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FROM: Riverside Community Housing Corp.

SUBMITTAL TO THE RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY HOUSING CORP.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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SUBMITTAL DATE:

April 30, 2015

SUBJECT: Approval of the Agreement between the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside and the Riverside Community Housing Corp. for Use of Funds for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Assistance Program; All Districts; [\$500,000]; Housing Authority of the County of Riverside Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Funds 100%; Project is CEQA Exempt

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Directors:

- 1. Find that the project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3);
- 2. Approve the attached Agreement between the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside (Authority) and the Riverside Community Housing Corp. (RCHC) for the Use of Funds for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Assistance Program (Agreement);

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Robert Field
Chief Executive Officer

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:		Next Fiscal Year:		Total Cost:		Ongoing Cost:		POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)		
COST	\$		\$	250,000	\$	500,000	\$	0	Consent 💢	Policy	
NET COUNTY COST	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	Consent	rolley ,	
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Housing Authority of the County of Riverside Low-								Budget Adjustment: No			
Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund.								For Fiscal Year	: 2015	/16-2016/17	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

Bahini Dacik

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY HOUSING CORP. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SUBMITTAL TO THE RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY HOUSING CORP. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FROM: Riverside Community Housing Corp.

FORM 11: Approval of the Agreement between the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside and the Riverside Community Housing Corp. for Use of Funds for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Assistance Program; All Districts; [\$500,000]; Housing Authority of the County of Riverside Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Funds 100%; Project is CEQA Exempt

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: (Continued)

- 3. Authorize the Chairman of the RCHC Board of Directors to execute the attached Agreement;
- 4. Authorize the RCHC Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and/or Chief Operating Officer (COO) to submit a request to the Authority to exercise the option to allocate additional funds up to \$250,000 and extend the term of the Agreement one (1) additional year, as set forth in the attached Agreement; and
- 5. Authorize the RCHC Officers to take all necessary steps to implement the Agreement and the option contained therein, including but not limited to, signing any subsequent, necessary and relevant documents, subject to approval by General Counsel.

BACKGROUND: Summary

The Riverside Community Housing Corp. (RCHC) is requesting funds derived from the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside's (Housing Authority) Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund (LMIHAF) to implement a program to provide homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing assistance to individuals and households within the County of Riverside (County) who are homeless or are at risk of becoming homeless (Program). The Program assistance will be restricted to individuals and households that qualify as extremely low income (incomes not exceeding 30% of the area median income) as defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 50106. The Program scope includes provision of short-term or medium-term rental assistance, housing relocation and stabilization services including housing search, mediation, or outreach to property owners, security or utility deposits, utility payments, rental assistance for a final month at a location, moving cost assistance, and case management, or other appropriate activities for homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing of persons who are homeless or at-risk for homelessness.

In order to implement the Program, RCHC is requesting LMIHAF funds in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 as set forth in the proposed Agreement between the Authority and RCHC for the Use of Funds for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Assistance Program which is attached (Agreement). Pursuant to the Agreement, \$250,000 in funds derived from the LMIHAF would be provided to RCHC for fiscal year 2015-16 (First Installment). The balance of funds would only be disbursed upon the exercise by the Housing Authority of an option to extend the term and amount of assistance as discussed below.

The proposed Agreement also contains an option to extend the term for up to 1 additional year and to increase the amount of LMIHAF assistance. Pursuant to the proposed Agreement, no later than 60 days before the expiration of the initial term, RCHC may request, in writing, a second distribution of LMIHAF funds of up to \$250,000 for fiscal year 2016-17 (Second Installment) and an increase in the Agreement term for 1 additional year. The Housing Authority, at its sole discretion, will determine whether to allocate the Second Installment to RCHC subject to availability of LMIHAF funds. Should the Housing Authority determine that Second Installment funds will be advanced to RCHC, the amount of the Second Installment shall not exceed a total of \$250,000 for a maximum possible total of \$500,000.

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BACKGROUND:

Summary (Continued)

Board delegation of authority to the RCHC CEO and COO to submit RCHC's request for the Authority to exercise its Option and provide the Second Installment would greatly expedite timely implementation of the Agreement and ensure uninterrupted provision of services.

