

Attachment 1

RESOLUTION 23-XXX

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES
APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO AND THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
FOR JOINT PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG), THE
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME), AND THE EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)
PROGRAM FOR PROGRAM YEARS 2024-2026

WHEREAS, the County of San Luis Obispo ("County"), a political subdivision of the State of California, and the City of El Paso de Robles ("City"), a municipal corporation, desire to participate in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs; and

WHEREAS, said programs will promote the public health, safety and welfare by providing grant funds to be used by the City and County to improve housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income households, to encourage economic reinvestment, to improve community facilities and public services, and to provide other housing-related facilities or services; and

WHEREAS, to qualify for CDBG funds as an Urban County under the HUD guidelines, the County must have a population of at least 200,000 people; and

WHEREAS, the County has invited City to participate jointly with the County in said program; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate jointly with the County in said program and responded via e-mail correspondence dated May 25, 2023 indicating the City's intent to continue participating in the program with the County; and

WHEREAS, HUD requires that the parties enter into a Cooperation Agreement to define their rights and obligations as a prerequisite of participation in the CDBG program; and

WHEREAS, continued participation in the CDBG Program for the proposed 2024-2026 term is consistent with the General Plan and with City and County policies encouraging cooperation between agencies on issues of regional significance such as affordable housing and public improvements; and

WHEREAS, participation will promote the public health, safety and welfare by enabling the City and County to participate in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development CDBG program under an "urban county" entitlement; thus making available funds for a variety of housing, economic development, and public service programs not otherwise available; and

WHEREAS, the City and County enter into yearly subrecipient agreements which establish administrative policies and procedures, performance standards, and guidelines for funding specific CDBG programs and projects; and

WHEREAS, participation in the Urban County and cooperation agreement is not a "project" for purposes of compliance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the City's CEQA Guidelines.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of El Paso De Robles as follows:

1. The City Council hereby approves and authorizes the City Manager enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the County to enable joint participation in HUD's CDBG Program for the 2024-2026 term in the form attached hereto as Attachment 1.
2. The City Manager or his/her designee is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the City in connection with the implementation of the agreement, ongoing operation of the CDBG program for the 2024-2026 term, and other activities necessary to carry out the intent of the Cooperation Agreement.

Approved by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles this 20th day of June 2023 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Steven W. Martin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Boyer, City Clerk

Exhibit A: Cooperation Agreement