

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE 2022 COLONIA FUND PLANNING AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT AS THE COUNTY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Hidalgo County desires to develop a viable community, including decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low-to-moderate income; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the best interests of Hidalgo County to apply for funding under the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS:

1. That a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program application for the 2022 Colonia Fund Planning and Needs Assessment is hereby authorized to be filed on behalf of the County with the Texas Department of Agriculture.
2. That the application be for \$500,000.00 of grant funds to conduct a needs assessment of the estimated 924 colonia communities in Hidalgo County. Once completed, this needs assessment will form the basis of the TDA Colonia Fund, with all projects funded through the colonia set-aside expected to be supported by the 2022 planning document or subsequent updates.
3. That the Commissioners Court directs and designates the following to act in all matters in connection with this application and the County's participation in the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program:
 - The County Judge shall serve as the County's Chief Executive Officer and Authorized Representative to execute this application and any subsequent contractual documents;
 - The Hidalgo County Urban County Program Director is authorized to execute environmental review documents between the Texas Department of Agriculture and the City/County; and
 - If this application is funded, the Chief of Staff for the County Judge, Urban County Program Director and Urban County Program Assistant Director are authorized to execute the Request for Payment Form documents and/or other forms required for requesting funds to reimburse project costs.
4. That all funds will be used in accordance with all applicable federal, state, local and programmatic requirements including but not limited to procurement, environmental review, labor standards, real property acquisition, and civil rights requirements.
5. That it further be stated that Hidalgo County is committing \$0.00 from its (General Fund) as a cash contribution toward the administration activities of this needs assessment project.

Passed and approved this ____ day of _____, 2022.

Richard F. Cortez, County Judge
Hidalgo County, Texas

Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk
Hidalgo County, Texas