RESOLUTION NO. 2020-R-87

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO THE EMERGENCY TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE (“ETBRA”) PROGRAM GUIDELINES, AS NEEDED, TO ENSURE THE TIMELY DISBURSEMENT OF GRANT FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Miami (“City”) was awarded Four Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars ($452,692.00) in supplemental Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG-CV”) funds under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (“CARES”) Act signed by the President of the United States on March 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, to properly respond to the Novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) pandemic, the North Miami City Council allocated a portion of the supplemental CDBG-CV funds to be used towards Emergency Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (“ETBRA”) program; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2020, the Mayor and City Council passed and approved Resolution No. 2020-R-58 approving the allocation and adopting the ETBRA guidelines; and

WHEREAS, due to the unique challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, many of the policies put into place by the adopted guidelines have served as a barrier to the timely distribution of grant funds; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the City Manager be designated with the authority to make changes to the EBTRA guidelines to address any policy issues which may impact the distribution of grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to authorize the City Manager and to make amendments to the adopted EBTRA guidelines, as needed, to ensure the efficient operation of the EBTRA grant program.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:
Section 1. Authority of City Manager. The City Manager is authorized to adopt and implement any and all necessary changes to the Emergency Tenant-Based Rental Assistance ("ETBRA") program guidelines to ensure the timely distribution of grant funds.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 5-0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 25th day of August, 2020.

PHILIPPE BIEN-AIME
MAYOR

ATTEST:

VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFF P. H. CAZÉAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: Galvin
Seconded by: Keys

Vote:
Mayor Philippe Bien-Aime X (Yes) (No)
Vice Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D. X (Yes) (No)
Councilman Scott Galvin X (Yes) (No)
Councilwoman Carol Keys, Esq. X (Yes) (No)
Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin X (Yes) (No)