

**ORDER APPOINTING CAROL BORREGO, DIRECTOR OF THE FORT BEND COUNTY
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, AS THE CERTIFYING OFFICER (CO)
UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)
REGULATION AT 24 CFR Part 58.13**

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County participates in the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) and Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program; and

WHEREAS, Commissioners Court has determined that continued program participation is in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires in its regulation at 24 CFR Part 58.13 that the Certifying Officer (CO) for a Responsible Entity (RE) be the highest elected official for that unit of government; and

WHEREAS, HUD's regulations allow for the delegation of the Certifying Officer's responsibilities to a lower Director-level position within the Responsible Entity, such as a City Manager, Community Development Director, or Planning Director, provided that the delegation is documented in writing; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Court to appoint Carol Borrego, Director of the Fort Bend County Community Development Department, as the Certifying Officer under HUD's regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS THAT:

Section 1. Carol Borrego, Director of the Fort Bend County Community Development Department, is hereby designated as the Certifying Officer for the Responsible Entity in accordance with HUD's regulation at 24 CFR Part 58.13.

Section 2. Carol Borrego, or her designee, is granted the authority to sign orders or other official documents associated with the Community Development Department as may be necessary and appropriate as defined in Exhibit A.

Section 3. This order shall be filed with the Commissioners Court and shall remain in effect until such delegated authority is revoked or transferred to a different county officer or county employee by filing an order with the Commissioners Court.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2023.

FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

Attest:

KP GEORGE, COUNTY JUDGE

Laura Richard, County Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Standard Forms/Reports	Description/Purpose/Current Signatory
Environmental Review Determination Forms and or other documentation as required under 24 CFR Subpart D “Environmental Review Process: Documentation, Range of Activities, Project Aggregation and Classification	These documents include those required as part of the environmental review process required for all HUD-assisted projects and to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and other related Federal and state environmental laws.
Request for Release of Funds and Certification (Form HUD 7015.15)	Standard form used when requesting the release of project funds upon completion of the environmental review period.