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2022 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Neighborhood Beautification Program Grant Agreement (6004492) and Neighborhood Improvement Funds (NIF) Neighborhood Beautification Program Subrecipient Grant Agreement (6004406)

* SUMMARY:

On March 2, 2022, the City of Detroit ("City"), acting through its Housing and Revitalization Department ("HRD"), issued that certain ARPA / NIF 2021–2022, Notice of Funding Availability ("ARPA/Neighborhood Improvement Fund (NIF) NOFA"). Through the ARPA / NIF NOFA, HRD sought proposals from eligible organizations to subgrant "American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") and Neighborhood Improvement Fund ("NIF") funds to Detroit-based neighborhood associations, block clubs, faith-based organizations, and non-profit organizations that currently own property or purchase Land Bank vacant lots (up to 4) to carry out a public activity in their communities or neighborhoods. The repurposing and beautification of said vacant lots (spaces) will serve as community connectors, designed with shade, greenery, seating, plenty of space to socially distance, areas that enrich and expand the live-work-play experience throughout the neighborhoods and the city.

Eligible organizations must demonstrate experience and capacity to assist in one or more of the following areas:

1. Applicant must provide proof of experience implementing and managing a mini-grant program(s) within the last two years as defined in this NOFA

2. Applicant must provide a minimum of three active program referrals

3. Applicants must demonstrate experience working with nonprofits, community-based organizations, and Detroit residents

Based on the proposals received, HRD has made one (1) Subrecipient Agreement award to the eligible organization that met the expectations and requirements of the ARPA/NIF NOFA

* RECOMMENDATION:

We hereby request that your Honorable Body adopt the attached resolution that authorizes and approves the award and execution of an American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") and Neighborhood Improvement Fund ("NIF") NOFA Subrecipient Agreement to the identified organization.

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