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Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: New Horizons Project for Fair Housing

SUMMARY

The approval of the attached memorandum of understanding with the HUD Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity will bring the City of Sacramento's Fair Housing Program into compliance with HUD's New Horizons Fair Housing Assistance Program.

The staff recommends that the attached resolution be approved authorizing the Mayor to enter into the New Horizons Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BACKGROUND

On March 19, 1981, the Council authorized the adoption of a New Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the County of Sacramento appointing the Human Rights Commission as the Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission for the City and County.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has developed the New Horizons framework to assure nationwide consistency in the development and implementation of local fair housing strategies. HUD requests the City to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding to bring Sacramento's Fair Housing Strategy into compliance with the New Horizons strategy.

The proposed New Horizons Memorandum of Understanding will be forwarded to HUD along with the City's Fair Housing Strategy Statement which is on file in the Council and City Clerk's offices.

APPROVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL

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OFFICE OF THE
CITY CLERK

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into the New Horizons Agreement with HUD.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas V. Lee
Senior Planner

Recommendation Approved:



Walter J. Slipp
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FORMATION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY DATED SEPTEMBER 1981 FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW HORIZONS FAIR HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

That the Mayor or Vice Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Sacramento a Memorandum of Understanding with the agency listed below:

HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity
Office of Voluntary Compliance.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

NEW HORIZONS
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
CITY OF SACRAMENTO
AND
HUD'S OFFICE OF FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
OFFICE OF VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE

WHEREAS, the City of Sacramento, hereinafter referred to as the community, is receiving or applying for Federal subsidies administered by HUD for the purpose of improving housing and services of the community, including community development, for its low and moderate income residents;

WHEREAS, the community is required in receiving Federal subsidies to meet certain conditions to provide fair housing for people of all races, colors, creeds, national origins and sexes;

WHEREAS, the community recognizes that it could take affirmative steps to improve the status of fair housing and fair lending above and beyond those actions required of it under the Federal Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, and Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974;

WHEREAS, the community has determined that the HUD-sponsored New Horizons Fair Housing Assistance Project and its activities can enable the community to go beyond the basic requirements in promoting fair housing and fair lending;

WHEREAS, BE IT RESOLVED that the community agrees to enter into a voluntary relationship with HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity to participate in the New Horizons Fair Housing Assistance Project. The community further agrees to develop and implement its Project in accordance with the New Horizons Guidebook.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the community agrees to establish a communitywide fair housing task force composed of influential citizens and others affected by fair housing programs. This task force will assess the housing patterns in the community and develop a fair housing strategy and action plan that foster and promote equal housing opportunity. The community further agrees that after HUD's approval of its strategy, it will designate an agency of its government to implement the action plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the community agrees that within six months after the signing of the agreement, it will have selected its task force members, assessed its housing patterns, and submitted for

approval, a communitywide fair housing strategy and action plan. The community further agrees that its task force will thereafter meet on at least a quarterly basis to monitor the implementation of the action plan and to provide quarterly reports to the local HUD Office, with a copy of the Office of Voluntary Compliance.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Office of Voluntary Compliance, HUD will provide the community continuing technical assistance in this project.

Date

Name and Signature of Mayor

Date

HUD Area Office Manager

Date

Regional Administrator, Region

Date

Assistant Secretary for Fair
Housing and Equal Opportunity