RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO THE BUILDING RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES AND FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH, ASHBY, GLEBE FLOOD MITIGATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is accepting applications for hazard mitigation projects that reduce the risks the community faces from disaster and natural hazards under the Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA): Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Programs through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM); and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria's (City's) Commonwealth, Ashby, Glebe Flood Mitigation Project ("Project") is eligible for the FEMA grant funding pursuant to the Act's guidelines and published eligibility guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria wishes to authorize the development and submission of grant applications pursuant to Program requirements for construction of the first phase of the Project for a FY 2023 grant award and allocation up to \$28,500,000 or 75% of the estimated \$38 million for construction of the Project's first phase; and

WHEREAS, the FEMA requires a grant applicant to provide a resolution adopted by the applicant's governing body designating an authorized representative to submit funding applications and execute an agreement with the FEMA for grants (the "Grant Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, this Council wishes to authorize the City Manager of the City to file the applications with the FEMA and to sign such Grant Agreements, and any amendment thereto and other required documents, on behalf of the City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, as follows

- The City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager (the "Authorized Representative") or designee to develop, sign and submit on behalf of the City, grant applications for financing agreements from the FY 2023 HMA BRIC and FMA grants for the construction of the Project's first phase; and
- 2. Authorizes the Authorized Representative or designee to provide the assurances, certifications, and commitments required for the financial assistance applications including executing financial assistance agreements from the FEMA and any amendments or changes thereto; and

- 3. Authorizes the City Manager to submit this resolution and enter into any agreements that may be required to receive these funds should the requested grant allocation be approved; and
- 4. Authorizes City Manager to represent the City in carrying out the City's responsibilities under the financing agreement, including certifying disbursement request on behalf of the Entity and compliance with applicable state and federal laws; and
- 5. The City Council commits to fund its local share of engineering and construction costs of the Project.

Adopted: October 24, 2023

JUSTIN M. WILSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

GLORIA SITTON, CMC, CITY CLERK