

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SHASTA,
AUTHORIZING A \$248,000 DEFERRED PAYMENT LOAN TO THE VETERANS
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

WHEREAS, the Veterans Housing Development Corporation (VHDC) is a California non-profit corporation which seeks to secure permanent supportive housing for veterans and offers a supportive services and programs such as access to medical care, job training and placement assistance, 12-step and other sobriety support, and case management, to address the needs of veterans; and

WHEREAS, VHDC seeks to carry out a project consisting of construction of a 30-unit affordable housing complex for veterans (supportive housing) who are very low-income and eligible for Veterans Affairs Supported Housing (VASH) and to whom VHDC would provide supportive services;

WHEREAS, VHDC has requested a deferred payment loan from Shasta County in the amount of \$248,000 for preconstruction expenses for the Project, including but not limited to architecture, engineering, consultant fees, permit fees, and other preconstruction related fees and costs for the Project, which is to be located at 4275 Meade Street in the City of Shasta Lake, Shasta County, California, located at the northwest corner of Meade Street and Locust Avenue, Assessor's Parcel Numbers 005-060-025, 005-060-053, 005-060-058, and 005-060-059, (collectively, the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2015, the City of Shasta Lake caused to be posted a Notice of Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), stating that the Project is exempt pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15192 and 15194 (Affordable Housing Exemption) on the basis that the proposed Project meets all required criteria of Section 15194 as affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Shasta County Board of Supervisors has independently reviewed the Project and the proposed exemption, and finds that the Project meets the threshold requirements for exemption of affordable housing established in section 15192 of the CEQA Guidelines, and that section 15194 "Affordable Housing Exemption" of the Guidelines applies; and

WHEREAS, the County Environmental Review Officer has determined that the proposed deferred payment loan to VHDC is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") as indicated on the attached "Notice of Exemption;" and

WHEREAS, the Project and proposed deferred payment loan is not subject to any applicable exception, including the "unusual circumstances" exception; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 26227 authorizes the Shasta County Board of Supervisors to finance or assist in the financing of the acquisition or improvement of real property and furnishings to be owned or operated by any public agency, nonprofit corporation, or nonprofit association to carry out programs deemed by the Board of Supervisors to be necessary to meet the social needs of the population of the County, including but not limited to, the health and welfare needs of the population of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Shasta County Board of Supervisors deems the Project to be necessary to meet the social needs of the population of Shasta County and to serve purposes that will benefit the City of Shasta Lake and that is deferred payment loan is in the best interests of Shasta County, the community of the City of Shasta Lake, and the general public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta hereby finds, declares, and determines as follows:

1. Finds all of the above recitations are true and correct.
2. Adopts the Notice of Exemption filed with the Shasta County Clerk on October 19, 2015.
3. Finds that the Project is exempt pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15192 and 15194 (Affordable Housing Exemption) on the basis that the proposed Project meets all required criteria of Section 15194 as affordable housing.
4. Finds that the Project is not subject to any applicable exception, including the “unusual circumstances” exception.
5. Finds that approval of a deferred payment loan of \$248,000 to the VHDC (1) is needed to carry out the Project and programs deemed by the Board of Supervisors to be necessary to meet the social needs of the population of Shasta County, and (2) serves purposes that will benefit the City of Shasta Lake.
6. The loan to VHDC is in the best interests of Shasta County, the City of Shasta Lake, and the general public.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

RECUSE:

DAVID A. KEHOE, CHAIRMAN

Board of Supervisors

County of Shasta

State of California

ATTEST:

LAWRENCE G. LEES

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By _____
Deputy