

RESOLUTION NO. 31-19

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA,
APPROVING THE EPA BROWNFIELDS REVOLVING LOAN AND GRANT
CONTRACT AWARD TO COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION OF NORTH RICHMOND TO COMPLETE REMEDIATION OF
FOUR VACANT SITES IN PREPARATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF 43 NEW
MULTIFAMILY AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS LOCATED IN NORTH
RICHMOND**

WHEREAS, in September 2009, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region IX acknowledged the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency (Agency) as a recipient of a \$1,000,000 Brownfields Assessment Grant to establish the Richmond Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RBRLF); and

WHEREAS, the Agency was dissolved in 2013 and the RBRLF was transferred to the City of Richmond (City) to administer; and

WHEREAS, the RBRLF is available to public and private entities and offers below market rate loans and grants to assist with the remediation of abandoned and/or contaminated sites in urban areas; and

WHEREAS, only nonprofit organizations are eligible to receive grants from the RBRLF; and

WHEREAS, the EPA grant agreement requires the City to have a Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Committee (Committee) in place to review, approve or deny funding and make recommendations to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2019, the Committee agreed to provide the Community Housing Development Corporation of North Richmond (CHDCNR) a grant in the amount of \$269,792 to support the remediation of four (4) vacant parcels located at Fred Jackson Way and Duboce Avenue; and

WHEREAS, CHDCNR has been a nonprofit housing developer for approximately 30 years in the community of North Richmond; and

WHEREAS, the CHDCNR acquires vacant and/or blighted properties, develops affordable multifamily and senior housing units and leases those units to lower income households; and

WHEREAS, the EPA requires the City to enter into a separate agreement with the CHDCNR to complete the remediation of four vacant parcels in North Richmond; and,
WHEREAS, the CHDCNR works in conjunction with the City to complete environmental assessments and remediation of 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 dated May 21, 2019 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 or his designee to execute a Standard Contract with the CHDCNR, for the completion of the remediation of four contaminated sites in North Richmond, in an amount not to exceed \$269,792.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held May 21, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Johnson, Martinez, Myrick, Willis, Vice Chair Choi, and Mayor Butt.
NOES: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.
ABSENT: Councilmember Bates.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:

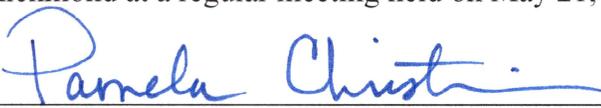
TOM BUTT
Mayor

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. 31-19**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on May 21, 2019.



Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond