

Resolution of the City of Jersey City, N.J.

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RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JERSEY CITY AWARDING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CARES ACT (CDBG-CV) FUNDING, AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH PALISADES EMERGENCY RESIDENCE CORPORATION (PERC) FOR THE SHELTER OVERFLOW PROGRAM, PROGRAM YEAR NOVEMBER 1ST, 2022 – OCTOBER 31, 2023

COUNCIL offered and moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on or about March 27, 2020, the President of the United States signed into law the *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act*, Public Law 116-136, (hereinafter referred to as the "**CARES Act**") to facilitate the provision of federal assistance and relief in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City's Municipal Council adopted Resolution No. 20-576 (Aug. 12, 2020) (CV-1) and Resolution No. 20-717 (Oct. 7, 2020) (CV-3), authorizing the City to receive CARES Act funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the City received Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) funding in two (2) allotments, (CV1) and (CV2), from HUD. CDBG-CV1 was in the amount of \$3,438,019 and CDBG-CV3 was in the amount of \$3,136,493; and

WHEREAS, CDBG-CV funding is to be used to meet needs of low- and moderate-income persons impacted by COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused individuals and families of low-to-moderate income (LMI) throughout the City of Jersey City ("City") to experience homelessness and housing insecurity, and

WHEREAS, PERC, a Hudson County 501(c)3 nonprofit, offers emergency shelter to individuals and families, for over thirty (30) years, at its Union City location, submitted an application requesting \$75,000.00 for its Emergency Shelter Overflow Program; and

WHEREAS, PERC's Overflow Shelter Program is an innovative program that serves three purposes: 1. It is part of the Hudson County Code Blue Weather Emergency System, to provide shelter during extreme cold temperatures; 2. It provides additional shelter when Perc's dormitory is full all year round; and 3. It allows guests who may be under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs to be sheltered inside; and

WHEREAS, funding will be utilized to provide and support Emergency Shelter for Jersey City's homeless. This includes full and part-time staffing, supplies, for meals, showers, client relief resources (hygiene supplies, clothing, etc.), site utilities and minor maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jersey City's Division of Community Development (DCD) has performed its due diligence in verifying that PERC has the requisite experience to receive CDBG-CV funding for the Shelter Overflow Program; and

WHEREAS, DCD recommends Council award CDBG-CV1 funds in the amount, not to exceed, \$75,000.00, for the Shelter Overflow Program; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to acceptance of this award, PERC shall enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the City's Division of Community Development (DCD), and a copy of this Agreement will be retained in the Office of the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, PERC shall administer the Shelter Overflow Program in accordance with the Subrecipient Agreement, federal, state, and local laws; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is exempt from public bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2).

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the City of Jersey City, that:

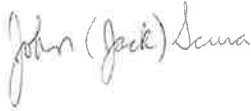
1. *The City Council awards CDBG-CV 1 funds in the amount of \$75,000.00 to PERC to administer the Shelter Overflow Program;*
2. *The Mayor or Business Administrator is hereby authorized to execute Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) Subrecipient Agreements with the Subrecipient identified on the list below, in accordance with HUD's CDBG Entitlement regulations, and to execute amendments and modifications to those Agreements as deemed necessary by the City of Jersey City's Division of Community Development during the program year; and*
3. *Subject to the review and approval by the City of Jersey City's Corporation Counsel, the Mayor or Business Administrator is hereby authorized to execute mortgages, notes, affordable housing development agreements, and other such documents deemed necessary to secure loans and grants made under the City's HUD entitlement grants. The terms and conditions of the aforementioned documents may be negotiated by the City of Jersey City's Division of Community Development and shall be in accordance with all laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the program.*

<u>AGENCY NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>P.O. #</u>
Palisades Emergency Residence Corp. (PERC)	\$75,000.00	59-200-56-001-600	146456


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I hereby certify that there are sufficient funds for the payment of this resolution in the amount of \$\$75,000, in account number 59-200-56-001-600; PO# 146456.

John (Jack) Scura, Acting Chief Financial Officer




APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM


Business Administrator
Corporation Counsel

Certification Required

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE – Nov 09														8-0	
	AYE	NAY	N.V.	Absent		AYE	NAY	N.V.	Absent		AYE	NAY	N.V.	Absent	N.V. – (Abstain)
RIDLEY	✓				SALEH	✓				DEGISE	✓				
PRINZ-AREY	✓				SOLOMON	✓				RIVERA				✓	
BOGGIANO	✓				GILMORE	✓				WATTERMAN, PRES	✓				

Adopted at a meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Jersey.


