CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Economic Development/ Brownfields

Resolution No.: 10-13-21F

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing an Operations Transfer Agreement for the Cramer Hill Waterfront Park (formerly known as the Harrison Avenue Landfill) Designated as Block 809, Lots 7 & 13 on the Camden City Tax Map

Project Summary:

- The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (the "NJDEP") has designed and constructed various components of the new Cramer Hill Waterfront Park formerly known as the Harrison Avenue Landfill Site (the "Park Site") to include shoreline protection, natural resource restoration, landfill closure, and a waterfront park.
- CRA is the current owner of the Park Site.
- The Park Site is located at the northwest corner of Harrison Avenue and East State Street and is designated on the City Tax Map as Block 809, Lots 7 &13.
- Upon substantially completing the new Cramer Hill Waterfront Park, the NJDEP will be relinquishing the operations and general maintenance of the Park Site and thus allowing for the public opening of the Park Site on or about October 26, 2021.
- The CRA has sought and obtained various state and federal grants to address various obligations for the environmental remediation of the site.
- While the CRA is the owner of the Park Site at this time, the CRA's will not operate or maintain the Park Site.
- In order to accommodate the public opening of the Park Site on or about October 26, 2021, the CRA must enter into a multiparty agreement or agreements (the "Agreement") in order to have a more appropriate entity or entities maintain and operate a public park.
- The parties to the Agreement are expected to include the City of Camden and Camden County.
- It is anticipated that the Agreement will set forth the obligations for Camden County to operate and maintain the Park Site operations, for the City of Camden to take title to the Park Site, and for the CRA to address the environmental remediation of the Park Site subject to grant funding availability and DEP permit compliance.

Purpose of Resolution:

To authorize a multiparty Operations Transfer Agreement

Award Process:

N/A

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

WHEREAS, the CRA is the current owner of the new Cramer Hill Waterfront Park (formerly known as the Harrison Avenue Landfill) which is located at the northwest corner of Harrison Avenue and East State Street in the City of Camden and designated as Block 809, Lots 7 & 13 on the City of Camden Tax Map (the "Park Site"); and

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (the "NJDEP") has designed and constructed various components of the new Cramer Hill Waterfront Park to include shoreline protection, natural resource restoration, landfill closure, and a waterfront park; and

WHEREAS, upon substantially completing the new Cramer Hill Waterfront Park, the NJDEP will be relinquishing the operations and general maintenance of the Park Site and thus allowing for the public opening of the Park Site on or about October 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, while the CRA is the owner of the Park Site at this time, the CRA will not operate or maintain the public park on the Park Site; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of the public opening of the Park Site on or about October 26, 2021, the CRA must enter into a multiparty agreement or agreements (the "Agreement") in order to have a more appropriate entity maintain and operate the public park; and

WHEREAS, the parties to the Agreement are expected to include the City of Camden and Camden County.

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Agreement will set forth the obligations for Camden County to operate and maintain the Park Site operations, for the City of Camden to take title to the Park Site, and for the CRA to address the environmental remediation of the Park Site subject to grant funding availability and DEP permit compliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency, that the Interim Executive Director, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and enter into an Operations Transfer Agreement for the Cramer Hill Waterfront Park; and

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

10-13-21F (cont'd)

ON MOTION OF:

Gilbert Harden, Sr.

SECONDED BY:

Jose Javier Ramos

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Derek Davis	X		
Gilbert Harden, Sr.	X		
Ian K. Leonard	X		
Jose Javier Ramos	X		
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ATTEST:

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Interim Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

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