Both First Installment and Second Installment funds would be allocated to direct housing assistance, administrative expenses and direct staffing costs subject to the terms set forth in the Agreement. The term of the Agreement shall be for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 with an option to extend through June 30, 2017. Staff estimates that up to 50 individuals and households will be assisted as a result of Program implementation over two fiscal years.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Agreement was reviewed and determined to be categorically exempt from CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b) (3), General Rule or "Common Sense" exemption. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the execution of the Agreement may have a significant effect on the environment, since it is an administrative document and will only have financial effects. A Notice of Exemption will be filed by the Housing Authority staff with the County Clerk within 5 days of the approval of the Agreement.

Staff recommends the following, (i) that the Board approve the Agreement, attached hereto, and authorize the Chairman of the Board to execute the Agreement, (ii) that the Board authorize the RCHC CEO and COO to submit a request to the Housing Authority to exercise the option, and (iii) and that the Board authorize the RCHC Officers to take all necessary steps to implement the Agreement and the option contained therein, including but not limited to, signing any subsequent, necessary and relevant documents, subject to approval by General Counsel. The attached Agreement has been approved as to form by General Counsel.

Impact on Citizens and Businesses

The funding and implementation of a rapid re-housing program will have a positive impact. The Program is expected to provide affordable housing services for residents in the County of Riverside.

ATTACHMENT:

Agreement for the Use of Funds for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Assistance Program

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AGREEMENT FOR THE USE OF FUNDS FOR HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID REHOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

THIS AGREEMENT FOR THE USE OF FUNDS FOR HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID REHOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ("AGREEMENT") is made and entered into this ______ day of _______, 2015 by and between the RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY HOUSING CORP., a California non-profit public benefit corporation ("CORPORATION"), and the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, a public entity, corporate and politic in the State of California ("AUTHORITY"). CORPORATION and AUTHORITY may be individually referred to herein as "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the CORPORATION was created by the AUTHORITY pursuant to Resolution Number 92-002 for the purpose of financing, acquiring, developing, rehabilitating, owning, managing and selling affordable housing in the County of Riverside ("County") for persons of low and moderate income, and to access certain state and federal programs in order to augment programs and services sponsored by AUTHORITY;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34176 (a) (added by Assembly Bill No. x1 26, as modified by Assembly Bill No. 1484 ("Dissolution Bill")), and County Resolution Nos. 2012-035, 2012-001 and 2012-005, all housing functions previously performed by the Redevelopment Agency of the County of Riverside ("RDA"), including related rights, powers, duties, obligations, and housing assets were transferred to the AUTHORITY;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34176 (d) any funds transferred to the AUTHORITY as the "housing successor," together with any funds generated from housing assets, shall be maintained in a separate Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund ("LMIHAF") which was created in the accounts of the AUTHORITY;

WHEREAS, the CORPORATION requires funds to implement a program to provide homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing assistance to individuals and households within the County who are homeless or would be homeless but for this assistance ("PROGRAM");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34176.1 (a) (2), the AUTHORITY may expend up to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) per fiscal year for homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing services;

WHEREAS, the PROGRAM is in conformance with requirements for the use of funds derived from the LMIHAF as set forth in Health and Safety Code Section 34176.1 (a) (2); and

WHEREAS, the CORPORATION and the AUTHORITY desire to enter into this AGREEMENT to specify the terms and conditions under which AUTHORITY will provide funds derived from its LMIHAF to the CORPORATION to be used for homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing services as more specifically set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the foregoing Recitals and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged by all Parties, the AUTHORITY and CORPORATION hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Scope of Services. The CORPORATION shall provide services for individuals or households who are homeless, or would be homeless but for receipt of assistance, including, rental assistance, housing relocation and stabilization services including housing search, mediation, or outreach to property owners, security or utility deposits, utility payments, rental assistance for a final month at a location, moving cost assistance, and case management, or other appropriate activities for homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing of persons who are homeless or would be homeless but for this assistance ("Services" or "assistance"). PROGRAM assistance shall be restricted to individuals and households of extremely low income as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 50106.
- 2. <u>Term of Agreement</u>. The term of this AGREEMENT shall commence on July 1, 2015 and end on June 30, 2016 ("Term"), unless extended as provided in Paragraphs 4 and 10 or earlier terminated as provided in Paragraph 8 herein.

