

**CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**RESOLUTION SUMMARY**

**Economic Development/ Brownfields**

**Resolution No.: 06-12-24A**

**Resolution Title:**

**Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of a 2024 Brownfields Environmental Assessment Grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) in the Amount of \$500,000.00 and the Execution of a Cooperative Agreement for its Use**

**Project Summary:**

- On May 24, 2024, the CRA was awarded a \$500,000.00 competitive grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) Office of Brownfield and Land Revitalization Programs to conduct five environmental site assessments of priority, publicly owned sites along the Federal Street corridor in the City’s East Camden Neighborhood.
- The environmental assessment grant is anticipated to be used to advance the environmental cleanup of targeted sites, ultimately, leading to a mixture of redevelopment uses and job opportunities for the City.
- The Federal Street Corridor area is characterized primarily by vacant former industrial land, and sites and is comprised of about 16.42 acres. (See Exhibit A for Federal Street Sites). Environmental impacts within the targeted area include the presence of contamination in the soil and groundwater. CRA proposes a strategy for implementation of these grant funds that considers several factors, including redevelopment potential, environmental risk, and community impact/and engagement. CRA plans to undertake a series of community planning meetings to elicit feedback to establish a redevelopment area, reuse considerations, and clean up decisions.
- These grant funds do not carry a match or cost share requirement.

**Purpose of Resolution:**

To accept an environmental assessment grant and authorize execution of a Cooperative Agreement with EPA

**Award Process:**

Competitive Grant Award

**Cost Not to Exceed:**

N/A

**Total Project Cost:**

N/A

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency (“CRA”) is charged with the duty of redevelopment throughout the City of Camden; and

**WHEREAS**, to this end, CRA manages the Camden Brownfields Program on behalf of the City of Camden; and

**WHEREAS**, CRA applied for and has been awarded a \$500,000.00 competitive grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) Office of Brownfield and Land Revitalization Programs to conduct five environmental site assessments of priority, publicly-owned sites along the Federal Street corridor in the City’s East Camden Neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the environmental assessment grant funds are anticipated to be used to advance the environmental clean-up of targeted sites, ultimately, leading to a mixture of redevelopment uses and job opportunities for the City; and

**WHEREAS**, CRA is required to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with EPA that will govern the requirements for administering the \$500,000.00 grant;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency hereby accepts a 2024 Environmental Assessment Grant award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) in the amount of \$500,000.00 for the environmental assessment of eligible sites along the city’s Federal Street Industrial and Commercial Corridor in East Camden; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Interim Executive Director, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Cooperative Grant Agreement with EPA and all other documents necessary to administer the Grant and to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

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ON MOTION OF: **Maria Sharma**

SECONDED BY: **Christopher Collins**


COMMISSIONER	AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Christopher Collins	X		
Derek Davis	X		
Gilbert Harden, Sr.	X		
Tasha Gainey-Humphrey	X		
Ian K. Leonard	X		
Jose Javier Ramos	X		
Maria Sharma	X		

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Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
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Olivette Simpson  
Interim Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

*Mark P. Asselta*

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Mark P. Asselta, Esq.  
Board Counsel

**EXHIBIT A**

Federal Street Industrial Commercial Corridor – Priority Sites

Concord Chemical Site—1698 Federal St.

Former Incinerator Site—NE Federal and Admiral Wilson Blvd.

Port-a-Pot Site—NE Federal and River Ave.

Former Standard Oil Site—NW Federal and River Ave.

19th and Carmen—SE 19th St and Carmen St.

RMH Automotive—SW 17th St 160 N Admiral Wilson

Exhibit A

FEDERAL STREET INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR – PRIORITY SITES

