Consider Approval of **Reso No. 22-56**, Authorizing the City to Enter Into An Agreement for Joint Participation in the Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Program and to Delegate the County of Tulare as the Administering Local Government for the Program

Presented by

Francesca Quintana, City Clerk & Assistant to the City Manager

Background

- What is PLHA? Permanent Local Housing Allocation Program
 - Provides grants to "Entitlement and Non-entitlement Local governments in California for housing-related projects and programs that assist in addressing the unmet housing needs of their local communities".
- Estimated funding amount the City of Lindsay is eligible to apply for is \$703,289 over five (5) years.
- City of Lindsay is unable to apply for and administer the funds directly due to an existing settlement agreement with HCD.

Background (cont.)

- State is accepting applications through November 30, 2022.
- The City has requested the County administer the PLHA funding allocated to the City of Lindsay
 - Funds would be preserved and utilized locally to keep much-needed affordable housing for low-income Senior Citizens.
- SHE prepares the PLHA application on behalf of the County and/or assist with the application as needed to facilitate use of the funds

PLHA Project

- SHE has requested to use the total 5 yr. PLHA allocation to support the Mt. Whitney Rehabilitation Project
- SHE acquired the Lindsay Mt.Whitney project in early 2022.
- SHE intends to do the following:
 - Add automated ADA controls
 - Provide fire pump
 - Fire alarm upgrades
 - Address structural challenges with the building
 - Provide interior improvements over the next one (1) to three (3) years
- SHE will draw funds to complete repairs as they are available annually from HCD

Delegation to County

- Staff recommends adopting Reso 22-56 delegating authority to the County to apply for and administer the PLHA allocation on the City's behalf.
- Since there is a settlement with HCD, this would allow County to be actual applicant for the funding and relieve the City of any responsibility with the execution of the project and funding process.