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- TO: Office of the City Administrator
- ATTN: Dan Lindheim
- FROM: Community and Economic Development Agency
- DATE: December 1, 2009
- RE: An Agency Resolution Adopting the FY 2009-11 Green Works Development Program In The Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area; Authorizing A Grant to the Peralta Community College District In An Amount Not To exceed \$35,000 To Provide Green Education At Merritt College For Project Area Participants; Authorizing A Grant to The Oakland Unified School District In An Amount Not To Exceed \$35,000 To Provide Green Construction Training At Rudsdale Academy; And Allocating Funding In The Amount Of \$130,000 For The Program

SUMMARY

This item authorizes partnership agreements for grants totaling \$70,000 and program allocations totaling \$130,000 for the Coliseum Redevelopment Green Works Development (GWD) pilot program, as approved as part of the FY 2009-11 Agency budget. Staff developed this program under the umbrella of the Oakland Green Job Corps (OGJC) and refined it in conversations with the Mayor's Office and in the context of the East Bay Green Corridor initiative. Specifically, as a complement to other OGJC efforts, the program seeks to embrace the broader field of greening efforts which can tie into on-going redevelopment capital projects. This program represents a modest step to not only further redevelopment goals, but also to support community engagement in the planning and building of neighborhood-scale projects

FISCAL IMPACT

The Agency allocated \$200,000 in funds for the newly established Green Works Development Program as part of the adopted FY 2009-11 Agency budget. This resolution authorizes specific programmatic uses of these budgeted funds. Specifically, \$70,000 in funds are targeted as grants to match in-kind support for the program by key OGJC partners – the Peralta Community College District and the Oakland Unified School District. Per the attached resolution, a grant of \$35,000 will be allocated to the Peralta College District Merritt College Landscape Environmental Management program, and a separate grant of \$35,000 will be allocated to the Oakland Unified School District-Rudsdale Academy. A Memoranda of Understanding will be developed to memorialize these partnership arrangements.

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The remaining \$130,000 budgeted amount for the GWD program will be used for specific construction and development activities leading to the implementation of green projects in the Coliseum Redevelopment Area. Staff will return with a separate resolution authorizing the allocations of these remaining funds to specific contractors and projects in the spring of 2010.

BACKGROUND

On July 22, 2008, the City Council approved the initial Oakland Green Job Corp partnership with a contribution of \$250,000 from the Williams-Reliant Settlement Fund to a collaborative green education-training team led by Laney College (Peralta Community College District). This OGJC effort to establish green "pathways out of poverty" explicitly focused on solar voltaic installation and green-tech careers suited to the educational programs at Laney College and the potential of good career paths in the emerging solar installation sector.

As this initial program developed, Redevelopment staff, already involved in conversations led by the Mayor's Office to define the City's role in the Regional East Bay Green Corridor initiative, began conversations on ways Redevelopment programs could help support green jobs and green infrastructure development. It became apparent that there was a sector of green career fields around landscape management/green site development that existed beyond solar and green tech fields, which tied in well with proposed redevelopment capital projects such as streetscapes, parks, and community facility open space improvements.

Staff, in conversation with OGJC steering committee members and the Mayor's Office, began developing a separate track of green job development under the umbrella of the OGJC that targeted this identified "greening" field, to combine the green education components with on the-job training associated with already funded/programmed Redevelopment capital projects. After different levels of discussion and formulation, staff was directed to develop the proposed track as a two-year pilot program within the Coliseum Redevelopment Area.

In setting up the parameters and guidelines for the project, staff developed partnership relationships with the Merritt College campus of the Peralta Community College District which has hosted the Sustainable Peralta Initiatives for the last several years, and is home to the Ronald V. Dellums – David R. Brower Institute of Sustainable Policy Studies. Peralta also has a widely-renowned Landscape and Environmental Management Program that has already established connections in the East Oakland community. This institution was identified as a key partner in the GWD program and the most appropriate entity to lead the greening education components. In identifying green hard skill training partners, staff began working with the Rudsdale Academy, which is not only located in the Coliseum Project Area (69th Ave. near International Blvd.), but which also has a developing training program and serves many at-risk young adults from the Redevelopment project area. It is with the involvement of these two institutions that staff believes the GWD program is ready to commence.

