

WHEREAS, it is the continuing policy of the City Council of the City of Alexandria to encourage and provide for the elimination of blight and deterioration in the Potomac East and West Neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the removal of seriously blighted structures are necessary as a part of the Potomac Program; and

WHEREAS, under Section 116 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to make grants to municipalities and counties to assist in financing the cost of demolishing structures which under State or local law have been determined to be structurally unsound or unfit for human habitation; and

WHEREAS, by reason of the existence in the locality of structures which constitute a public nuisance and a serious hazard to the public health, it is in the public interest to carry out a program of demolition of such structures on a planned neighborhood basis with grant funds authorized under Section 116; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the grant of funds pursuant to Section 116 will impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon the City of Alexandria (herein sometimes referred to as "Applicant"), among which is the obligation to assure that any persons who may be displaced as a result of the demolition activities are relocated into decent, safe, and sanitary housing, in accordance with the regulations of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development effectuating that Title, provide that no person shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to, discrimination in the undertaking and carrying out of any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

1. That an application be filed on behalf of the City of Alexandria for a grant under Section 116 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, of two-thirds of the cost of undertaking and carrying out a program of demolition in an area or areas to be designated in such application, which cost is now estimated to be \$216,000, and that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file such application, to execute such commitments for funds, to approve all claims for relocation payments made in accordance with the applicable regulations of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, to provide such information and furnish such documents as may be required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and to act as the authorized representative of the Applicant in the accomplishment of the demolition program.
2. That the United States of America and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development be, and they hereby are, assured of full compliance by the Applicant with regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development effectuating Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
3. That there exists in the locality decent, safe, and sanitary housing which is available to persons displaced as a result of the demolition activities to be performed with the Federal grant, at prices which are within their financial means and which are generally not less desirable in regard to public utilities and public and commercial facilities than the dwellings of the displaced individuals and families, and it is the sense of this body that such displacees, if any, will be relocated in accordance with applicable regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

4. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to execute the "CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER" attached, and to affix the official City Seal thereon and George E. Hubler, Jr., Budget Director, is authorized and directed to attest same.

Adopted September 27, 1972

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Mrs. Helen Vickers, City Clerk  
and Clerk of Council