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## **RESOLUTION NO. 2203R.06**

## A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ELIZARIO TO RATIFY THE MAYOR'S ACTION TO SUBMIT RCDI 22 PROGRAM INTEREST FORM TO USDA

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2022, the City of San Elizario ("City") received an invitation from the Housing Assistance Council ("HAC") to be a participant in HAC's submittal to the United States Department of Agriculture USDA for the Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) 22 Program;

WHEREAS, the Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) program provides capacity building awards to intermediaries so that they may in turn assist local organizations, to increase its housing, community, and economic development capacity. If awarded funding, HAC will provide technical assistance, training, and peer exchange learning opportunities along with reimbursable travel scholarships to RCDI 22 participant organizations;

WHEREAS, HAC has been helping local organizations build affordable homes in rural America since 1971. HAC assists in the development of both single- and multi-family homes and promotes homeownership for working low-income rural families through a self-help, "sweat equity" construction method by emphasizing local solutions, empowerment of the poor, reduced dependence, and self-help strategies. HAC offers services to public, nonprofit, and private organizations throughout the rural United States and maintains a special focus on high-need groups and regions, such as: Indian country, the Mississippi Delta, farmworkers, the Southwest border Colonias, and Appalachia;

**WHEREAS**, to participate, the City was required to submit the following documents no later than Tuesday, March 22, 2022:

- Interest Form;
- RD Form 400-4, Assurance Agreement;
- City Charter or evidence that the City San Elizario is a public body;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Administrator and Council Member Cantu determined that it would be in the best interest of the City to participate in the RCDI if the opportunity was available and did not want to miss the March 22, 2022;

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WHEREAS, after consulting with the City's legal counsel it was decided that the Mayor could lawfully make the submission on behalf of the City and seek to have the action ratified at the next City Council meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of San Elizario, Texas, that:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby adopted as facts and are incorporated fully herein.
- 2. The City Council hereby ratifies the action taken by the Mayor to submit the required Interest Form and other documentation to HAC on March 22, 2022.
- 3. The City Council ratifies the USDA Form RD 400-4 "Assurance Agreement" signed and delivered by the Mayor on behalf of the City a copy of which is attached to this Resolution.
- 4. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage and adoption.

\_(abstentions) of the City Council of the City of San Elizario, Texas.

CITY OF SAN ELIZARIO

Antonio Araujo, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sylvia Borunda Firth, Asst. City Attorney

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