

RESOLUTION NO. 35-14

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
PRELIMINARILY APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S ANNUAL LEVY REPORT FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 FOR THE HILLTOP LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE
DISTRICT, DECLARING THE COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT
ASSESSMENTS IN THE DISTRICT, AND ANNOUNCING A PUBLIC HEARING
REGARDING ASSESSMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Hilltop Landscape Maintenance District was established in 1986 to provide landscaping and maintenance improvements in an area in the northeastern portion of the City of Richmond generally adjacent to the I-80 freeway, north of the City of San Pablo, and extending west to the Richmond Country Club and north to the border with unincorporated lands within Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 1998 by Resolution No. 91-98 the City Council of the City of Richmond approved a maximum amount of individual maintenance assessments that may be levied by the City Council in the Hilltop Landscape Maintenance District (the "HLMD" or "District") in future fiscal years and approved the index by which the stated maximum amount of individual assessments may be increased; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2014 the City Council ordered preparation of an Engineer's Report for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 regarding proposed improvements and costs of improvements for the HLMD; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer has prepared the Engineer's Annual Levy Report Hilltop Landscape Maintenance District Fiscal Year 2014-2015 ("Engineer's Report") which describes existing and proposed improvements and substantial changes to be made to existing improvements within the HLMD, and which estimates the costs of such improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City has reviewed the Engineer's Report on file with the City Clerk's Office at Richmond City Hall at 450 Civic Center Plaza in the City of Richmond and determined that in order to pay the costs of proposed improvements for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 the City would have to increase District assessments from those levied in Fiscal Year 2013-2014 by an inflation rate of 2.45%, as permitted under Resolution 91-98.

NOW, THEREFORE, by this resolution the City Council hereby approves the Engineer's Report on file with the City Clerk's Office, declares its intention to levy and collect assessments in the Hilltop Landscape Maintenance District for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, proposes to increase District assessments from those levied in Fiscal Year 2013-2014 by an inflation rate of 2.45%, as permitted under Resolution 91-98, and further resolves to conduct a hearing on the levy of the proposed assessment at a regular meeting of the Richmond City Council to be held at 6:30 p.m. on June 3, 2014 at the Council Chambers in City Hall at 440 Civic Center Plaza in the City of Richmond.

I certify that the foregoing **Resolution No. 35-14** was duly passed, approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond, California, at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 6th day of May 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Boozé, Butt, Myrick, Rogers, Vice Mayor Beckles, and Mayor McLaughlin.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTENTION: None.

DIANE HOLMES
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND

(SEAL)

Approved:

GAYLE MCLAUGHLIN
Mayor

Approved as to form:

BRUCE GOODMILLER
City Attorney

State of California }
County of Contra Costa : ss.
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of **Resolution No. 35-14**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on May 6, 2014.