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ORDINANCE NO. _____C. M. S.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF OAKLAND TO PURCHASE A VACANT LAND PARCEL, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 014-1272-033, FROM THE ALAMEDA COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR OFFICE OR THE PROPERTY OWNER FOR THE CONTINUED USE AS A NEIGHBOUR POCKET PARK FOR THE COST OF DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES AND CLOSING COSTS ESTIMATED AT \$7,500.

WHEREAS, the Ayala Land Trust("Trust") owns an irregular shaped 3,840 square foot, vacant parcel of land, Assessor Parcel Number 014-1272-033, located at the 5700 Block of Ayala Street, described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto (the Property); and

WHEREAS, Trust for Public Land acquired the parcel from CALTRANS in 1977, and conveyed the parcel to the Ayala Land Trust in 1980. The irregularly shaped 3,840 square foot parcel abuts the freeway and serves as a freeway buffer in the residential area, as well as neighbourhood open space that contains a climbing structure, park bench, landscaping and rear fence; and

WHEREAS, Since 1980, the Property is has been used as an infill neighbourhood park; and

WHEREAS, The Land Trust is unable to assume the additional burden of taxes on the parcel and therefore the property taxes have not been paid allowing the County Tax Office to put the open space parcel up for delinquent tax sale; and

WHEREAS, The County will allow the City to purchase the property for back taxes under Chapter 8, Section 3800 of the Revenue and Taxation Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Councilmember of District One wants to ensure that the property continues its use as a infill park to service the community; and

WHEREAS, The subject property has been identified for tax sale and the County of Alameda tax office will be conducing an auction on March 23, 2005 on all properties that are delinquent with outstanding property taxes, and

WHEREAS, The County tax record indicates a delinquent tax lien of \$6,700 for the subject Property; and

WHEREAS, the Councilmember for District One would recommends that the Council authorize the purchase of this parcel with Council District One Pay Go funds and direct staff to negotiate with neighbourhood representatives to work out an arrangement to minimize any additional maintenance cost to the City of Oakland.; now therefore:

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

- SECTION 1. The City Council finds and determines that the herein-described real property is needed for use as Public Park, and the purchase of the Property is in the City's best interests.
- SECTION 2. Council authorize the purchase of this parcel with Council District One Pay Go funds and direct staff to negotiate with neighbourhood representatives to work out an arrangement to minimize any additional maintenance cost to the City of Oakland.
- SECTION 3. The City Administrator or her designee, is hereby authorized to take all actions as may be required to carry out the intent of this Ordinance to purchase the vacant land parcel, assessor parcel number 014-1272-033, from the Alameda County Tax Assessor office or from the property owner for the continued use as a neighbour pocket park for the cost of delinquent property taxes and closing costs estimated at \$7,500.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

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IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _	, 2005
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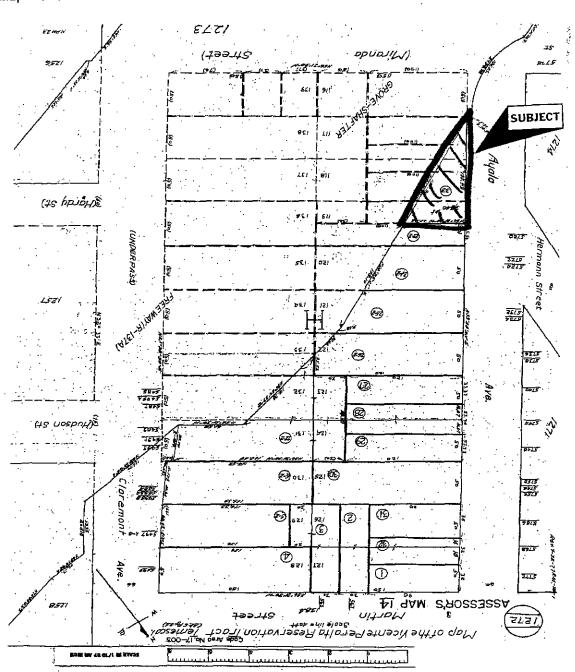
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California

Exhibit "A"



- 1 Assessors Parcel Map for the parcel number 014-1272-033-00 was found
 - AYALA AVE OAKLAND, CA 94609-1506

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