- 3. Grant and Distribution of Funds. The AUTHORITY hereby grants to the CORPORATION Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) ("Initial LMIHAF Grant") derived from its Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund ("LMIHAF") to be used by the CORPORATION to provide the Services and implement the PROGRAM. During the Term, the AUTHORITY shall disburse the Initial LMIHAF Grant to the CORPORATION pursuant to the following schedule:
 - a. The first disbursement will be in an amount equal to Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$62,500) no earlier than July 1, 2015 ("Initial Draw");
 - b. Disbursements subsequent to the Initial Draw will be made in three increments of Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$62,500) each, subject to the CORPPORATION'S satisfaction of the following conditions precedent, as determined by AUTHORITY:
 - (i) The CORPORATION shall provide to the AUTHORITY written evidence that grant funds from the immediately preceding draw have been substantially expended in conformance with the Program scope as provided herein;
 - (ii) The CORPORATION shall provide to the AUTHORITY the names and corresponding percent of the area median income (AMI) of the beneficiaries of the Initial LMIHAF Grant from the immediately preceding draw; and
 - (iii) AUTHORITY shall not disburse more than the total amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) in LMIHAF to CORPORATION during the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.
- 4. Option to Increase LMIHAF Amount and Term of Agreement. The AUTHORITY, through its Executive Director or designee, shall have the right, but not the obligation, in its sole discretion, (i) to increase the amount of funds granted to the CORPORATION from its LMIHAF up to an additional Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) ("Second LMIHAF Grant"), and (ii) to extend the Term of this

AGREEMENT an additional one (1) year through June 30, 2017 ("Extended Term") (collectively, the "Option") pursuant to the terms and provisions of Paragraph 10 below.

- 5. <u>Allocation of Costs</u>. The Initial LMIHAF Grant shall be allocated as follows for costs incurred by CORPORATION as a result of PROGRAM implementation and the provision of the Services described in Paragraph 1, above:
 - a. An amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the Initial LMIHAF Grant for fiscal year 2015-16 may be allocated to administrative expenses;
 - b. An amount not to exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the Initial LMIHAF Grant for fiscal year 2015-16 may be allocated to direct staffing costs; and
 - c. An amount not less than sixty-five percent (65%) of the Initial LMIHAF Grant for fiscal years 2015-16 must be allocated to direct assistance to PROGRAM recipients.
- 6. Documentation, Reports, Inspections and Performance Evaluation.
 - a. <u>Documentation of Expenditures.</u> All expenditures by CORPORATION pertaining in whole or in part to this AGREEMENT must be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts, vouchers, orders and any other accounting documents; such documentation shall be clearly identified and readily accessible.
 - b. <u>Performance Evaluation.</u> CORPORATION shall permit AUTHORITY to monitor, assess, or evaluate CORPORATION's performance under this AGREEMENT on an as needed basis to be determined by the AUTHORITY based on monitoring and performance evaluations. Said monitoring, assessment, or evaluation may include, but is not be limited to, audits, inspections within the program area, and interviews with CORPORATION's employees, agents, independent contractors, and subcontractors providing the services under this AGREEMENT and recipients thereof.
 - c. <u>Records and Inspections</u>. The CORPORATION shall maintain financial, programmatic, statistical, and other supporting records of its operations and

financial activities. Such records shall be open to inspection and audit by the authorized representatives of the AUTHORITY during regular working hours after reasonable notice. Said records shall be retained for a period of not less than ten (10) years after termination of this AGREEMENT.

7. Defaults.

- a. Subject to the extensions of time set forth in Paragraph 13, failure or delay by either party to perform any term or provision of this AGREEMENT constitutes a default under this AGREEMENT. The Party who fails or delays must commence to cure, correct or remedy such failure or delay and shall complete such cure, correction or remedy with reasonable diligence.
- b. The injured Party shall give written notice of default to the Party in default, specifying the default complained of by the injured Party. Failure or delay in giving such notice shall not constitute a waiver of any default, nor shall it change the time of default. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this AGREEMENT, any failures or delays by either Party in asserting any of its rights and remedies as to any default shall not operate as a waiver of any default or of any such rights or remedies. Delays by either Party in asserting any of its rights and remedies shall not deprive either party of its right to institute and maintain any actions or proceedings which it may deem necessary to protect, assert or enforce any such rights or remedies.
- c. If an event of default occurs, prior to exercising any remedies hereunder, the injured Party shall give the Party in default notice of such default. If the default is reasonably capable of being cured within thirty (30) calendar days after such notice is received or deemed received, the Party in default shall have such period to effect a cure prior to exercise of remedies by the injured Party. If the default is such that it is not reasonably capable of being cured within thirty (30) days after such notice is received, and the Party in default (1) initiates corrective action within said period, and (2) diligently, continually, and in good faith works to

effect a cure as soon as possible, then the Party in default shall have such additional time as is reasonably necessary to cure the default prior to exercise of any remedies by the injured Party, but in no event no longer than ninety (90) days from the date of the notice of default.

8. Termination.

- a. CORPORATION shall not terminate this AGREEMENT except upon express written consent of the AUTHORITY. Said notice shall include the effective date thereof.
- b. Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph 8a, the AUTHORITY may suspend or terminate this AGREEMENT forthwith for cause upon a ten (10) day written notice to CORPORATION of the action being taken. Cause shall be established:
 - (i) In the event CORPORATION fails to perform the covenants herein contained at such times and in such manner as provided in this AGREEMENT, after notice and opportunity to cure; or
 - (ii) In the event there is a conflict with any federal, state or local law, ordinance, regulation or rule rendering any of the provisions of this AGREEMENT invalid or untenable.
- c. Upon termination of this AGREEMENT, the CORPORATION agrees to return any unexpended LMIHAF funds which have been paid to the COPRORATION by the AUTHORITY. In accepting said returned funds, the AUTHORITY does not waive any claim or cause of action it may have against the CORPORATION for breach of this AGREEMENT.
- d. Upon termination of this AGREEMENT, the CORPORATION shall not incur any obligations after the effective date of such termination, unless expressly authorized in writing by the AUTHORITY in the notice of termination.
- 9. <u>Reprogramming of Funds</u>. If the AUTHORITY determines that substantial progress toward completion of the PROGRAM is not made during the term of this AGREEMENT, the LMIHAF funds associated with the PROGRAM may be reprogrammed by the

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- AUTHORITY after a thirty (30) day written notice is provide to the CORPORATION.
- 10. Exercise of Option. The exercise of the Option described in Paragraph 4 above, extension of the Term, and the distribution and use of the Second LMIHAF Grant shall be subject to the terms set forth in this Paragraph 10.
 - a. Conditions to Exercise of Option. The AUTHORITY's exercise of the Option is subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - i. CORPORATION provides a request to the AUTHORITY to exercise the Option in the manner prescribed in Subparagraph c. of this Paragraph 10 below;
 - ii. AUTHORITY determines that there are sufficient funds in its LMIHAF to distribute all or a portion of the Second LMIHAF Grant;
 - iii. AUTHORITY, in the sole discretion of the AUTHORITY Executive Director, or designee, approves the exercise of the Option; and
 - iv. CORPORATION's use of the Second LMIHAF Grant is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this AGREEMENT.
 - b. Extension of Term. Should the AUTHORITY approve the exercise of the Option, the term of the AGREEMENT will be extended through June 30, 2017 unless sooner terminated as provided in Paragraph 8 herein. Upon the exercise of the Option, the Parties shall execute an amendment to this AGREEMENT approved in form and substance by the AUTHORITY Executive Director, or designee, and County Counsel. The amendment shall set forth the AUTHORITY approved Option terms.
 - c. Request to Exercise Option. In the event CORPORATION desires to request the exercise of the Option, CORPORATION's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or Chief Operating Officer (COO) shall provide to AUTHORITY a written request for the AUTHORITY to exercise such Option. CORPORATION will provide such request to AUTHORITY in writing in the manner prescribed by Paragraph 18 below at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the initial Term.

