

RESOLUTION No. 16-02 Regarding Civil Rights
The City of Commerce Texas

Whereas, the City of Commerce, Texas, (hereinafter referred to as "City of Commerce" has been awarded TxCDBG funding through a TxCDBG grant] from the Texas Department of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as "TDA");

Whereas, the City of Commerce, in accordance with Section 109 of the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act. (24 CFR 6); the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-6107); and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and for construction contracts greater than \$10,000, must take actions to ensure that no person or group is denied benefits such as employment, training, housing, and contracts generated by the CDBG activity, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability;

Whereas, the City of Commerce, in consideration for the receipt and acceptance of federal funding, agrees to comply with all federal rules and regulations including those rules and regulations governing citizen participation and civil rights protections;

Whereas, the City of Commerce, in accordance with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, and 24 CFR Part 135, is required, to the greatest extent possible, to provide training and employment opportunities to lower income residents and contract opportunities to businesses in the TxCDBG project area;

Whereas, the City of Commerce, in accordance with Section 104(1) of the Housing and Community Development Act, as amended, and State's certification requirements at 24 CFR 91.325(b)(6), must adopt an excessive force policy that prohibits the use of excessive force against non-violent civil rights demonstrations;

Whereas, the City of Commerce, in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, does not discriminate on the basis of disability and agrees to ensure that qualified individuals with disabilities have access to programs and activities that receive federal funds; and

Whereas, the City of Commerce, in accordance with Section 808(e)(5) of the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3608(e)(5)) that requires HUD programs and activities be administered in a manner affirmatively to further the policies of the Fair Housing Act, agrees to conduct at least one activity during the contract period of the TxCDBG contract, to affirmatively further fair housing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS, that the CITY OF COMMERCE ADOPTS/REAFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING:

1. Citizen Participation Plan and Grievance Procedures (Form A1013);
2. Section 3 Policy (Form A1002);
3. Excessive Force Policy (Form A1003);
4. Section 504 Policy and Grievance Procedures (Form A1004); and
5. Fair Housing Policy (Exhibit 1015).

Passed and approved this 26th day of January, 2016.



Signature of Elected Official



Acting City Secretary

City of Commerce

Date 1-26-16