veteran Affairs (CalVet) is commissioned to serve California's veterans and their families. CalVet is committed to expanding housing opportunities for veterans in California and has reserved \$9,000,000 with Habitat for Humanity Riverside (Habitat Riverside) to provide home loans under the terms and conditions prescribed by the Military and Veterans Code and Title 12 of the California Code of Regulations. The CalVet Home Loan Program plays an important role in the efforts of the Governor and CalVet to address California's Veteran housing needs. The California Administration is committed to targeting valuable state resources to communities making progress in addressing their share of Veteran regional housing needs.

Habitat Riverside is a nonprofit public benefit corporation engaged in building safe and affordable housing for low-income veterans and their families. Habitat Riverside is proposing to develop and construct 35 to 45 single-family homes for low-income veteran families on approximately 8.0 acres of vacant land owned by the Housing Authority located on the north side of Mission Boulevard, between Bellegrave Avenue and Pedley Road, in the City of Jurupa Valley. In collaboration with CalVet and Habitat for Humanity San Fernando/Santa Clarita Valleys, Habitat Riverside plans to implement their trademarked Habitat Enriched Neighborhood model and partner with local businesses and community organizations to provide the community of 35 to 45 low-income veteran families with social services and training to achieve self-sufficiency (Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project).

In order to maintain the reservation of funds from CalVet, Habitat Riverside is requesting a resolution by September 30, 2013, from the Housing Authority, supporting the project and committing to contribute land at no cost to the project. The land for donation was acquired with Redevelopment Low and Moderate Income Housing Funds in multiple bulk purchases in 2001, 2004 and 2009 in the total amount of \$1,207,000. A portion of the parcels acquired in 2001 were utilized for the development of Mission Village Senior Apartments, completed in 2010. The balance of properties were reserved for a singlefamily subdivision project that was stalled due to the housing market crash and later terminated due to the dissolution of redevelopment in California. The properties were transferred to the Housing Authority with approval from the California Department of Finance in 2012. Each home will be limited to households whose incomes do not exceed 80% of the area median income for the County of Riverside, adjusted by family size at the time of occupancy, and restricted for a period of at least 45 years from the close of escrow. The land contribution would facilitate the development of affordable housing for veteran families of low-income and would assist the County of Riverside and the State of California in achieving its goals of assisting veterans and their families. Staff recommends that the Board support the Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project and contribute land at no cost to the project subject to meeting all legal requirements, environmental clearances, entitlements and negotiation of a Disposition and Development Agreement satisfactory to the Board.

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## **BACKGROUND:** (Continued)

County Counsel has reviewed and approved as to form the attached Housing Authority Resolution No. 2013-008, supporting the reservation for California Department of Veteran Affairs funding and intent to donate land for the Habitat for Humanity Riverside Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project. Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution No. 2013-008.

Attachments:

Housing Authority Resolution No. 2013-008

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION 2013-008
SUPPORTING THE RESERVATION FOR CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS ("CALVET") FUNDING
AND INTENT TO DONATE LAND
FOR THE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RIVERSIDE
JURUPA VALLEY ENRICHED VETERANS NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2013, the County of Riverside pledged its goal to ensure that every veteran in Riverside County who wishes to help themselves has access to medical and mental health services, workforce development training and job assistance, and affordable housing priority under the Veteran Assistance Legislation of Riverside County ("VALOR");

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside ("Housing Authority") is a member of the VALOR sub-committee of the Board to support its program and its "No Veteran Left Behind" strategy;

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Veteran Affairs ("CalVet") is commissioned to serve California's veterans and their families;

WHEREAS, CalVet is committed to expanding housing opportunities for veterans in California and has reserved \$9,000,000 with Habitat for Humanity Riverside ("Habitat Riverside") to provide home loans under the terms and conditions prescribed by the Military and Veterans Code and Title 12 of the California Code of Regulations;

WHEREAS, the CalVet Home Loan Program plays an important role in the efforts of the Governor and CalVet to address California's Veteran housing needs;

WHEREAS, the California Administration is committed to targeting valuable state resources to communities making progress in addressing their share of Veteran regional housing needs;

WHEREAS, Habitat Riverside is a nonprofit public benefit corporation engaged in building safe and affordable housing for low-income veterans and their families;

WHEREAS, Habitat Riverside is proposing to develop and construct 35 to 45 singlefamily homes for low-income veterans and their families on approximately 8.0 acres of vacant

land owned by the Housing Authority located on the north side of Mission Boulevard, between Bellegrave Avenue and Pedley Road, in the City of Jurupa Valley;

WHEREAS, in collaboration with CalVet and Habitat for Humanity San Fernando/Santa Clarita Valleys, Habitat Riverside will implement its Habitat Enriched Neighborhood model and partner with local businesses and community organizations to provide and support the community of 35 to 45 low-income veterans and their families with social services and training to achieve self-sufficiency ("Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project");

WHEREAS, in order to maintain the reservation of \$9,000,000 from CalVet, Habitat Riverside must provide a resolution by September 30, 2013 from the Housing Authority, supporting the Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project and committing to contribute land at no cost to the project;

**WHEREAS**, Habitat Riverside is requesting support and the contribution of land from the Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, facilitating the development of affordable housing for veteran families of low-income through the contribution of land would assist the County of Riverside and the State of California in achieving its goals of assisting veterans and their families.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED** by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on August 20, 2013, as follows:

- That the Board of Commissioners hereby finds and declares that the above recitals are true and correct.
- 2) The Board of Commissioners supports Habitat Riverside's reservation of CalVet funding for the proposed development and construction of 35 to 45 single-family homes for low-income veterans and their families in the City of Jurupa Valley in Riverside County. Each home shall be limited to households whose incomes do not exceed 80% of the area median income for the County of Riverside, adjusted by family size at the time of occupancy, and restricted for a period of at least 45 years from the close of escrow.
- 3) The Board of Commissioners intends to contribute approximately 8.0 acres of vacant

land owned by the Housing Authority at no cost to the Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project, located on the north side of Mission Boulevard, between Bellegrave Avenue and Pedley Road, in the City of Jurupa Valley, subject to meeting all legal requirements, environmental clearances, entitlements and negotiation of a Disposition and Development Agreement satisfactory to the Board.

The Board of Commissioners commitment to contribute land is valid until August 20, 2014, and shall thereafter have no force or effect, unless a Disposition and Development Agreement has theretofore been approved and executed by the Board of Commissioners and Habitat for Humanity Riverside, with respect to the Jurupa Valley Enriched Veterans Neighborhood Project.

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

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