

TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (ICDBG) – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO APPROVE application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation (the “Council”) recognizes that COVID-19 has placed the communities within the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the “Nation”) in need of assistance;

WHEREAS, the Nation is eligible to receive up to \$3,450,000.00 with no required match to pursue Indian Community Development Block Grants (ICDBG), ARPA funding that will prevent, prepare and respond to COVID-19 by rehabilitating “37” Rental Program affordable rental units which is an identified community need and directly responds to all eligible purposes of the funding announcement;

WHEREAS, the project will be carried out by the Tribally Designated Housing Entity of the Choctaw Nation and managed and maintained for the life of the project as well;

WHEREAS, the Nation agrees to follow all Environmental Requirements in accordance with 24 CFR 1003.605, 24 CFR 1003.401 and 24 CFR Part 58; and

WHEREAS, the Nation agrees to follow all Citizen Participation requirements in accordance with the 24 CFR part 1003.604 for the proposed project as described below:

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma hereby certifies that the citizen participation requirements identified in 24 CFR 1003.604(a) and Notice PIH 2021-22 have been met for the ICDBG-ARP project(s) that is/are being proposed.

- a) The proposed project will be disclosed in the month of October of 2021 to the public in the local newspaper of the project site, Durant Democrat and also on the website of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. Views and comments are welcomed under the attention of Sara Hansard Buechler from the general public regarding the proposed project(s) and will receive timely consideration.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval for application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).


BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that, in accordance with the 24 CFR part 1003.604, the proposed project will be disclosed in the month of October of 2021 to the public in the Durant Democrat and also on the website of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. Views and comments may be directed to Sara Hansard Buechler from the general public regarding the proposed project(s) and will receive timely consideration.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Council that this Bill be cited as an acknowledgement that the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, is authorized to prepare, execute, deliver and file any and all agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, in such form and with such terms and provisions as the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, may approve, and to take such other action as he, she or they may deem proper or appropriate, to carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing enactments.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that eleven (11) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on October 9, 2021. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB-18 -22 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of eleven (11) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.

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Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council


Ronald Perry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council


Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 10-15-21

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Purpose/Need of Council Bill: To approve the application for the ICDBG ARP Grant to rehabilitate “37” Rental Program Affordable Rental Units.

Title of Council Bill: TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (ICDBG) – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)

Agency: United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

CNO Dept: Housing Authority of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (HACNO)

Budget: \$3,450,000

Match Required: n/a

Request by Project Director/SEO: Shelbie Crow, Project Director; Rachelle Holder, Asst Sr Director of Housing; April Jefferson, Sr. Director of Homeowner Services; Bobby Yandell, Executive Director of Housing; Stacy Shepherd, Executive Officer of Member Services; Teresa Jackson, SEO