- d. Method of Exercise. After receipt of the CORPORATION'S request to exercise the Option, the Option is exercisable by AUTHORITY by delivering to the CORPORATION, a written notice of decision to exercise option (including description of approved grant amount and extended term), executed by the AUTHORITY Executive Director, or designee, to the address and in the manner provided in Paragraph 18 below.
- e. <u>Distribution of Second LMIHAF Grant</u>. Upon exercising the Option, the AUTHORITY shall pay to the CORPORATION the Second LMIHAF Grant, or any portion thereof, pursuant to the following schedule:
 - i. The first distribution will be provided no earlier than July 1, 2016 in an amount equal to the greater of twenty-five percent (25%) of the total Second LMIHAF Grant amount or sixty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$62,500) ("Initial Option Draw");
 - ii. Distributions subsequent to the first distribution will be made in up to three increments not to exceed Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$62,500) per increment, subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions precedent as determined by the AUTHORITY in its discretion:
 - 1. The CORPORATION shall provide to the AUTHORITY written evidence that funds from the immediately preceding draw have been substantially expended in conformance with the PROGRAM and Services set forth in Paragraph 1 of this AGREEMENT;
 - The CORPORATION shall provide to the AUTHORITY the names and corresponding percent of the area median income (AMI) of the beneficiaries of the Second LMIHAF Grant from the immediately preceding draw; and
 - 3. Total distributions of funds derived from the LMIHAF to the CORPORATION during the period commencing July 1, 2016 and

ending June 30, 2017 shall not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000).

- f. <u>Allocation of Costs</u>. Second LMIHAF Grant funds shall be allocated as follows for costs incurred by the CORPORATION as a result of PROGRAM implementation and provision of the Services set forth in Paragraph 1 herein:
 - i. An amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the Second LMIHAF Grant approved by the AUTHORITY for fiscal year 2016-17 may be allocated to administrative expenses;
 - ii. An amount not to exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the Second LMIHAF Grant approved by the AUTHORITY for fiscal year 2016-17 may be allocated to direct staffing costs; and
 - iii. An amount not less than sixty-five percent (65%) of the Second LMIHAF Grant approved by the AUTHORITY fiscal year 2016-17 must be allocated to direct assistance to PROGRAM recipients.
- 11. <u>Amendments</u>. AUTHORITY or CORPORATION may consider it in its best interest to amend, change, modify or extend a term or condition of this AGREEMENT. Any such amendment, change, extension or modification, which is mutually agreed upon by AUTHORITY and CORPORATION, shall be incorporated in written amendments to this AGREEMENT. No amendment to this AGREEMENT shall be effective and binding upon the Parties, unless it expressly makes reference to this AGREEMENT, is in writing and is signed and acknowledged by duly authorized representatives of both parties. Amendments to this AGREEMENT due to the exercise of the Option shall be subject to Paragraph 4 and 10 above.
- 12. <u>Hold Harmless and Indemnification</u>. The CORPORATION shall indemnify and hold harmless the AUTHORITY and its directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives (individually and collectively hereinafter referred to as Indemnitees) from (1) any liability whatsoever, based or asserted upon an indemnifying the CORPORATION's acts errors, or omissions, except

where such indemnifications is prohibited by law, and (2) any acts of such indemnifying the CORPORATION, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives arising out of or in any way relating to this AGREEMENT, including but not limited to property damage, bodily injury, or death or any other element of any kind or nature whatsoever arising from the performance of indemnifying the CORPORATION, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives. The CORPORATION shall defend, at its sole expense, all costs and fees including, but not limited, to attorney fees, cost of investigation, defense and settlements or awards, the Indemnitees in any claim or action based upon such alleged acts or omissions. Each party shall promptly notify the other party in writing of the occurrence of any such claims, actions, losses, damages and/or liability.

