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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R. 315392

## DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAR 0 4 2024

## A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT.

WHEREAS, the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program, established by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, provides funding to assist local governments in creating and implementing strategies to reduce fossil fuel emissions, improve energy efficiency, and create green jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Energy (DOE) issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the EECBG Program under Sec. 40552(b) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) of 2021, emphasizing the significance of building electrification as a means to achieve substantial energy savings and greenhouse gas emission reductions; and

WHEREAS, the DOE has allocated funds specifically for local government initiatives that align with the goals of reducing energy use and fossil fuel emissions, as well as promoting energy independence and economic sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego (City), being committed to advancing its 2022 Climate Action Plan, is eligible and intent on applying for the EECBG Program grant to support building electrification and decarbonization efforts; and

WHEREAS, the DOE mandates adherence to specific program requirements, including but not limited to the implementation of energy efficiency and renewable energy projects that support the transition away from natural gas use in buildings, especially within low-to-moderate income and disadvantaged communities; and WHEREAS, the City is a local government eligible for formula-based EECBG Program funds up to \$1,185,290, aimed at enhancing climate justice and energy equity, fostering community engagement, and ensuring sustainable economic development; and

WHEREAS, the EECBG funds will be strategically utilized to supplement the City's building decarbonization policies and programs, with particular emphasis on Measures 1.1 and solar equity programs, to extend benefits beyond the EECBG Program funding period and support the City's long-term environmental and equity target; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney has drafted this resolution based on the information provided by City staff [including information provided by affected third parties and verified by City staff], with the understanding that this information is complete, true, and accurate; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

1. That the Mayor or his representative is authorized to make application to the US Department of Energy and to take all necessary actions to secure funding for an amount not to exceed \$1,185,290 in Energy Efficiency and Block Grant (EECBG) program.

2. That the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to accept, appropriate and expend an amount not to exceed \$1,185,290 if grant funding is secured.

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3. That the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to establish a special interest-

bearing account for the grant, if required.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

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Frederick M. Ortlieb Senior Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of FEB 27 2024

> **DIANA J.S. FUENTES** City Clerk

By Onnie Fatterson Deputy City Clerk

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: 3/4

(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The C	ity of San Dieរ្	30 on	FEB 27 2024	_, by the following vote:
Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	Z			
Jennifer Campbell	$\square$			
Stephen Whitburn	Z			
District 4 - vacant				
Marni von Wilpert	Z			
Kent Lee	$\mathbf{Z}$			· .
Raul A. Campillo	$\not $	,		
Vivian Moreno	Z		·	
Sean Elo-Rivera	Ø			

Date of final passage <u>MAR 0 4 2024</u>

(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

DIANA J.S. FUENTES City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

Connie Patterson, Deputy By  $\underline{\mathcal{X}}$ 

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