RESOLUTION NO. 10-24

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR THE LOCAL PLANNING CAPACITY GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS

Recitals:

City Council has considered and for the reasons stated, authorizes an application for a grant to provide financial assistance to the Community Development Department for a third part evaluation of the development review process.

The Local Planning Capacity Grant Program is designed to support local governments' in enhancing their capacity to address affordable housing concerns, particularly by streamlining the review, permitting, zoning, and development processes for affordable housing initiatives. Applications to the program cannot be submitted unless approved by the City Council.

The Colorado Department of Local Affairs has approximately \$3,000,000 in funding available and has a suggested maximum award amount of \$200,000 with a 20% required local match. The City will be requesting \$40,000 to conduct a comprehensive, third-party analysis of its existing development review processes and procedures. The result will be a set of recommended process improvements, efficiency measures, and staffing considerations that could be systematically implemented across review procedures to establish consistent, reliable review timeframes aligned with Proposition 123 fast-tracking requirements.

This effort aligns with Proposition 123 goals and the City's Resolution 97-22, which commits to expediting the development review process for projects containing at least 10% affordable units at 80% AMI (for sale) or 60% AMI (rental).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION THAT:

- 1: The City Council of the City of Grand Junction strongly supports the application to DOLA to obtain funds needed to complete the Project. The City Manager is authorized and directed to work to finalize and timely submit such DOLA grant application.
- 2: If the grant is awarded, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction strongly supports the completion of the Project, and authorizes the City Manager to sign an appropriate grant agreement on behalf of the City as grantee of the DOLA grant.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and adoption.

Passed and adopted this 7th day of February 2024.

Anna Stout

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President, Grand Junction City Council

ATTEST:

Amy Phillips City Clerk