

**RESOLUTION
APPROVING PARTICIPATION BY THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE IN THE
VIRGINIA OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND AND APPROVING THE CITY’S
EXECUTION OF THE VIRGINIA SETTLEMENT ALLOCATION MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING**

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic that has cost thousands of human lives across the country also impacts the Commonwealth of Virginia and its cities and counties by adversely impacting, amongst other things, the delivery of emergency medical, law enforcement, criminal justice, mental health and substance abuse services, and other services; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia and its cities and counties have been required and will continue to be required to allocate substantial taxpayer dollars, resources, staff energy and time to address the damage the opioid epidemic has caused and continues to cause the citizens of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, in order to advance their common interests, Virginia local governments and the Commonwealth of Virginia, through counsel, have extensively negotiated the terms of a memorandum of understanding relating to the allocation and use of litigation recoveries relating to the opioid epidemic (“Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation Memorandum of Understanding” or “MOU”) and the Council’s approval of the MOU will allow the City to participate in and receive proceeds from the opioid settlements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville that the City’s participation in the Commonwealth of Virginia’s Opioid Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation Memorandum of Understanding is approved, and the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the MOU on behalf of the City. The City Manager and City Attorney are each hereby authorized by this Council to execute, on behalf of the City of Charlottesville and this Council, any other or additional documents that may be necessary to effectuate the City’s participation in the MOU.

I, Kyna Thomas, do hereby certify that the foregoing writing is a true, correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, by a vote of 4 to 0 , as recorded below, at a regular meeting held on December 06, 2021.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>
Mayor Walker	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Vice Mayor Magill	<u>(absent)</u>	<u> </u>
Councilor Hill	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Councilor Payne	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Councilor Snook	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>