

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, TEXAS, AMENDING THE SAGINAW HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ("SHIP") WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOV'T CODE CHAPTER 380; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SHIP AGREEMENTS PURSUANT TO THE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES TO SHIP APPLICANTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Whereas, the City of Saginaw is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

Whereas, the City is authorized by Article III, Section 52-a of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Gov't Code to provide economic development grants to promote state and local economic development and to stimulate business and commercial activity in the City; and

Whereas, the promotion of the redevelopment of existing housing stock in the City promotes economic development within the City and is essential for the continued economic growth and vitality of the City; and

Whereas, it is well established that the availability of quality housing stock encourages the relocation of businesses and attracts new business enterprises, as well as the expansion of existing business enterprises within the City, which in turn stimulates growth, creates jobs, and increases property and sales tax revenues; and

Whereas, the promotion of the housing stock is a major contributing factor to the growth of the City, which, in turn, stimulates trade and commerce and reduces unemployment; and

Whereas, residential development and redevelopment will attract and encourage business relocation and expansion since businesses will look to the available housing stock to meet the needs of management and the work force; and

Whereas, the Saginaw Home Improvement Program ("SHIP") is established in the exercise of the City's governmental functions in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the general public and for economic development purposes pursuant to Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Gov't Code; and

Whereas, the City Council desires to amend the SHIP policy approved by Resolution 2022-25, on December 6th, 2022, and replace it with the attached SHIP policy to make the Program available to all eligible residences within the City limits of the City of Saginaw; and

Whereas, the City Council finds and determines that providing economic development incentives in accordance with SHIP will further the objectives of the City, will benefit the City and the City's inhabitants, will promote local economic development, and will stimulate business and commercial activity in the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1.

The recitals and findings above are true and correct and incorporated into this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2.

The Saginaw Home Improvement Program ("SHIP") which was established and approved pursuant to Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Gov't Code, is hereby amended and replaced with the attached SHIP policy, and the City Manager, or the City Manager's designee, is hereby authorized to execute SHIP Agreements to provide economic development incentives to SHIP applicants, subject to available funding, in accordance with the SHIP Agreement, which is also attached to this Resolution.

SECTION 3.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and it is so resolved.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 4th DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

APPROVED:

TODD FLIPPO, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JANICE ENGLAND, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

BRYN MEREDITH, CITY ATTORNEY