

A RESOLUTION

23-135

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 18, 2019

To approve an agreement to enter into a long term subsidy contract for a multiyear term of 15 years in support of the District’s Local Rent Supplement Program to fund housing costs associated with affordable housing units for Contract No. 2019-LRSP-02A with Nannie Helen Burroughs, LLC, for LRSP units at The Strand Apartments located at 5119 Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue, N.E., and to authorize payment for housing services received under the contract.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Local Rent Supplement Program Contract No. 2019-LRSP-02A Approval Resolution of 2019”.

Sec. 2. (a) In 2007, the District passed Title II of the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget Support Act of 2006 (“BSA”) to provide funding for affordable housing for extremely low-income households in the District. The passage of the BSA created the Local Rent Supplement Program (“LRSP”), a program designed to provide affordable housing and supportive services to extremely low-income District residents, including those who are homeless or in need of supportive services, such as elderly individuals or those with disabilities, through project-based, tenant-based, and sponsored-based LRSP affordable housing units. The BSA provided for the District of Columbia Housing Authority (“DCHA”) to administer the LRSP on behalf of the District.

(b) In 2016, DCHA participated in a Request for Proposals issued by the District of Columbia Department of Housing and Community Development. Of the total proposals received, 13 developers were chosen to work with DCHA and other District agencies to develop affordable housing and permanent supportive housing units for extremely low-income families making 0% to 30% of the area’s median income, as well as the chronically homeless and individuals with mental or physical disabilities throughout the District. Upon approval of the contract by the Council, DCHA will enter into an Agreement to Enter into a Long-Term Contract (“ALTSC”) with the selected housing providers under the LRSP for housing services provided thereunder.

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(c) There exists an immediate need to approve an ALTSC with Nannie Helen Burroughs, LLC, under DCHA's LRSP in order to provide long term affordable housing units for extremely low-income households in the District for units located at 5119 Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue, N.E.

(d) This legislation, approving the contract, authorizes an ALTSC between the DCHA and Nannie Helen Burroughs, LLC, with respect to the payment of rental subsidy and allows the owner to lease the New Communities Initiative newly constructed units at The Strand Apartments and house extremely low-income households in the District with incomes at 30% or less of the area median income.

Sec. 3. Pursuant to section 451 of the District of Columbia House Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 803; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.51), and section 202 of the Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, effective April 8, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-352.02), the Council approves the ALTSC with Nannie Helen Burroughs, LLC, to provide an operating subsidy in support of 18 affordable housing units in an initial amount not to exceed \$456,456 annually.

Sec. 4. Transmittal.

The Council shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the District of Columbia Housing Authority and the Mayor.

Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

Sec. 6. Effective date.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.