

RESOLUTION No. 2023–

***RELATIVE TO AMENDING 2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT***

BY:

Council Member Kenny Tompkins

WHEREAS, due to a mandate from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”), on January 6, 2023, the City published a notice of a proposed amendment to its 2021 Annual Action Plan addressing the use of the HOME American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds awarded to City from HUD; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on February 16, 2023 regarding the proposed amendment, to address the award of \$1,624,703.00 from HUD to provide housing, shelter, and supportive services for persons experiencing or at risk of homelessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, and other vulnerable populations at greatest risk of housing instability; and

WHEREAS, the public comments have been provided to the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Niagara Falls City Council hereby approves a Substantial Amendment of City’s Annual Action Plan for 2021, to include the use of HOME ARP funding awarded to the City to implement activities in the following categories:

- Acquisition, rehabilitation, adaptive reuse, or construction of affordable rental housing, including permanent supportive housing for qualifying populations;
- Tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) to help qualifying populations pay rent, security deposits, and utility deposits and payments;

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- A broad range of supportive services to prevent homelessness and foster housing stability such as emergency assistance, job training, childcare, and educational services;
- Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter to create private temporary units/rooms for households experiencing homelessness or fleeing abusive situations;
- Capacity Building & Nonprofit Operating to build capacity and financial stability in local nonprofit organizations serving your community with HOME-ARP activities;
- Administration and planning to hire, train, and support new staff to select, manage, monitor, and evaluate HOME-ARP projects and activities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate such activities.