Ordinance accepting and appropriating the 2025 Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) Homeless Housing and Services Program (HHSP) grant in the amount of \$164,198 for the General Set Aside and \$53,111 for the Youth Set Aside, totaling \$217,309; authorizing agreements with the Nueces Center for Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities (MHID) for \$142,309 and Mission 911 \$75,000 for the 2025 funds; authorizing TDHCA to contract directly with MHID for the 2026 and 2027 program years for HHSP and Ending Homelessness Funds (EHF); and authorizing the execution of funding agreements, and other documents necessary to implement the 2025, 2026, and 2027 programs.

WHEREAS, the Homeless Housing and Services Program ("HHSP") was established by the 81st Texas Legislature through an appropriations rider and codified during the 82nd Texas legislative session to provide funding to the nine largest cities in Texas, including the City of Corpus Christi ("City"), in support of services to homeless individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) is awarding \$217,309 for the 2025 program year to the City to support the reduction of homelessness and housing stability. These funds will be awarded to local homeless service providers. Funding proposals were accepted for funds for from local groups. The City Council recommended awards for 2025 are to two local service providers, the Nueces Center for Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities (MHID) for \$142,309 and to Mission 911 for \$75,000; and

WHEREAS, the general allocation must be used by the City on activities eliminating and/or preventing homelessness, including the construction, development, or procurement of housing for homeless persons; rehabilitation of structures targeted to serving homeless persons or persons at-risk of homelessness; provision of direct services and case management to homeless persons or persons at-risk of homelessness; or other homelessness-related activities as approved by TDHCA; and

WHEREAS, Section §7.22(d) under Title 10 of the Texas Administrative Code ("HHSP Rule") provides that before TDHCA can enter into a contract the City must provide evidence of a governing body action (resolution or ordinance) which states that the City has authorization to enter into a contract for HHSP funds and must provide the name and title of the person authorized to represent the City and has signature authority to execute a contract; and

WHEREAS, an ordinance approving and authorizing a contract between the City and TDHCA for the award of the HHSP funds will be presented to City Council upon receipt of the contract from TDHCA; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Community Development Department now requests the City be given authority to enter into a contract with TDHCA for an award of HHSP

funds in accordance with the HHSP Rule and other documents necessary to implement the 2025 program through grant agreements with MHID and Mission 911; and

WHEREAS, TDHCA will allow the City to designate one local agency to contract with TDHCA directly for two program years and MHID, through the competitive grant process, is recommended for that direct contract for program years 2026 and 2027.

WHEREAS, TDHCA, in years where State funding is available, has allocated the City funds from the State's Ending Homeless Fund (EHF) and although not available in 2025, may be available in 2026 and 2027.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS THAT:

Section 1. The City Council specifically finds that the foregoing statements included in the preamble of this ordinance are true and correct and adopts such findings for all intents and purposes.

Section 2. The Director of Planning and Community Development Department, for the City of Corpus Christi, or designee is hereby authorized to administer these HHSP Program funds for the City.

Section 3. The City's FY2025 Operating Budget adopted by Ordinance No. 033451 is amended to increase expenditures by \$217,309 to reflect in accounting string 1071-530000 for the HHSP grant.

Section 4. Funds in the amount of \$89,198 for the General Set Aside fund and \$53,111 for the Youth Set Aside are designated for MHID for costs related to responding to homelessness in accordance with HHSP rules and regulations. Funds in the amount of \$75,000 for the General Set Aside fund are designated for Mission 911 for costs related to responding to homelessness in accordance with HHSP rules and regulations.

Section 6. The City Council hereby authorizes the City to enter into a Contract with TDHCA for 2025 HHSP funds, as described in this Ordinance and grant agreement with MHID and Mission 911. The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute all documents necessary for the Contract between the City of Corpus Christi and TDHCA and grant agreements with MHID and Mission 911.

Section 5. The City Council hereby authorizes TDHCA to contract with MHID for the 2026 and 2027 program years for the implementation of HHSP and EHF.

Section 6. The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute any future amendments to the Contract which extend the contract period or increase or decrease the amount of the grant.

Introduced and voted on the _____ day of _____, 2025. PASSED and APPROVED on the _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Paulette Guajardo, Mayor

Rebecca Huerta, City Secretary