

RESOLUTION NO. 38-08a

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA,
APPROVING A PRIVATE SANITARY SEWER REPAIR GRANT PROGRAM TO BE
ADMINISTERED BY THE CITY ENGINEER IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FINANCE
DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, in 2007, the City of Richmond (“City”) enacted an ordinance codified at Richmond Municipal Code Chapter 12.17 that requires property owners to ensure that private sanitary sewer mains and laterals are maintained in good repair and equipped with two-way cleanouts and back flow valves or overflow pressure relief devices; and

WHEREAS, the proper repair, rehabilitation, and maintenance of private sanitary sewer mains and laterals is necessary to preserve the public health, safety and welfare by reducing the incidence of sanitary sewer infiltration into the ground and storm water inflow into the sanitary sewer system

WHEREAS, the cost of repairing and rehabilitating private sanitary sewer mains and laterals may be burdensome to some property owners; and

WHEREAS, as part of the settlement agreement in the case of *Baykeeper et al v. City of Richmond et al* (the “Baykeeper Settlement”), the City agreed to provide one hundred thousand dollars per year for ten years in the form of grants of up to \$3,000 each to property owners to help defray the costs of private sanitary sewer main and lateral repair and replacement; and

WHEREAS, the City has included in the annual budget for FY 06-07 one hundred thousand dollars to be disbursed as grants in accordance with the Baykeeper Settlement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Richmond has reviewed the proposed “Lateral Grant Application,” “Lateral Grant Application Guidelines,” and Agenda Report dated setting forth the administrative procedures for the City’s private sanitary sewer main and lateral grant program,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND DOES RESOLVE that the City shall provide one hundred thousand dollars per fiscal year until FY 15-16 to fund a grant program to be administered by the Engineering and Finance Departments in accordance with the Baykeeper Settlement and the materials presented to the City Council on April 15, 2008.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof on April 15, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Butt, Lopez, Marquez, Rogers, Sandhu, Thurmond, Viramontes, and Mayor McLaughlin

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

DIANE HOLMES
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND

[SEAL]

Approved:

GAYLE McLAUGHLIN
Mayor

Approved as to form:

LOUISE RENNE, Interim
City Attorney

The foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 38-08a, finally passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a meeting held on April 15, 2008.