

# CITY OF CONCORD

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*In the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-four*

**RESOLUTION** AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS MUNICIPAL PER UNIT GRANT PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT OF UP TO THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000) AND MUNICIPAL DEMOLITION GRANT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$35,000)

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*The City of Concord resolves as follows:*

WHEREAS, City Staff was approached by the developer of the Next Step Living project located at 3 North State Street, which proposes to convert the former commercial building into housing for individuals with developmental disabilities; and,

WHEREAS, the developer of the Next Step Living project seeks assistance in obtaining soon to be expiring Invest NH grant funding for the internal demolition related to converting the commercial space into housing (\$35,000) and for the creation of the affordable housing units (\$30,000); and,

WHEREAS, only municipalities are permitted under state law to apply for Invest NH grant funding; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Concord is eligible to apply for the Municipal Per Unit Grant Program (MPUGP) and the Municipal Demolition Program (MDP) for funds given as an incentive to support the permitting and approval of affordable housing units at the local level; and,

WHEREAS, grant funds are available through the Invest NH initiative, which includes both the MPUGP & MDP; and,

WHEREAS, the City can apply for up to \$10,000 per eligible affordable housing unit for the MPUGP; and,

WHEREAS, the City was previously granted a maximum award cap waiver from the State of NH, allowing the City the ability to receive a maximum award of up to \$2,000,000 for the MPUGP (for projects utilizing universal design elements) and the City has to date been awarded a total of \$1,140,000 in MPUGP funding (leaving the City eligible for up to \$860,000 of additional funding); and,

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WHEREAS, the City can apply for up to \$500,000 total from the MDP; and,

WHEREAS, if successful, the City will hold necessary public hearing to accept and appropriate said funds upon award, as well as subgrant said funds to Next Step Living, Inc., or applicable related corporate entity, to support the Next Step Living development located at 3 North State Street.

***NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Concord that:***

- 1) The City Manager is authorized to apply for said funds.
- 2) The resolution shall take effect upon its passage.