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County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Brian M. Balbas, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer
Date: October 20, 2020

Subject: APPROVE letter of support for City of Richmond's application for Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant for redevelopment of 100 38th Street.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Public Works Director, or designee, to sign a letter of support for a City of Richmond application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for a Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant that could provide funding for the site redevelopment of the former Richmond Health Center at 100 38th Street, Richmond.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact

BACKGROUND:

The County is the owner of an approximate 2.9 acre property located at 100 38th St., Richmond. The site is the former West County Health Center which has been relocated to San Pablo. The County determined that the property was surplus to County needs and circulated a Request for Qualifications to non-profit housing development firms for the potential reuse of the site. A partnership of Eden Housing and Community Housing Development Corporation – North Richmond (CHDC) was selected as the reuse developer. On December 17, 2019, the Board of Supervisors approved an Exclusive Negotiating

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **10/20/2020** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: October 20, 2020

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Karen Laws, 925.
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cc:

Rights Agreement with the Eden Housing/CHDC partnership.

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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Eden Housing/CHDC partnership is currently engaged in pre-development activities, including a preliminary assessment of hazardous materials conditions. Asbestos and lead-based paint are believed to be in the building. Additional characterization and remediation will be required.

The City of Richmond is currently a recipient of an EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant. The City will be submitting an additional grant application. The City has proposed that this submittal be for an Assessment Coalition Grant, which would allow the amount of the grant to be doubled from \$300,000 to \$600,000. It may also enable the County to qualify for remediation grants from EPA in the future. They have asked the County, Eden Housing & CHDC to be coalition partners with the City in this grant application. The recommended action will enable the County to be considered a coalition partner.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

An opportunity to receive federal funding for pre-development activities that will be required would be lost.

ATTACHMENTS

Letter of Support