RESOLUTION NO. 16-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A VOLUNTARY TRANSFER OF SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS FROM THE CITY OF BALCH SPRINGS, TEXAS, AS OF JULY 1, 2020; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Cities of Mesquite and Balch Springs ("Mesquite" and "Balch Springs," respectively) seek to encourage independence, provide housing assistance and promote family stability throughout their respective Cities and surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, Mesquite and Balch Springs, acting as public housing agencies (a "PHA"), entered into separate Consolidated Annual Contributions Contracts ("CACC") with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") to administer Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher ("HCV") programs; and

WHEREAS, HUD allows the voluntary transfer of HCV programs from the CACC of one PHA to the CACC of another PHA, including the transfer of budgeting authority (including restricted net position, unrestricted net position and other capital assets) and the transfer of corresponding baseline units; and

WHEREAS, due to a lack of personnel and funding to support and administer the HCV program within Balch Springs, Balch Springs seeks to transfer its HCV program to Mesquite; and

WHEREAS, Balch Springs has informed HUD of Balch Springs' desire to voluntarily transfer Balch Springs' HCV program to Mesquite; and

WHEREAS, HUD has informed Mesquite that Mesquite will not assume any debt or liability incurred by Balch Springs, nor be responsible for any action taken by Balch Springs, in the administration of its HCV program; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Balch Springs City Council approved by resolution the transference of the HCV program from Balch Springs' CACC to Mesquite's CACC effective July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the best interests of Mesquite and Balch Springs for Mesquite to accept said transfer; and

WHEREAS, Mesquite accepting the transfer of Balch Springs' HCV program will not negatively impact Mesquite's budget for administration of Mesquite's HCV program, and will result in Mesquite having greater control over utilization of vouchers in Mesquite; and

WHEREAS, Mesquite desires to accept the transfer of the HCV program from Balch Springs' CACC to Mesquite's CACC for administration by Mesquite as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Provided that the City of Mesquite will not assume any debt or liability incurred by the City of Balch Springs, nor assume responsibility for any action taken by the City of Balch Springs, in the City of Balch Springs' administration of its HCV program, the City of Mesquite hereby accepts the transfer of the HCV program from the City of Balch Springs' CACC to the City of Mesquite's CACC for administration by the City of Mesquite, said transfer to include budget authority (including restricted net position, unrestricted net position and other capital assets) and corresponding baseline units, and to be effective as of July 1, 2020.

SECTION 2. The Mesquite City Manager is hereby authorized to execute all necessary documents in order to effectuate the transfer authorized by Section 1 of this Resolution.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately from and after its passage.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 20th day of April 2020.

Bruce Archer

Mayor

ATTEST:

Sonja Land

City Secretary

APPROVED AS TOLEGAL FORM:

David L. Paschall City Attorney