With respect to any action or claim subject to indemnification herein by the CORPORATION, the CORPORATION shall, at its sole cost, have the right to use counsel of its own choice and shall have the right to adjust, settle, or compromise any such action or claim without the prior consent of the AUTHORITY; provided, however, that any such adjustment, settlement or compromise in no manner whatsoever limits or circumscribes the CORPORATION's indemnification to the Indemnitees as set forth herein. The CORPORATION's obligation hereunder shall be satisfied when the CORPORATION has provided to the AUTHORITY the appropriate form of dismissal relieving the AUTHORITY from any liability for the action or claim involved.

13. Force Majeure Delay; Extension of Performance.

a. Performance by either party hereunder shall not be deemed to be in default where delays or defaults are due to war, insurrection, strikes, lock-outs, riots, floods, earthquakes, fires, casualties, acts of God, acts of the public enemy, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, freight embargoes, lack of transportation, governmental restrictions or priority, litigation, unusually severe weather, inability to secure necessary labor, material or tools, delays of any contractor, sub-contractor or supplier, acts of the other party, acts or failure to act of the AUTHORITY or any

other public or governmental agency or entity (except that acts or failure to act of AUTHORITY shall not excuse performance of AUTHORITY), or any causes beyond the control or without the fault of the party claiming an extension of time to perform.

- b. An extension of time for any such cause (a "Force Majeure Delay") shall be for the period of the enforced delay and shall commence to run from the time of the commencement of the cause, if notice by the party claiming such extension is sent to the other party within thirty (30) days of knowledge of the commencement of the cause.
- 14. <u>State Requirements.</u> The CORPORATION shall comply with the provisions the Community Redevelopment Law (California Health and Safety Code §33000 et seq.) as they relate to the acceptance and use of funds derived from the AUTHORITY'S LMIHAF under this AGREEMENT.
- 15. Compliance with Laws, Regulations, Nondiscrimination, and Equal Opportunity. The CORPORATION shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances pertinent to its operations and services to be performed hereunder, and shall keep in effect any and all licenses, permits, notices and certificates as are required thereby. CORPORATION shall further comply with all laws applicable to wages and hours of employment, occupational safety and to fire safety, health and sanitation.

The CORPORATION shall establish and maintain a procedure through which homeless individuals will be informed that use of PROGRAM services is available to all on a nondiscriminatory basis.

During the term of this AGREEMENT, the CORPORATION and its subcontractors, if any, shall not deny the benefits rendered hereunder to any person on the basis of religion, color, ethnic group identification, sex, age, or physical or mental disability.

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16. Prohibition against Conflicts of Interest.

CORPORATION

- a. CORPORATION shall promptly disclose to AUTHORITY any potential conflict of interest, including even the appearance of conflict that may arise with respect to the activities under this AGREEMENT.
- b. AUTHORITY shall promptly disclose to CORPORATION any potential conflict of interest, including even the appearance of conflict that may arise with respect to the activities under this AGREEMENT.
- 17. Nonliability of Authority Officials and Employees. No member, official, agent, legal counsel or employee of AUTHORITY shall be personally liable to CORPORATION, or any successor in interest in the event of any default or breach by AUTHORITY or for any amount which may become due to CORPORATION or successor or on any obligation under the terms of this AGREEMENT.
- 18. <u>Notices.</u> All notices, requests, demands and other communication required or desired to be served by either party upon the other must be in writing and shall be properly given and effective when personally served or sent by United States Postal Service first class, certified mail, or express delivery service, with postage affixed. The effective date of any such mailed notice shall commence to run from the day after its deposit in the mail. Such notices shall be addressed to the respective parties as follows:

Chief Executive Officer Executive Director of the Riverside Community Housing Authority of the Housing Corp. County of Riverside

lousing Corp. County of Riverside

5555 Arlington Avenue 3403 10th Street, Suite 300

Riverside, CA 92504 Riverside, CA 92501

19. <u>Binding on Successors</u>. The CORPORATION, its heirs, assigns and successors in interest shall be bound by all the provisions contained in this AGREEMENT, and all of the parties thereto shall be jointly and severally liable hereunder.

