

COMMISSIONERS' RESOLUTION NO. R-xx-23

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONSOLIDATION OF KY 133 COVINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY AND KY 002 HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COVINGTON.

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WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Covington (KY002) manages development sites in the City of Covington: Latonia Terrace, City Heights, Golden Tower, and various scattered sites, and has a role in several mixed finance development sites which may include a public housing component (Rivers Edge at Eastside Pointe, Emery Drive, Academy Flats, Eastside Revitalization, New Site Properties); and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington manages the Housing Choice Voucher Program (known by HUD as KY 133 Covington Housing Authority); and

WHEREAS, both the Housing Authority of Covington and the City of Covington's Housing Development Department are classified as PHA's by and pursuant to federal statute and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the majority of HUD-sponsored housing agencies across the U.S. administer both public housing and housing choice voucher (HCV) programs, operating as single entities with a common Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Covington and the City of Covington Housing Authority have operated under a Consortium Agreement as authorized by 24 CFR 943 since December 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, as the lead agency HAC, on behalf of the Consortium, has been responsible for the preparation and submission of the HAC and HCV Five Year and Annual Consolidated Plans; and

WHEREAS, with approval from HUD HAC has 366 public housing units in disposition status because of the pending closure of the City Heights public housing project; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of consolidating the programs and functions of these two public housing agencies, include:

1. Unified oversight of two federally-subsidized housing programs resulting in increased coordination of services and operating efficiencies.
2. A One Stop Shop of housing opportunities for applicants and tenants with a cohesive customer service plan.

3. Reductions in administrative overhead to more align with reductions in federal funding for housing programs.
4. The merger of financial operations and the elimination of duplication of duties and responsibilities.
5. Eligibility for additional HUD funding and operational opportunities through such programs as the HUD/Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant.
6. The potential to leverage additional public and private resources to renovate dilapidated housing and/or enter into partnerships for new affordable housing development.
7. Laying the foundation for the conversion of existing public housing units to long-term project-based voucher assistance projects under the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington and The Housing Authority of Covington both acknowledge that as a result of the consolidation of the two public housing agencies both of the HUD designated PHAs' names, Consolidated Annual Contributions Contracts (CACCs) and identifying numbers will be permanently terminated and replaced with a new HUD designated PHA name, identifying number and CACC encompassing all of KY-133 and KY 002; and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington wishes to assign all obligations, assets and liabilities of KY-133 to the Housing Authority of Covington, as the agency operating the HUD consolidated PHA for its continued operations;

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Covington, as the agency operating the HUD consolidated PHA agrees to continue to administer the programs administered under KY-133 and assume the obligations, assets and liabilities of KY-133, in accordance with all legal requirements and HUD Notice PIH 2018-12;

WHEREAS, pending approval of HUD, the effective date of the consolidation will be July 1, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF
COVINGTON, KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY:

Section 1

The Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the consolidation of the HCV program (KY 133 Covington Housing Authority) and the Housing Authority of Covington, (KY 002) effective July 1, 2024.

Section 2

The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the consolidation of KY 133 Covington Housing Authority and KY 002 Housing Authority of Covington.

Section 3

This resolution shall take effect and be in full force when passed and recorded according to law.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

Passed: _____