

**RESOLUTION No. 2023-R-011
Regarding Civil Rights**

The City of Blanco, Texas

Whereas, the City of Blanco, Texas, (hereinafter referred to as "City of Blanco") has been awarded TxCDBG funding through a TxCDBG grant, CDV21-0456, from the Texas Department of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as "TDA");

Whereas, the City of Blanco, in accordance with Section 109 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act. (24 CFR 6); the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-6107); and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and for construction contracts greater than \$10,000, must take actions to ensure that no person or group is denied benefits such as employment, training, housing, and contracts generated by the CDBG activity, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability;

Whereas, the City of Blanco, in consideration for the receipt and acceptance of federal funding, agrees to comply with all federal rules and regulations including those rules and regulations governing citizen participation and civil rights protections;

Whereas, the City of Blanco, in accordance with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, and 24 CFR Part 75, is required, to the greatest extent feasible, to provide training and employment opportunities to lower-income residents and contract opportunities to businesses in the Section 3 Service Area;

Whereas, the City of Blanco, in accordance with Section 104(1) of the Housing and Community Development Act, as amended, and the State's certification requirements at 24 CFR 91.325(b)(6), must adopt an excessive force policy that prohibits the use of excessive force against non-violent civil rights demonstrations;

Whereas, the City of Blanco, in accordance with Executive Order 13166, must take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to services in federally assisted programs and activities by persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) and must have an LEP plan in place specific to the locality and beneficiaries for each TxCDBG project;

Whereas, the City of Blanco, in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, does not discriminate on the basis of disability and agrees to ensure that qualified individuals with disabilities have access to programs and activities that receive federal funds; and

Whereas, the City of Blanco, in accordance with Section 808(e)(5) of the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3608(e)(5)) requires HUD programs and activities be administered in a manner affirmatively to further the policies of the Fair Housing Act, agrees to conduct at least one activity during the contract period of the TxCDBG contract, to affirmatively further fair housing;

Whereas, the City of Blanco, agrees to maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees engaged in the selection, award, and administration of contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLANCO, TEXAS, that:

The CITY of Blanco ADOPTS The following policies:

1. Citizen Participation Plan and Grievance Procedures (Form A1013).

The CITY of Blanco REAFFIRMS The following policies:

2. Excessive Force Policy (Form A1003);
3. Fair Housing Policy (Form A1015);
4. Section 504 Policy and Grievance Procedures (Form A1004); and
5. Code of Conduct Policy (Form A1002).

The City affirms its commitment to conduct a project-specific analysis and take all appropriate action necessary to comply with program requirements for the following:

6. Section 3 Economic Opportunity;
7. Limited English Proficiency; and
8. Activity to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing Choice.

Passed and approved this 8 day of August 2023.



Mike Arnold, Mayor
City of Blanco, Texas



ATTEST:



Laurie Cassidy, City Secretary