Puter Elga

## OFFICE CT THE CHERK OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

2006 JUN - 1 PM 12: 47 RESOLUTION No. 79968 C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Approve A Contract Between The City Of Oakland And The East Bay Community Law Center For One Year In The Amount Of \$75,000 For Legal Services To Low Income Rent Adjustment Clients

WHEREAS, On January 22, 2002 the City Council passed Resolution No. 76930 C.M.S. to provide low income renters and owners with representation before the Rent Adjustment Program ("RAP") and the Housing, Residential Rent and Relocation Board ("Rent Board"). The Resolution mandated "one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of the funds budgeted for the Rent Adjustment Program ("RAP") . . . shall be allocated to provide the above-described services."; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$75,000.00 are budgeted from the Rent Adjustment Program funds: Fund 1010, Organization 88969, Acct 54900, Project P190010, fiscal year 2006-2007; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of the East Bay Law Center was selected after an open proposal process as the proposal best meeting the program requirements set forth in a Request for Proposals and the City entered into a contract with the East Bay Community Law Center to provide the representation services for calendar year 2005; and

WHEREAS, after a review of the program results, City Staff found the East Bay Community law Center performed the requested services excellently during calendar year 2005 and recommends the representation services be continued using the East Bay Community Law Center; and,

**WHEREAS**, City employees cannot represent tenants or owners before the RAP or Rent Board as to do so would create a conflict with the representation, thus the representation services must be performed by persons outside the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the services provided pursuant to the agreement authorized hereunder are of a professional, scientific or technical nature and are temporary in nature; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that this contract shall not result in the loss of employment or salary by any person having permanent status in the competitive service; now therefore be it,

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby appropriates \$75,000 from the Fund Balance in General Purpose Fund (1010) to the Emergency Housing organization (88969), Rent Arbitration Project (P190010); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator or her designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a one-year contract with the East Bay Law Center, Inc. in the amount of \$75,000 to provide legal services related to Rent Adjustment to Oakland residents and landlords with residential rental property in the City of Oakland with incomes of 80% of median income or less.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE $-8$
NOES
ABSENT - Q
ABSTENTION - O ATTEST: ATTEST: LaTenda Simmons

City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California