

Monday, August 10, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 115-20

Offered by Councilor **MORROW** Seconded by Councilor

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCLUSION IN THE ESSEX COUNTY URBAN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR PROGRAM YEARS 2021-2023

WHEREAS, certain Federal funds are potentially available to the County of Essex under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended and HOME Investment Partnership Act of 1990, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Ridge desires to participate in the Essex County Urban County for conducting certain community development activities for Program Years 2021-2023; and

WHEREAS, a letter has been drafted by the Mayor to the Essex County Division of Housing and Community Development notifying them of the Borough's desire to participate in this process; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee or a unit of general local government that directly or indirectly receives CDBG funds may not sell, trade, or otherwise transfer all or any such portion of such funds to another metropolitan city, urban county, unit of general local government, or Indian tribe, or insular area that directly or indirectly receives CDBG funds in exchange for any other funds, credits or non-Federal considerations, but must use such funds for activities eligible under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Shelter Grants program ("ESG") provided through Subtitle B of Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act permits for substantial federal funds allocated to prevent homelessness and to enable homeless individuals and families to move toward independent living.

WHEREAS, the current Uniform Shared Services and Consolidated Act contains an automatic renewal clause to expedite the notification of the inclusion process; and

WHEREAS, by July 30, 2020 each municipality must notify the Essex County Division of Housing & Community Development of its intent to continue as a participant in the Urban County entitlement programs noted above; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Glen Ridge and its residents to participate in said programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of Borough of Glen Ridge that it hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the attached Cooperation Agreement and notifies the Essex County Division of Community Development of its decision to be included as a participant municipality in the Urban County entitlement programs being the Community Development Block Grant Program and Home Investment Partnership Act Program for the Program Years 2021, 2022 and 2023 (June 1, 2021-May 31, 2023); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy to this resolution be forwarded to the Essex County Division of Housing & Community Development no later than August 30, 2020.