President of Council
City Clerk

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RESOLUTION FACT SHEET -

This summary sheet is to be attached to the front of any resolution that is submitted for Council consideration. Incomplete or vague fact sheets will be returned with the resolution.

Project Manager

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Department	Department of Housing, Economic Development, and Commerce		
Division	Division of Community Development		

Note: Project Manager must be available by phone during agenda meeting (Wednesday prior to council meeting @ 1:00 p.m.)

Meeting	Regular Meeting of Municipal Council - Nov 09 2022
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Purpose

The City of Jersey City’s Division of Community Development (DCD) intends to use Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) funds in the amount of \$75,000.00 for a Shelter Overflow Program to help people experiencing housing instability or homelessness in the City during and after the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. In the CARES Act, the term “coronavirus” means SARS-CoV-2 or another coronavirus with pandemic potential. The Subrecipient, Palisades Emergency Residence Corporation (PERC) is a Hudson County non-profit organization that has been offering emergency shelter to individuals and families for over thirty (30) years. The organization’s mission is “to defeat the cycle of poverty and to raise awareness that food and shelter are fundamental human rights.” PERC offers shelter to hundreds of people who are homeless. The City’s DCD has performed its due diligence in verifying that the Shelter Overflow Program satisfies CDBG-CV Program requirements, and in determining that the Subrecipient, PERC, has the requisite experience and expertise to administer this Program in the best interests of the City. The DCD is respectfully requesting approval of the City’s Municipal Council to execute a Subrecipient Agreement with PERC needed to allocate the funds requested and administer the Shelter Overflow Program.

Contract term (include all)

November 1, 2022 - October 31, 2023 (1-Yr)
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Type of award:

HUD (Federal) CV-Cares Funding

ATTACHMENTS:

Memo-PERC Fact Sheet-PERC EEO-PERC (2) PO 146456 - PERC - CDBG

Approved by
 Deja Anderson, Director, Division of Community Development
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 Floyd Jeter, Diversity and Inclusion
 Patrice Lambert, Assistant Purchasing Agent
 John Scura, Acting Chief Financial Officer
 John Metro, Business Administrator

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Memorandum

To: Council President Watterman & Members of the Municipal Council

From: Tichael Hill, Program Director – Division of Community Development

CC: Deja Anderson, Director, HEDC/DCD
Alena Eydlish, Esq., HEDC/DCD

Date: October 14, 2022

Subject: Resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Jersey City Approving the Execution of a Subrecipient Agreement with Palisades Emergency Residence Corporation (PERC) for Administering the City’s Shelter Overflow Program with Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) Funding Under the Program Year November 1, 2022 – October 31, 2023

The Division of Community Development is requesting council approval of \$75,000.00 in funding for the PERC Program for program year November 1st to 2022 to October 31,2023.

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States signed an emergency declaration concerning the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic to free up federal funds and other resources to help when “federal assistance is needed to supplement state and local efforts and capabilities to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety;”.

On March 27, 2020, the President of the United States also signed into law the *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act*, Public Law 116-136, (hereinafter referred to as the “CARES Act”) to facilitate the provision of federal assistance and relief in response to COVID-19.

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awarded the City of Jersey City \$5,259,609.00 in Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) funding, which is to be used to meet needs of low- and moderate-income persons impacted by COVID-19. Eligible CDBG-CV activities include, but are not limited to, housing assistance, job security, as well as public service programs.

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused Jersey City individuals and families of low-to-moderate income (LMI) to experience housing instability and homelessness. In order to help, the City of Jersey City’s Division of Community Development (DCD) intends to use CDBG-CV funds in the amount of \$75,000.00 for a Shelter Overflow Program to help people experiencing housing instability or homelessness in the City during and after the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Palisades Emergency Residence Corporation (PERC) will be administering the Shelter Overflow Program. PERC is a Hudson County non-profit organization that has been offering emergency shelter to individuals and families for over thirty (30) years. The organization’s mission is “to

defeat the cycle of poverty and to raise awareness that food and shelter are fundamental human rights.” PERC offers shelter to hundreds of people who are homeless.

The City’s DCD has performed its due diligence in verifying that the Shelter Overflow Program satisfies CDBG-CV Program requirements, and in determining that PERC has the requisite experience and expertise to administer this Program in the best interests of the City.

The DCD is respectfully seeking approval of the City’s Municipal Council to execute a Subrecipient Agreement with PERC needed to allocate these CDBG-CV1 funds to administer the Shelter Overflow Program.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the contents of this Memorandum, please contact me at (201) 547-4861.

Sincerely,

Tichael Hill
Program Director

CC: Annisia Cialone, Director, HEDC
Deja Anderson, Division Director
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