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KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

This program is designed to assist in the implementation of designated Redevelopment projects and contribute to the inclusion of sustainable elements and to the engagement of neighboring residents in these projects. This approach will create a positive transformation, with a multiplier effect that addresses blight and helps catalyze neighborhood revitalization. One of the key issues that often accompany community-based design-build projects is the unforeseen maintenance costs and questions as to construction quality and appearance. Training and involving a cadre of residents in their building will help promote greater stewardship, and can stimulate volunteer and other activities that will help off-set challenging maintenance issues. All projects will be built with licensed and qualified contractors and reviewed/inspected by applicable City divisions, as with any Redevelopment project. Staff is confident that this pilot program will demonstrate that through these types of projects the City can be an active supporter of needed green infrastructure, youth education and community engagement, and through collaborative work, substantively help develop healthy neighborhoods.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Green Works Development is modeled as a distinct track within the wider Oakland Green Jobs Corps Partnership, focusing on job training opportunities that can link residents to the development and implementation of green public facility and neighborhood capital infrastructure in the Coliseum Redevelopment Area.

As with the Oakland Green Job Corps, the GWD is a job-training program providing "green pathways out of poverty" for young adults facing barriers to employment. Placed within the redevelopment context, the overall goal of the program in its capital implementation is the elimination of blight in the project area and providing a catalyst for economic development. Specific green public infrastructure projects identified and funded within the Coliseum Redevelopment Area will enable participants to gain green career education and skills while contributing to local neighborhood improvements.

Redevelopment funds will go towards capital costs for green infrastructure and on-the job training/construction oversight associated with such projects, along with in-kind contributions provided by the partner institutions, the Peralta Community College District (PCCD)-Merritt Campus Landscape and Environmental Management Program and the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) Rudsdale Academy. A partnership agreement will be developed with PCCD and OUSD to accompany the allocation of grant funds of \$35,000 for each entity to provide green career educational and training support for the Green Works Development program, beginning in January 2010 and continuing through the fall of 2010.

Overall, the GWD program will engage 30-40 participants, between the ages of 16 and 24 years old. The outcome of the combined green education and career training will be the

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- Park and community facility site improvements
- Neighborhood green spaces and common area elements
- Sustainable landscaping elements in streetscapes

Redevelopment staff, in conjunction with a CEDA technical advisory committee, will fund, procure, and work with established green contractors to oversee project implementation. Program participants will receive a stipend for on-the job training up to 20 hours per week for installation work during the summer of 2010. In addition to providing funds for these public capital projects, a smaller pool of funds is earmarked for small grants below \$15,000 that will be administered per the GWD small project grant guidelines, included here as *Attachment B*.

The success of this pilot program will not be evaluated on job-placement as much as it will be evaluated on the success of the participants completing the program and building the designated projects in conjunction with community stakeholders. This accomplishment will be a transformative experience for the participants and the neighborhood. With this experience, the participants will be assisted and offered assistance in taking one of several next steps including continuing a green career education path, entering a pre-apprenticeship program such as Cypress Mandela, obtaining placement with one of the program's green contractors, establishing their own green entrepreneurial initiative, or continuing in another round of the GWD program if funding is available.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: With completed green projects and contributing to the educational development of the workforce, the GWD program will help directly and indirectly catalyze economic development and investment in the Coliseum Redevelopment Area and will spur key green-job opportunities. Furthermore, as a pilot project, this program will help attract other capital funding from sources such as the Federal Economic Stimulus package.

