RESOLUTION NO. SERIES 2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
FINDING THAT THE ACTION TAKEN AND ACTIVITIES APPROVED HEREIN ARE NOT
PROJECTS SUBJECT TO CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PROCEDURES,
AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO: (1) APPLY FOR THE
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S
CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION GRANT; (2) SIGN LETTERS OF INTENT TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY-SCALE REUSABLE FOODWARE SYSTEM DESIGN
AND IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT AND THE PUBLIC FACILITIES RESILIENCY
IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT; AND (3) NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE REQUIRED
MEMORANDUMS OF AGREEMENT WITH PARTNERING AGENCIES BY JULY 1, 2024

WHEREAS, the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program provides \$5 billion in grants to states, local governments, tribes, and territories to develop and implement ambitious plans for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful air pollution; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 60114 of the Inflation Reduction Act, this two-phase program provides \$250 million for noncompetitive planning grants and approximately \$4.6 billion for competitive implementation grants; and

WHEREAS, awards are expected to range from \$2 million to \$500 million across five funding tiers; and

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Clara submitted a Priority Climate Action Plan to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on behalf of communities in Santa Clara and San Benito Counties, enabling eligible member agencies, including Mountain View, to apply for competitive implementation grants; and

WHEREAS, priority for the competitive implementation grant funds seeks to achieve substantial community benefits such as the reduction of air pollutants in low-income and disadvantaged communities that have high levels of fine-particle pollution, are in proximity to Superfund sites, and have linguistic isolation; and

WHEREAS, Mountain View has census tracts that are considered low income and disadvantaged as defined by the EPA; and

WHEREAS, if awarded grant funds, Mountain View will partner with the City of Sunnyvale to implement the Community-Scale Reusable Foodware System Design and Implementation Project; and

WHEREAS, if awarded grant funds, Mountain View will partner with Cupertino, Morgan Hill, San José, and Sunnyvale to electrify and fortify critical facilities that serve a community's most urgent needs during emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Mountain View is proposing to upgrade the Mountain View Sports Pavilion and Whisman Sports Center in partnership with the Mountain View Whisman School District to increase resiliency during extreme heat and dangerous air quality events because of climate change for low-income and disadvantaged community members by installing a clean energy microgrid and a cooling system; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive grant funds, applicants are required to sign letters of intent to enter in Memorandum of Agreements with participating agencies by April 1, 2024 and to negotiate and enter into Memorandum of Agreements with participating agencies by July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager or their designee to sign the required letters of intent by April 1, 2024 and negotiate and execute the required Memorandum of Agreements with participating agencies by July 1, 2024 to ensure the City is eligible to receive grant funds; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: that pursuant to Section 15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the action taken and activities approved herein are not projects subject to CEQA procedures; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Council of the City of Mountain View authorizes the City Manager or their designee to apply for the U.S. EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Council of the City of Mountain View authorizes the City Manager or their designee to sign letters of intent to participate in the Community-Scale Reusable Foodware System Design and Implementation Project and Public Facility Resiliency Implementation Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Manager or their designee is authorized to negotiate and execute on behalf of the City the required Memorandum of Agreements with participating agencies by July 1, 2024 for the purpose of securing grant funds from the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that this Resolution shall become effective on the date of adoption by the City Council.

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