Resolution #4, 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE VALPARAISO CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) COVID-19 RESPONSE PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS (OCRA)

WHEREAS, the Valparaiso Council of the City of Valparaiso, Porter County, Indiana recognizes the need to provide local businesses and their workers immediate relief related to the pandemic of the 2020 novel (new) coronavirus or COVID-19 health emergency within its corporate limits, and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, authorizes the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to provide grants to local units of government to meet the housing and community development needs of low-and moderate-income persons and/or the elimination of blight; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valparaiso, Porter County, Indiana has conducted or will conduct public hearings prior to the submission of an application to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, said public hearings to assess the housing, public facilities, and/or economic needs of its low-and moderate-income residents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Valparaiso Council of the City of Valparaiso, Porter County, Indiana that:

- 1. The Mayor, is hereby authorized to prepare and submit an OCRA COVID 19 Response Program application for \$250,000.00 in grant funding, to offer grants to local businesses as short-term working capital to retain jobs, continue operations and provide relief of immediate needs related to the pandemic of the 2020 novel (new) coronavirus or COVID-19 health emergency and to administer a resultant grant including requisite general administration and program management, contracts and agreements pursuant to regulations of the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- 2. The City of Valparaiso, Indiana hereby commits local funds in the amount of Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) in the form of funds from the Valparaiso Redevelopment Commission General Fund as matching funds for said program, such commitment to be contingent upon receipt of CDBG funding from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Valparaiso, Indiana this 8th day of February	2021
by a <u>1-0</u> vote of all members present and voting.	

Matthew R. Murphy, Mayor

ATTEST: