

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 98-15

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,
CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF RICHMOND TO JOIN THE
CONTRA COSTA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
URBAN COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Program (CDBG) allocates grants to larger cities and counties to develop viable communities by providing decent and affordable housing, opportunities to expand economic opportunities and improvements to public services specifically for low and moderate income households; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG program is authorized under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (Act); and

WHEREAS, Federal regulations under 24 CFR Part 570 have been adopted for purposes of implementing the CDBG program pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) acknowledges the County of Contra Costa as an Urban County under the Act (Contra Costa CDBG Urban County); and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa CDBG Urban County and its members are eligible to receive a formula allocation of CDBG funds for use in supporting affordable housing activities, expanding economic opportunities and improvements to public services throughout the Urban County; and

WHEREAS, Title I of the Act makes available entitlement grants to cities whose populations exceeds 50,000 persons and to counties who qualify as an urban county; and

WHEREAS, the Act's term "urban county" means (i) any county within a metropolitan area which is authorized under State law to undertake essential community development and housing assistance activities in its unincorporated areas which are not units of general local governments and (ii) either has a combined population of 200,000 or more in such unincorporated areas and in its included units of local government (a) in which it has authority to undertake essential community development and housing assistance activities and which do not elect to have their population excluded or (b) with which it has entered into cooperation agreements to undertake or to assist in undertaking of essential community development and housing assistance activities; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Brentwood, Clayton, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Oakley, Orinda, Pinole, Pleasant Hill, San Pablo and San Ramon have a combined population of 200,000 or more persons thereby qualifying as an urban county and eligible for an entitlement of CDBG funds and are, along with the County, members of the Contra Costs CDBG Urban County; and

WHEREAS, the County solicits other Contra Costa cities which are not in the Contra Costs CDBG Urban County to join with the County and participating cities for purposes of receiving CDBG funds to cooperatively support affordable housing development throughout the geographic area of the Contra Costs CDBG Urban County configuration; and

WHEREAS, in joining the Contra Costa CDBG Urban County, the City of Richmond (City) would be recognized by HUD as a recipient of CDBG program funds; and

WHEREAS, the City and County agree it is in the best interest of the City to join the Contra Costa CDBG Urban County as a co-participant with the County and other participating cities in order for the City to continue to receive CDBG funds for eligible affordable housing and public service activities under the Act; and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the County and other participating cities for the Contra Costa CDBG Urban County so that it may continue to utilize CDBG funds to administer affordable housing and public service programs and projects; and

WHEREAS, the County as the lead representative of the Contra Costa CDBG Urban County is authorized to amend the Cooperation Agreement on behalf of the entire Contra Costa CDBG Urban County configuration to add new members to the Urban County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby accepts that the above recitals are accurate and have served together with the Agenda Report as the basis for the findings and approvals set forth in this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby authorize the City Manager to execute agreements necessary to effectuate the purpose and intent of this Resolution, including the Cooperation Agreement between the City of Richmond and the County of Contra Costa to become a member of the Contra Costa CDBG Urban County.

I CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on October 6, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Martinez, McLaughlin, Pimplé, Vice Mayor Myrick, and Mayor Butt.
NOES:	None.
ABSTENTIONS:	None.
ABSENT:	None.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:

TOM BUTT
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. 98-15**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on October 6, 2015.



Pamela Christian, City Clerk of the City of Richmond