- 20. <u>Assignment</u>. The CORPORATION shall not make any assignment or transfer in any form with respect to this AGREEMENT, without prior written approval of the AUTHORITY.
- 21. Assurances and Warranties. The CORPORATION represents and warrants (1) that it has access to professional advice and support to the extent necessary to enable the CORPORATION to fully comply with the terms of the AGREEMENT and to otherwise carry out the PROGRAM, (2) that it is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of California, (3) that it has the full power and authority to undertake the PROGRAM and to execute this AGREEMENT, (4) that the persons executing and delivering this AGREEMENT are authorized to execute and deliver such documents on behalf of the CORPORATION and (5) that neither the CORPORATION nor any of its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in connection with the transaction contemplated by this AGREEMENT.
- 22. <u>Jurisdiction and Venue</u>. Any action at law or in equity arising under this AGREEMENT or brought by a party hereto for the purpose of enforcing, construing or determining the validity of any provision of this AGREEMENT shall be filed in the Superior Courts of Riverside County, State of California, and the parties hereto waive all provisions of law providing for the filing, removal or change of venue to any other court or jurisdiction.
- 23. <u>Severability</u>. Each paragraph and provision of this AGREEMENT is severable from each other provision, and if any provision or part thereof is declared invalid, the remaining provisions shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect.
- 24. Waiver. Failure by a party to insist upon the strict performance of any of the provisions of this AGREEMENT by the other party, or the failure by a party to exercise its rights upon the default of the other party, shall not constitute a waiver of such party's rights to insist and demand strict compliance by the other party with the terms of this AGREEMENT thereafter.

- 25. Entire AGREEMENT. It is expressly agreed that this AGREEMENT embodies the entire agreement of the parties in relation to the subject matter hereof, and that no other agreement or understanding, verbal or otherwise, relative to this subject matter, exists between the parties at the time of execution.
- 26. <u>Ministerial Acts</u>; <u>Approvals</u>. The AUTHORITY Executive Director, or designee, is authorized to take such ministerial actions as may be necessary or appropriate to implement the terms, provisions, and conditions of this AGREEMENT as it may be amended from time to time by AUTHORITY.

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this AGREEMENT, approvals required of the AUTHORITY shall be deemed granted by the written approval of the AUTHORITY'S Executive Director or designee. AUTHORITY agrees to provide notice to CORPORATION of the name of the Executive Director's designee on a timely basis, and to provide updates from time to time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive Director or designee may, in his or her sole discretion, refer to the governing body of the AUTHORITY any item requiring AUTHORITY approval; otherwise, "AUTHORITY approval" shall mean and refer to approval by the Executive Director or designee.

- 27. <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each party hereto will promptly execute and deliver without further consideration such additional agreement, assignments, endorsements and other documents as the other party hereto may reasonably request to carry out the purposes of this AGREEMENT.
- 28. Interpretation and Governing Law. This AGREEMENT and any dispute arising hereunder shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of California. This AGREEMENT shall be construed as a whole according to its fair language and common meaning to achieve the objectives and purposes of the parties hereto, and the rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not be employed in interpreting this AGREEMENT, all parties having been represented by counsel in the negotiation and preparation hereof.

- 29. <u>Authority to Execute.</u> The persons executing this AGREEMENT on behalf of the parties to this AGREEMENT hereby warrant and represent that they have the authority to execute this AGREEMENT and warrant and represent that they have the authority to bind the respective parties to this AGREEMENT to the performance of its obligations hereunder.
- 30. <u>Effective Date.</u> The effective date of this AGREEMENT is the date the Parties execute the AGREEMENT. If the Parties execute the AGREEMENT on more than one date, then the date first above written shall be the effective date.
- 31. Counterparts. This AGREEMENT, including any attachments or exhibits hereto, constitutes the entire AGREEMENT of the parties with respect to its subject matter and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous representations, proposals, discussions and communications, whether oral or in writing. No oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein shall be binding on any of the parties hereto. Each of the attachments and exhibits attached hereto, if any, is incorporated herein by this reference.
- 32. <u>Modification of Agreement.</u> This AGREEMENT can be modified or modified or amended only by a writing signed by the duly authorized and empowered representatives of the AUTHORITY and the CORPORATION, respectively.

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