

**RESOLUTION NO.** 12955-16

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING HUD CHOICE NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE PLANNING GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AGREEMENTS WITH HUD FOR ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD.

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awarded the City of Newport News (the City) and the Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority (NNRHA) a \$500,000 Choice Neighborhood Initiative (CNI) Planning Grant to develop a Transformation Plan for the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the CNI process leverages public and private investments and partnerships with a range of community stakeholders to bring together the financial and human resources to support and sustain transformation of the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the CNI Planning Grant award from HUD, totaling \$500,000, the CNI Planning Grant leverages \$293,000 in cash and \$751,000 in supporting commitments from public and private investments and partnerships; and

WHEREAS, the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood planning area boundaries are 39th Street to the north, Hampton Roads harbor to the south, I-664 to the west, and Marshall Avenue and the former Chase Bag property to the east; and

WHEREAS, The City was one of ten grantees for FY2015/FY2016 to receive a CNI grant out of an applicant pool of 64, and was the only recipient in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, per HUD grant requirements, the Transformation Plan must be completed, adopted, and approved within 24 months of the grant award; and

WHEREAS, HUD funding regulations require the City's approval of receipt of the grant and require the City Manager to sign related agreements with HUD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council for the City of Newport News, Virginia, that it desires to, and does hereby approve and accept the HUD CNI Planning Grant in the amount of \$500,000 for development of a Transformation Plan for the Marshall-Ridley Choice Neighborhood, and it hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign related agreements for facilitation of the grant.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2016

Mabel Washington Jenkins, MMC  
City Clerk

McKinley L. Price, DDS  
Mayor

A true copy, teste:

City Clerk