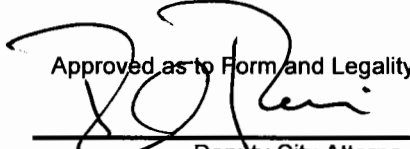


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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. 84835 C.M.S.

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**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION'S 100 RESILIENT CITIES PROGRAM FOR UP TO \$1.2 MILLION TO CREATE THE NEW POSITION OF CHIEF STRATEGIST AND RESILIENCE OFFICER (CSRO) TO OVERSEE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION EFFORTS TO ADAPT AND THRIVE IN THE AFTERMATH OF NATURAL AND MAN-MADE DISASTERS, AS REQUIRED BY GRANT PROVISIONS, AND ALLOCATING SUCH FUNDS TO THE NEW POSITION OF CSRO**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland has been selected as one of the inaugural cities for the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities program to support the development and implementation of Oakland's Resilience Action Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland confronts the grave threats of seismic and climate change disasters including rising sea-levels, extreme weather fluctuations, and other potential disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, these natural and human-made disasters have disproportionate impact on Oakland's vulnerable residents and low to moderate-income flatland neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, a recent Association of Bay Area Governments study found that over 24,000 of Oakland's multi-family housing units were at risk in the event of an earthquake with the majority of these vulnerable housing units in Oakland's low to moderate-income flatland neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, a recent analysis found that 90% of residents living in Oakland's 100-year flood zone have high social vulnerability; and

**WHEREAS**, a recent analysis found that climate change related rising utility/food costs and worsened air quality disproportionately impact Oakland's low-income residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland Resilience Action Plan Initiative supported by 100 Resilient Cities is anticipated to result in the following outcomes: 1) the development, passage, and

implementation of a model seismic retrofit requirement for the over 24,000 housing units at risk in a seismic disaster; 2) the development of and securing new funds for a seismic retrofit and possibly energy retrofit loan fund assistance program available to property owners subject to the City's new seismic retrofit requirements; 3) implementation of key strategies from the Oakland Energy Climate Action Plan identified by a recent Pacific Institute study on adaptation strategies for Oakland's vulnerable populations; 4) the study, development, passage, and implementation of possible zoning or building policy changes in Oakland's at-risk flood zones to prevent the loss of human life and property damage; 5) learning from the experiences of other cities around the world and sharing Oakland's information; 6) the receipt of technical assistance, such as financial modeling for a new seismic retrofit loan fund, and help to secure capital development funds for Oakland's Resilience Action Plan implementation priorities; and 7) refreshing City organizational capacity to innovate, collaborate, and approach the delivery of public services through the lens of resilience and strategic problem-solving; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities program will fund the salary and benefits of a new position of Chief Strategist and Resilience Officer (CSRO), for at least two years, to oversee the development and implementation of the Oakland Resilience Action Plan to address adaptation strategies for Oakland's seismic, climate change, and other threats; and

**WHEREAS**, the 100 Resilient Cities grant terms require that funds can only be used to fund a new Chief Resilience Officer position who reports directly to the top City operating official; and

**WHEREAS**, the CSRO will oversee the following efforts: 1) the creation and implementation of the Oakland Resilience Action Plan including strategic goals and viable strategies that promote municipal, community, and business resilience in the face of natural and man-made disasters, including managing an inter-departmental team of City staff and local public/private collaboration, as well as participating in regional efforts; 2) collaborate with community partners, including the Oakland Climate Action Coalition (OCAC) Adaptation and Resilience Committee, to train city senior staff on climate resilience, social equity, and public health in Oakland; 3) coordinate a steering committee made up of representatives from each stakeholder organization, including the OCAC, to develop and implement best practices of asset-based resilience planning with low-income communities, including community leadership roles; 4) serve as the relationship lead with Rockefeller Foundation and network members, as well as responsibility for effective communication with and garnering support from political and community stakeholders; 5) secure new funds and other resources needed to implement the Oakland Resilience Action Plan; 6) develop the vision and strategy plan for Oakland's vibrant and resilient future and overseeing its implementation and continuous assessment; 7) establish a compelling vision and drive the resilience conversation in Oakland, including building excitement about creating a resilient city, ensure active and inclusive public engagement, and serve as the City's expert on resilience; 8) create a long-term strategy that fosters balanced and sustainable economic growth and development for Oakland businesses, workforce, and community; and 9) work with the City Administrator and her senior team on City priorities, including economic development, public safety, and resilience; and

**WHEREAS**, the new Oakland Resilience Action Plan Initiative requires a three-year timeframe to develop, implement, and evaluate the resilience strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, the annual salary and benefits costs of the CSRO is \$237,610 to \$356,417; and

**WHEREAS**, the 100 Resilient Cities grant terms do not allow for the payment of City administrative or central services overhead costs; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby accepts, appropriates and allocates up to \$1.2 million from the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities program to fund salary and benefits costs of the Oakland Chief Strategist and Resilience Officer for potentially three years; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That, should additional funds be received for Oakland's Resilience Action Plan or related efforts from the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities program, the City Administrator, or her designee, is hereby authorized to accept, appropriate and allocate the same for the purposes described above; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator or her designee is authorized to negotiate and execute such documents and take any other actions with respect to funds from the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities program to support efforts consistent with this Resolution and its basic purpose; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That a contribution from the General Purpose Fund in an amount equivalent to the program's Central Services Overhead charges will be made in connection with the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities program; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That prior to execution, all contract and agreements and amendments thereto shall be reviewed and approved for form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and a final copy shall be placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, FEB 18 2014

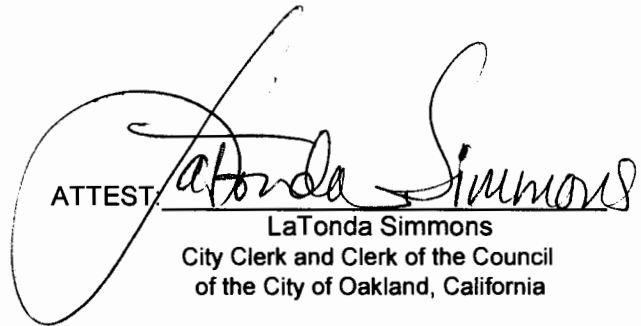
**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES - BROOKS, GALLO, GIBSON McELHANEY, KALB, KAPLAN , REID, SCHAAF, and PRESIDENT KERNIGHAN - 8

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

ATTEST   
LaTonda Simmons  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council  
of the City of Oakland, California