

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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**RESOLUTION APPROVING GRANT AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
THE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY PLANNING PROGRAM (HAPP)**

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) and its members are committed to increasing the amount, affordability, and accessibility of the region's housing supply, particularly near transit; and

WHEREAS, these housing targets, when taken with other shared goals on transportation, equity, and climate, are helping the region create more transit-oriented communities and address long-standing inequities; and

WHEREAS, at its October 2021 meeting, the COG Board of Directors adopted Resolution R48-2021 endorsing the establishment of the Housing Affordability Planning Program (HAPP), supported by funding from the Amazon Housing Equity Fund; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of HAPP is to award small, flexible grants of up to \$75,000 to area local governments and non-profit developers (applying in coordination with a local jurisdiction) engaged in the planning, approval, or development of housing around transit stations; and

WHEREAS, in January 2022 COG announced the application period for HAPP grant awards; and

WHEREAS, COG established a HAPP Grant Selection Panel to review the applications and recommend grant awards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Board commends the work of the HAPP Grant Selection Panel and COG staff and approves the panel's recommendation to fund the selected projects at the proposed funding levels.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors
June 8, 2022
Janele Partman
COG Communications Specialist**