

ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$196,000 FROM THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR REGIONAL SOLID WASTE PASS-THROUGH GRANTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 AND 2023 THROUGH THE ALAMO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TO FUND A NUMBER OF STRATEGIES SUPPORTING A LOCAL DECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM INCLUDING A REUSE INNOVATION CENTER.

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WHEREAS, Since 1996, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has provided statewide grants to area Councils of Government for distribution to municipal and local agencies; cities, counties, and public school districts; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the grants is to enable the City of San Antonio to expand its efforts to enhance environmental sustainability and waste reduction in accordance with AACOG's Regional Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, a local deconstruction program is anticipated to divert approximately 20,000 tons of construction and demolition waste annually from local landfills; and

WHEREAS, the program is also expected advance the goals and objectives of the City's strategic plans related to housing, environmental sustainability, economic development, and equity; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the funds would be used toward the creation of a Reuse Innovation Center; which could serve as a site for material receivership, inventory, and distribution, provide community education and workforce development space, and jumpstart a center for material innovation and technological advancement in the reuse of reclaimed materials; and

WHEREAS, models for similar centers exist and there is a growing trend of municipalities nationwide playing a major role in supporting material reuse and redistribution in order to reduce landfill waste and advance the circular economy; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager or designee to submit a grant application in an amount up to \$196,000 to the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) representing the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

SECTION 2. City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager or designee to accept grant funds, execute contracts between the City and AACOG for any of the grants awarded, and allow for supplemental grant applications, and their acceptance if awarded, should AACOG make additional funds available during their 2021-2022 grant cycle process.

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SIGNED ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL**

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage by eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it shall be effective on the tenth day after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of October, 2021.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, Acting City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney