RESOLUTION

(Accepting Proposal and Authorizing Contract for Administrative Services Related to the City of Laurel's Application to the Mississippi Home Corporation Grant FY2024 for Homeowner Rehabilitation/Reconstruction Project Should Funds Be Awarded)

WHEREAS, by Council resolution of June 18, 2024, the City of Laurel authorized application to the Mississippi Home Corporation for funds available under the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's FY2024 HOME Investment Partnerships program for homeowner rehabilitation/reconstruction for low-income people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel advertised in the June 20, 2024 edition of the Laurel Leader-Call newspaper a *Request for Statements of Qualifications* for Administrative Services and in accordance with requirements established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development notified the Mississippi Procurement Technical Assistance Center of said advertisement; and

WHEREAS, at the published deadline for accepting proposals on July 9, 2024, three proposals had been received from the following service providers: Grants Unlimited, LLC, Alexandria & Parker, LLC, and Global Enterprise Network, LLC; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation committee composed of Parks & Recreation Director Elvin Ulmer and Mayor Johnny Magee individually examined the proposals and objectively assessed each, based on qualifications, experience, capacity, and familiarity with HOME projects; and

WHEREAS, tabulation of rating sheets, (See Exhibit A) revealed that Grants Unlimited, LLC, had earned the highest score of the proposals; and

WHEREAS, the Administration finds that Grants Unlimited, LLC, meets the criteria necessary to perform the professional services associated with application to the Mississippi Home Corporation for the FY 2024 HOME Grant and administration of the project should the city be awarded funds; and

WHEREAS, terms and conditions for all agreements between local governments and professional services providers for the HOME Investment Partnerships program were uniformly established by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Laurel City Council that Mayor Johnny Magee, acting on behalf of the City of Laurel, be authorized to contract the services of Grants Unlimited, LLC, for the preparation of an application to the Mississippi Home Corporation for a grant under the FY2024 HOME Investment Partnerships program and for oversight and monitoring of the project and administration of funds should the City be awarded said grant.

Motion was made	by Councilperson and seconded by
Councilperson	for the adoption of the above and foregoing Resolution.
Upon roll call vote	e the results was as follows:
YEAS:	
NAYS:	
ABSTAINING:	
ABSENT:	
The President ther the <u>16th</u> day of <u>JUL</u>	eupon declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted on this Y , A.D. 2024.
	PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
ATTESTED AND SUBM	IITTED TO THE MAYOR BY THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL ON
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