

RESOLUTION NO. 139-17

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA,
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT THE US ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$400,000 TO SUPPORT THE RICHMOND HOUSING RENOVATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, in June 2016, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region IX acknowledged the City of Richmond (City) as a recipient of a \$400,000 Brownfields Assessment Grant in support of the Richmond Housing Renovation Program (RHRP); and

WHEREAS, the Richmond Community Foundation (RCF) administers the Richmond Housing Renovation Program (RHRP); and

WHEREAS, RCF, through the RHRP, acquires blighted properties, rehabilitates those properties and resells those properties to lower income residents; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted a grant application to the EPA under the Brownfields Assessment Grant Program in support of the RHRP; and

WHEREAS, the EPA requires the City to complete multiple site assessments and a comprehensive Community Involvement Plan (CIP); and

WHEREAS, the EPA has approved the City's budgeted amount of \$400,000 to complete multiple site assessments and a comprehensive CIP; and

WHEREAS, the EPA requires the City to enter into separate contracts with an environmental engineering firm for the environmental assessments and RCF for preparation of the CIP, to fulfill the requirements of the Brownfields Assessment Grant, and the City will use grant proceeds to fund those contracts; and

WHEREAS, the City will allow the public to participate in the environmental assessment process and offer their expressed comments and concerns regarding potential contaminated sites throughout the following targeted neighborhoods: Coronado, Santa Fe, Pullman, Iron Triangle and Belding Woods.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Richmond 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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes the City Manager to accept the EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant in the amount of \$400,000, and to use the proceeds of the grant to fund the environmental assessment and CIP preparation contracts.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held December 5, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Choi, Martinez, Recinos, Willis, and Chair Myrick.
NOES: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.
ABSENT: Vice Mayor Beckles and Mayor Butt.

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. 139-17**, finally passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on December 5, 2017.


Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond