

Resolution: 2021-05-008
Date Approved: May 15, 2021
Subject: Indian Housing Block
Grant - American Rescue Plan
(IHBG-ARP)

- WHEREAS,** the Samish Indian Nation was Federally re-acknowledged by the Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior of the United States of America on April 26, 1996; and
- WHEREAS,** the Samish Tribal Council is empowered to act on behalf of the Samish Indian Nation pursuant to Article VI, Section 2, of the Samish Tribal Constitution, approved November 14, 2003, by Resolution of the Samish Tribal Council and adopted and ratified by Vote of the Samish General Council on March 2, 2004 and recognized by the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, David W. Anderson on April 20, 2004; and
- WHEREAS,** the health, safety, welfare, and education of the Indian people of the Samish Indian Nation is the responsibility of the Tribal Council of the Samish Indian Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) (Public Law 117-2) appropriates \$450 million for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program and grants the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) authority to waive or establish alternative requirements for any provision of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) or regulation applicable to the IHBG Program to expedite or facilitate the use of funds (other than requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment).
- WHEREAS,** the Samish Indian Nations Housing Department has been allocated a total of \$624,608 to prevent, prepare and/or respond to the impacts that the COVID-19 Pandemic has had on Samish Elders and Disabled Citizens.
- WHEREAS,** the Samish Tribal Council understands that many elders and disabled tribal citizens are currently living in substandard, overcrowded, or homeless conditions, which puts them at risk for contracting COVID-19.
- WHEREAS,** the Samish Tribal Council understands that the funds allocated can be used for development costs for the construction of rental housing for low-income native citizens that are elders and persons with a disability.
- WHEREAS,** the Samish Tribal Council recognizes the need to hire a Project Compliance Officer to oversee the on-site supervision of Xwch'angteng (34th Street) construction project.
- WHEREAS,** the Samish Tribal Council has reviewed the attached budget and is aware that there will be no shortfall for indirect.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Samish Tribal Council approves the submittal of an abbreviated IHBG-ARP application and authorizes the Chairman and/or his designee to sign, negotiate, modify, and amend said grant.

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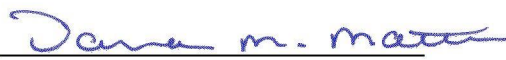
By: 

Thomas D. Wooten
Tribal Chairman

CERTIFICATION

The above resolution was duly adopted by the Samish Tribal Council during a regular Council meeting held on Saturday, May 15, 2021, at which time a quorum was present by a vote of:

7 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAIN.

Certified by: 

Dana M. Matthews
Tribal Council Secretary

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