RESOLUTION NO. -2022

RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL APPROVING AND RATIFYING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S COMMUNITY FACILITY GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO UTILITY VEHICLES AND ONE DUMP TRUCK

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) administers a grant program that provides funding to develop essential community facilities that provide an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Bragg City Council approved City of Fort Bragg Budget for FY 2022/23 on June 27, 2022 which included the replacement of a Police Department and two Public Works Fleet Vehicles as a top priority in FY 2022/23; and

WHEREAS, in order to secure this USDA funding, the City of Fort Bragg seeks to enter into an agreement on a first come first served applicant basis; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires that the Grantee match their determined percentage of the project cost, of which the full purchase amount has been identified in the Vehicle Replacement and Maintenance and Purchases budget for FY 2022/23; and

WHEREAS, the City received notice that USDA funds were still available for the current fiscal year requiring expedited application submittal by September 19, 2022; and

WHEREAS, this estimated cost for the three fleet purchases is \$214,800 and may be eligible for reimbursement of up to 55% under the USDA Community Facility Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, based on all the evidence presented, the City Council finds as follows:

- 1. This funding will provide reliable response equipment for members of the Police and Public Works Department.
- This funding will satisfy a priority identified in the City of Fort Bragg's Budget for FY 2022/23 to replace one Police and two Public Works Vehicles within the fleet and equipment divisions reserve.
- 3. Expedited submittal by staff was prudent to ensure timely application on behalf of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby approve, ratify and confirm the City's submittal of United States Department of Agriculture's Community Facility Grant Program application to assist with the cost of the purchase of one Police fleet vehicle and two Public Works fleet vehicles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the USDA agreement and any amendments thereto in connection with the Community Facility Grant Program.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember, seconded by Councilmember, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 24 th of October 2022, by the following vote:	
AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN: RECUSED:	
ATTEST:	BERNIE NORVELL Mayor
June Lemos, MMC City Clerk	