## CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RESOLUTION SUMMARY

**Economic Development/Brownfields** 

Resolution No.: 03-10-21C

#### **Resolution Title:**

Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Camden for the Management of a US Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Revolving Loan Subgrant for the Remediation of the Knox Meadows Phase II Site in the North Camden Brownfield Development Area (Block 746, Lots 26 & 46 and a Portion of Lots 17, 18, & 25)

### Project Summary:

- A portion of the former Knox Gelatin Site is known as The Meadows at Pyne Point Phase II and is currently designated as Block 746, Lots 26 & 46 and a portion of Lots 17, 18, & 25 on the City Tax Map (the "Site").
- The Site is a City-owned property that is an active case with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") Site Remediation Program ("SRP").
- Prior to the planned residential redevelopment of the site, the environmental contamination at the site must be remediated in accordance with NJDEP SRP requirements.
- In 2017, the City of Camden was awarded a \$200,000 cleanup grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA").
- The CRA entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the City to administer, manage, and implement the EPA Cleanup Grant on behalf of the City as authorized by CRA Resolution 12-14-16E.
- The term of the Shared Services Agreement was amended to extend the performance period to September 30, 2023 as authorized by CRA Resolution 06-10-20C.
- The CRA has been awarded from the State Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) a \$1,136,612 Remediation Grant and a \$103,825 Assessment Grant for the Site.
- Under a companion resolution, the CRA is seeking authorization to make a \$200,000 EPA Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Subgrant to the City of Camden to fund a portion of the environmental cleanup work.
- The proposed Subgrant, along with the \$200,000 EPA Cleanup Grant already awarded for the project will meet the HDSRF grant match funding requirements.
- The scope of the existing Shared Services Agreement with the City needs to be amended to include the use, management, and implementation of the EPA Subgrant and related funding for the Site's brownfield planning, assessment, remediation, and redevelopment.

Purpose of Resolution:
To Amend the Existing Shared Services Agreement between the CRA and the City
Award Process:
N/A
Cost Not To Exceed:
N/A
Total Project Cost:
TBD
Source of Funds:
US EPA Brownfields RLF Grant, EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant, HDSRF grants

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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**, as part of the CRA's redevelopment duties, the CRA manages the City of Camden Brownfield Program including planning activities, applying for and managing grants for brownfield investigation and remediation, and contracting for professional services and remediation work; and
- WHEREAS, the Brownfield Program places priority on the investigation, remediation, and redevelopment of contaminated sites located in the North Camden Brownfield Development Area (BDA); and
- WHEREAS, a Portion of the Knox Gelatin Site Known as the Meadows at Pyne Point Phase II designated as Block 746, Lots 26 & 46 and a Portion of Lots 17, 18, & 25 of the City of Camden Tax Map ("Site"), is a City-owned parcel located in the North Camden BDA (the Site); and
- WHEREAS, the Site is currently an active case with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) Site Remediation Program (SRP); and
- WHEREAS, prior to the planned residential redevelopment of the Site, the environmental contamination at the site must be remediated in accordance with NJDEP SRP requirements; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Camden was awarded a \$200,000 Cleanup Grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as part of Cooperative Agreement BF96267217 in 2017; and
- **WHEREAS**, The CRA entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the City to manage and to implement the EPA Cleanup Grant for the Site on behalf of the City as authorized by CRA Resolutions 12-14-16E and 06-10-20C; and
- WHEREAS, the CRA was awarded a \$1,136,612 Remediation Grant and a \$103,825 Assessment Grant from State Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Funds ("HDSRF) for the Site; and

WHEREAS, under a companion resolution at this meeting, the CRA is seeking authorization for a \$200,000 EPA Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Subgrant to the City of Camden to fund a portion of the environmental remediation work for the Site; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Subgrant, along with the \$200,000 EPA Cleanup Grant already awarded for the project, will meet the grant match funding requirement for the HDSRF Remediation Grant for the Site; and

WHEREAS, the scope of the existing Shared Services Agreement with the City needs to be amended to include the use, management, and implementation of the US EPA Subgrant and related other funding for the Site's brownfield planning, assessment, remediation, and redevelopment; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the CRA and the City to enter into a Shared Service Agreement for the management of the US EPA RLF and HDSRF cleanup grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Interim Executive Director of the Agency, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized and directed to execute an amendment to a Shared Services Agreement between the Agency and the City of Camden to amend the scope of such agreement to include the use, management, and implementation of a US Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Revolving Loan Subgrant in connection with the Knox Meadows II Site in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Interim Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions and execute all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

## 03-10-21C (cont'd)

ON MOTION OF: Ian K. Leonard

SECONDED BY: Gilbert Harden, Sr.

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
	X		
Derek Davis	74		
	X		
Gilbert Harden Sr.			
	X		
Ian K. Leonard			
	X		
Jose Javier Ramos			
			X
Maria Sharma			
			X
Marilyn Torres			

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Marilyn Torres Chairperson	
ATTEST:	
	Olivette Simpson
	Interim Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark F. Asselta

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