

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-0061

A resolution strongly encouraging the City administration to apply to the Washington Department of Commerce for a Rapid Capital Housing Acquisition grant to assist in increasing the amount of badly needed housing in Spokane for people at risk of homelessness or experiencing homelessness.

WHEREAS, Spokane is in a crisis of available housing, particularly for those earning lower incomes; and

WHEREAS, the rapid, large increases in rents and rapidly escalating home prices in Spokane mean that people of lower incomes, particularly people who are already vulnerable to the risk of homelessness for a variety of reasons, face extreme and increasing barriers to obtaining, and maintaining, housing they can afford, if they can find a vacancy at all; and

WHEREAS, to help address this crisis statewide, the Washington Department of Commerce recently issued a Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) for a Rapid Capital Housing Acquisition (RCHA) grant through the Washington State Housing Trust Fund, which began the application period which opened on July 9, 2021 and which will close on August 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the RCHA grant provides funding for the acquisition or rental of real property for rapid conversion into enhanced emergency shelters, permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, permanent housing, youth housing, drop-in centers, or shelters for extremely low-income people, as well as individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, and young people experiencing sheltered or unsheltered homelessness; and


WHEREAS, the RCHA grant presents an important opportunity for the City of Spokane to build partnerships with housing providers who are ready to increase the amount of available housing in Spokane for lower-income and vulnerable people, by acting as lead applicant or co-applicant, or by providing matching funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council strongly encourages the City administration to immediately apply for funding from the Department of Commerce for a Rapid Capital Housing Acquisition grant, either as lead applicant, co-applicant, or provider of local matching funds, to help our community quickly respond to the crisis of available housing for people of low incomes and who are either at risk of homelessness or who are currently experiencing homelessness.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City Council pledges its support for local Rapid Capital Housing Acquisition application(s), and pledges to rapidly approve any necessary budgetary allocations.

PASSED by the City Council this 12 day of July, 2021.

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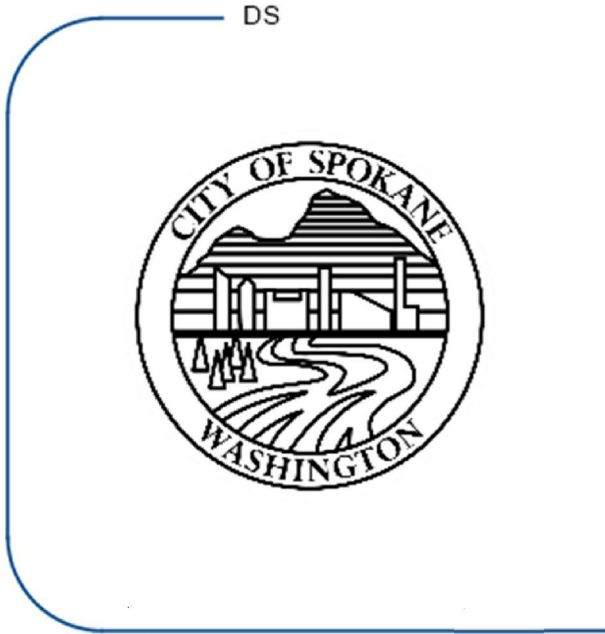
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