



CENTRAL COUNCIL
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Executive Council of the Central Council
TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC 21-56

Title: Authorization for Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority to Submit for the 2021 Indian Community Development Block Grant

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 32,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Article X of the Tlingit & Haida Constitution, the Executive Council is the governing body of Tlingit & Haida when the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida is the governing body for its tribal citizens across Southeast Alaska and beyond in accordance with its Constitution and has the authority to establish relationships and enter into agreements for the benefit and wellbeing of the tribal citizens of Juneau and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA) is the Tribally Designated Housing Entity for Tlingit & Haida; and

WHEREAS, the results of THRHA's 2019 Housing Assessment for the community of Juneau found that 85% reported more affordable housing as a high priority, with 46% stating single family homes with 2-3 bedrooms was the highest priority; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Housing Assessment also found that 27% of Tribal households reported their homes are overcrowded and 62% of Tribal households are renters, compared to the 35.9% average rate that rent nationally and statewide, demonstrating clear inequity of homes available to our Tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, the results of THRHA's 2019 Assessment found that there is a lack of affordable housing stock available in the Juneau community to relieve the overcrowding and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, new construction and costs of homes in the City of Juneau have shot up in price, with even undeveloped lots out of the range for affordable construction loans; and

WHEREAS, THRHA is working with Tlingit & Haida to make available affordable homes on the undeveloped property that the Tribe currently owns and which will provide this much needed opportunity for affordable homeownership; and

WHEREAS, the infrastructure development on this Tribal property is the logical next step to plan and prepare for housing development in the very near future and address this chronic housing shortage in Juneau and the inequities of homeownership;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes Tlingit Haida Regional Housing Authority (THRHA) the sole authority to apply for the 2021 Indian Community Development Block Grant for a total amount of \$800,000 on behalf of CCTHITA for the acquisition of land and infrastructure development for future housing to address the critical shortage of affordable, healthy and safe housing available in the Juneau area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Tlingit & Haida does not intend to submit an application on its own behalf for the current 2021 ICDBG funding opportunity; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that Tlingit & Haida designates THRHA to implement the project in accordance with U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development standards and regulations and a subrecipient agreement to be entered into between Tlingit & Haida and THRHA.

ADOPTED this 21st day of October 2021, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 1 absence.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Ralph Wolfe