# City of Calistoga Staff Report

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM:

Dylan Feik, City Manager

DATE:

April 3, 2018

SUBJECT:

Consideration of a Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Purchase of Vacant Land on Eddy Street, Calistoga (APN 011-215-001-000) and a budget adjustment from the unappropriated Affordable Housing Fund Balance for an amount not to exceed

\$500,000 from account number 78-4615-4910

#### APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:

Gloria Leon, Acting City Manager

**ISSUE**: Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to:

- 1. Approves and authorizes the purchase of vacant land on Eddy Street, Calistoga (APN 011-215-001-000) and a budget adjustment from the unappropriated Affordable Housing Fund Balance for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.
- 2. Approves a budget adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Affordable Housing Fund for an amount not to exceed \$250,000 from account 78-4615-4910.
- 3. Authorizes the City Manager to execute a certificate of acceptance accepting a Grant Deed conveying fee title to the Property and to take other actions and execute other documents as necessary to implement the purchase of the Property.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:** The City of Calistoga has been accumulating funds in its Affordable Housing Fund for affordable housing purposes as there is a clear need for more affordable housing within the City. The City Council has expressed a desire to purchase vacant property to be used for affordable

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housing purposes, for example, through partnering with an affordable housing developer.

In May 2017, the Calistoga City Council purchased a 0.26 acre parcel on Earl Street from CC&W LLC. Adjacent to the newly acquired parcel on Earl Street is a 2<sup>nd</sup> vacant parcel currently owned by Calistoga Spa, Inc., which is not currently listed for sale. The owners of the Eddy Street Property have expressed a sincere desire to contribute to addressing the City's affordable housing needs. The Seller and the City, through informal discussions between the city manager and a member representing the Seller, have negotiated the terms of a Agreement for Purchase and Sale (Including Escrow Instructions) ("Purchase Agreement"), whereby the City would purchase the Property for the sum total of \$500,000 under terms as follows: Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000), payable at closing, and; Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) payable on January 1, 2019, but no later than January 31, 2019. All future payments are at zero (0%) interest.

The City has performed an Environmental Site Assessment – Phase I and a property appraisal. If the City Council adopts the recommended resolution, City staff will notify the Seller and their brokers and will move forward with execution of the Purchase Agreement and the escrow process.

 This action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility it will have a significant effect on the environment, as the City and/or potential developer of any affordable housing on the Property will undergo project specific CEQA review during the land approvals and development phase.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The fiscal impact would be the costs of the purchase, or \$500,000 total under terms shown below:

- Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000), payable at closing from the unappropriated Affordable Housing Fund under account number 78-4615-4910 for Fiscal Year 2017-18;
- 2. Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) payable on January 1, 2019, but no later than January 31, 2019 from the unappropriated Affordable Housing Fund under account number 78-4615-4910 for Fiscal Year 2018-19. All future payments are at zero (0%) interest.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Draft Resolution
- 2. Draft Agreement

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### **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-XXX**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF VACANT LAND ON EARL STREET, CALISTOGA (APN 011-215-001-000) AND A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND BALANCE FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 FROM ACCOUNT NUMBER 78-4615-4910

WHEREAS, Calistoga Spa, Inc. ("Owner") is the owner of that certain vacant parcel of real property located on Eddy Street and known as Assessor's Parcel Number 011-215-001-000 ("Property");

WHEREAS, the City desires to utilize money in its Affordable Housing Fund to purchase the Property for affordable housing purposes:

WHEREAS, the Owner and the City have negotiated the terms of a Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions ("Purchase Agreement"), whereby City would purchase the Property for the sum of \$500,000, and City has conditionally submitted an offer subject to City Council approval;

WHEREAS, this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility it will have a significant effect on the environment, as the City and/or potential developer of any affordable housing on the Property will undergo project specific CEQA review during the land approvals and development phase; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to authorize the purchase of the Property for affordable housing purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Calistoga hereby:

- 1. Approves and authorizes the purchase of the Property for affordable housing purposes for \$500,000, in accordance with the terms of the Purchase Agreement including;
  - a. Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000), payable at closing from the unappropriated Affordable Housing Fund under account number 78-4615-4910 for Fiscal Year 2017-18:
  - b. Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) payable on January 1, 2019, but no later than January 31, 2019, from the unappropriated Affordable Housing Fund under account number 78-4615-4910 for