

RESOLUTION NO. 21-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM ACT, SUBSECTIONS 420.907-420.9079, FLORIDA STATUTES AND CHAPTER 67-37, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AND THE CLERK TO ATTEST THE PLAN FOR SUBMISSION TO AND APPROVAL BY THE FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN, ADMINISTRATOR, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEES TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT REPORTS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER NECESSARY DOCUMENTS NEEDED BY THE STATE FOR APPROVAL AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ACCEPT GRANT AWARDS AND ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS IN FURTHERANCE OF AND IN CONFIRMANCE WITH THE PLAN; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the State of Florida enacted the William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act, Chapter 92-317 Laws of Florida, allocating a portion of documentary stamp taxes on deeds to local governments for the development and maintenance of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Act, ss. 420.907-420.9079, Florida Statutes, and Rule Chapter 67-37, Florida Administrative Code, requires local governments to develop a one- to three-year Local Housing Assistance Plan outlining how funds will be used; and

WHEREAS, Section 420.9075, Florida Statutes allows the cost of administering the plan to exceed 5 percent of the local housing distribution moneys and program income deposited into the trust fund if the governing body of the local jurisdiction finds, by resolution, that 5 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5 percent of program income is insufficient to adequately pay the necessary costs of administering the Local Housing Assistance Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners hereby finds that 5 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5 percent of program income is insufficient to adequately pay the necessary costs of administering the Local Housing Assistance Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Department has prepared a three-year Local Housing Assistance Plan for submission to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation with the cost of administering the program not to exceed 10 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5 percent of the program income deposited in the trust fund as permitted by Section 420.9075, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that it is in the best interest of the public to submit the Local Housing Assistance Plan to qualify for and receive SHIP funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, in regular session duly assembled this
27th **day of** April, **2021, that:**

Section 1: The above recitals are true and accurate and are hereby fully incorporated herein.

Section 2: The Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida hereby approves the Local Housing Assistance Plan, as attached and incorporated herein, authorizes the Chair to execute the Plan for submission to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation as required by ss. 420.907-420-9079, Florida Statutes for fiscal years 2021/2022, 2022/2023, and 2023/2024.

Section 3: The Chairman, the County Administrator, or the Housing and Community Development Director, or their designees, are hereby designated and authorized to execute any documents and certifications required by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation related to the approval and implementation of the Local Housing Assistance Plan.

Section 4: Notwithstanding the limits set forth in Pinellas County Code Section 2-62, the County Administrator or designee is hereby authorized to accept all grant awards and enter into any and all contracts, security agreements, land use restriction agreements, and other such agreements in furtherance of and in conformance with the Plan.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 27th DAY OF April, 2021.



Dave Egus
Chairman

ATTEST: [Signature]
County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM
By: Chelsea Hardy
Office of the County Attorney