RESOLUTION NO. 95-2023

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE THE FY2024-FY2026 REVISED AMENDMENT AGREEMENT WITH MONMOUTH COUNTY FOR COOPERATIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THE INTERLOCAL SERVICES ACT

Councilmember Bieber introduced and offered for adoption the following Resolution; seconded by Councilmember Booker:

WHEREAS, certain Federal funds are potentially available to Monmouth County under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, commonly known as the Community Development Block Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a legal basis for the County and its residents to benefit from this program; and

WHEREAS, a Revised Amendment Cooperation Agreement has been adopted under which the Borough of Sea Bright and the County of Monmouth in cooperation with other municipalities will establish an Interlocal Services Program pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:8B-1; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Sea Bright to enter into such the revised amendment cooperation agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Revised Amendment Agreement between the County of Monmouth and Certain Municipalities located herein for the establishment of a Cooperative Means of Conducting certain Community Development Activities, a copy of which is attached, thereto, be and same is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be and same are hereby authorized to execute said agreement in accordance with the provisions of law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its enactment.

Roll Call: Bieber, Booker, Catalano, Gorman, Keeler, Lamia Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes

May 16, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I, Christine Pfeiffer, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey at a Council Meeting held on May 16, 2023.

Christine Pfeiffer, Borough Clerk

AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH AND THE SEA BRIGHT BOROUGH FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COOPERATIVE MEANS OF CONDUCTING CERTAIN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS, the County of Monmouth and the Sea Bright Borough are parties to an Agreement dated **05/16/2023** concerning, generally, the cooperation between participating municipalities and the County to receive CDBG entitlement funding; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development: Community Planning and Development ("HUD"), has issued additional requirements for what must be included in all cooperation agreements entered into between counties and participating municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement dated **06/10/2020** must be amended to legally conform to HUD's new requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Sea Bright Borough and the County of Monmouth have decided that it is in its residents' best interests to amend the Agreement to conform to HUD's cooperation agreement requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the County and Sea Bright Borough hereby agree as Responsibilities of Committee:

- 1. With concurrence of the Board of County Commissioners and Administrative Liaison Officer shall be designated. He shall be an employee of the County. He shall, within the limits of resources available, provide technical and administrative support to the Committee, and shall provide liaison between the Committee and the Board of County Commissioners.
- 2. The Committee shall recommend to the Board of County Commissioners an application (Consolidated Plan) for participation in Federal funding, and toward that end it shall in the matter herein prescribed, be authorized to develop required plans for the County, including a Housing Assistance Plans and such other documents and certification of compliance as required by the Federal Government for participation by the County in the community Development Block Grant Programs.

Estimated Cost and Allocation Thereof:

3. The amount of Federal funds involved shall be in the amount applied by the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to the recommendation by the Committee, subject to any modification made by HUD.

Duration of the Contract:

4. This contract shall be effective for the three (3) program years (Federal Fiscal

Years 2024, 2025, and 2026 appropriations) for which the County is to qualify to receive CDBG entitlement funding and from any program income generated from the expenditure of such funds, including such additional time as may be required for the expenditure of any such funds granted to the participating unit of local government. The population of participating municipalities included in the urban county under this agreement shall be included in the population of the urban county for three (3) successive years which will include the federal fiscal years 2024, 2025 and 2026.

This agreement will automatically be renewed for participation in successive three-year qualification periods, unless the county or the municipality provides written notice it elects not to participate in a new qualification period.

This Agreement remains in effect until the CDBG, HOME and ESG funds and income received with respect to activities carried out during the three year qualification period.

Standards of Performance:

- 5. The Committee shall thereupon report its findings to all participating local governments, and shall submit such reports to the Board of County Commissioners (the legislation requires the title of "chosen freeholder" to be change to "county commissioner" and all "boards of chosen freeholder" to be known as "board of county commissioners") which complies with legislation Gov. Phil Murphy signed into law in 2020 and become effective January 1 as may be required for submission to the Federal Government. Pursuant to 24 CFR 570.501(b), all units of local government are subject to the same requirements applicable to subrecipients, including the requirement of a written agreement described in 24 CFR 570.503.
- 6. This Agreement includes, by reference, all provisions authorized by State and local laws that legally obligate the cooperating units to undertake the necessary action, as determined by the County to carry out a community development program and the approved Consolidated Plan and/or meet the other requirements of the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs or other applicable laws.

Qualification as Urban County:

- 7. As amended to take all actions necessary to assure compliance with the urban county's certification under section 104(b) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, that the grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 1, and the Fair Housing Act, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, and will affirmatively further fair housing. See 24 CFR @ 91.225(a) and Affirmatively Further Fair Housing Definitions and Certifications (86 FR 30779, June 10, 2021), to be codified at 24 CFR 5.151 and 5.152. Also to comply with Section 109 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 6, which incorporates Section 504 of the Rehabilitation act of 1973 and the implementing regulations of 24 CFR part 8, Title II of the American with Disabilities Act, and the implementing regulations at 28 CFT part 35, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and the implementing regulation of at 24 CFR part 146, and Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 and obligation to comply with other applicable laws. Prohibit urban county funding for activities, in or in support of any cooperating unit of general local government that does not affirmatively further fair housing, within its own jurisdiction or that impedes the county's actions to comply with the county's fair housing certification. This provision is required because noncompliance by a unit of general local government included in a urban county may constitute noncompliance by the grantee (i.e., the urban county) that can, in turn provide cause for funding sanctions or other remedial actions by the Department. The agreement includes the obligation to sigN the assurances and certifications in the HUD 424-B.
- 8. To comply with Federal requirements, the County Government, through the Board of County Commissioners, shall be the applicant for community development funds, and shall have final responsibility as applicant and shall have final responsibility for selecting activities an annually filing Final Statements with HUD.

Program Income:

9. This amendment may be executed in substantially similarly worded counterparts, each of which shall be signed the Commissioner Director and the chief executive of a participating municipality. Each signatory agency agrees to cooperate with all signatories and be bound as if all had signed the same amendment.

ATTEST:

MONMOUTH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

TAMARA BROWN
Clerk to the Board of County
Commissioners

THOMAS A. ARNONE, DIRECTOR Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Sea Bright Borough

Name: Christine Pfeiffer Title: Municipal Clerk

Name: Brian P. Kelly

Title: Mayor