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Social Equity: Improving public landscapes and common spaces with area residents will help improve community activity and access to critical neighborhood facilities and open spaces. The project improves quality of life amenities to existing low-income residents and workers.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

All aspects of the program and developed projects will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and all City of Oakland regulations that ensure adequate access for senior citizens and persons with disabilities.

RECOMMENDATION AND RATIONALE

Staff recommends the adoption of the Green Works Development pilot program, with partnership agreements with the Peralta Community College District-Merritt Campus and the Oakland Unified School District-Rudsdale Academy accompanied by allocations of grant funds of \$35,000 for each entity, to provide green career education and training beginning in January 2010 in support for the Green Works Development Program. Staff also recommends allocation of \$130,000 in Agency funds for specific construction and development activities leading to the implementation of green projects in the Coliseum Redevelopment Area.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Staff requests that the City Council approve the proposed resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

Valter S. Cohen, Director

Community and Economic Development Agency

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Prepared by: David Ralston, Urban Economic Analyst III CEDA Redevelopment Division

APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Office of the City/Agency Administrator

Attachments:

- A. Program overview
- B. GWD small project grant guidelines

Attachment A

Coliseum Redevelopment Area Green Works Development (GWD) Pilot Program FY 2009-11

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

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In conjunction with other OGJC partners, this program will augment job-readiness training, ongoing support services, and general green career education with focused green technical skill training and specific on the job training opportunities with identified redevelopment projects enabling trainees to pursue paths in growing green career sectors.

Redevelopment funds will principally go towards capital costs for green infrastructure and on-the job training/construction oversight associated with such projects. The program will also contribute other matching funds to OGJC partners to support the in-take, training and case management of selected project area participant cohorts (up to 40 participants, age 16-24) in order to ensure appropriate preparation for assisting in the installation of green infrastructure.

THE PARTNERS

- The City of Oakland The sponsor of the OGJC, the convener of the OGJC oversight body, source of program seed funding and project manager for the GWD program. The Oakland's Mayor's Office is providing leadership to identify additional resources and funding.
- Peralta Community College District (PCCD) As a premier regional community college, the Oakland campuses at Merritt College is particularly set-up to provide site/landscape/greening-oriented vocational education
- Local Green Construction Training Institution or Local Public Agencies That Offer Such Programs – Such a partner will offer an effective preapprenticeship green construction training program serving young adults with barriers to employment and have strong connections to educational development and to green contractors and construction fields
- Green Workforce Intermediary Organizations Depending on availability of funds, there are well-respected organizations that can serve as case managers for participants and provide the connection between trainees, partner organizations and agencies, and employers. ORA staff and other program partners will fulfill these roles if funding is limited.

THE PROGRAM

The first cycle of the program will train up to 40 young adults and will incorporate five stages: recruitment and pre-training; general green education; green construction skills training; and on the job training with green development and infrastructure contractors; and post-project placement into a green career track.

Stage 1: **Outreach and Recruitment.** This will be a joint effort between Redevelopment staff and OGJC partnerships. May-November 2009.

Stage 2: **General Green Career Education**. For the pilot, this will be led by our PCCD partners through the Landscape and Environmental Management Program at Merritt College ideally set-up with a focus on green site/landscapedesign, installation and management oriented careers. This component will be 1 semester initially and a summer class. Funds will cover costs of program administrative support. Participants will earn community college credit and may work to a certification in environmental management. January-May 2009

Stage 3: **Green Construction Skills Training**. Skills trainings will be done in conjunction with general education described above with support and case management continuing throughout this stage. January-June 2010

Stage 4: **Paid Work Experience/On the Job Training**. A limited pool of oncall green development and infrastructure contractors will be established through an RFP process who will provide orientation trainings that bridge the skills training to identified redevelopment projects and provide direct on the job supervision and management for work-crews in the completion of discrete green infrastructure projects as approved by the Redevelopment staff and agency. Costs for stipends, contract supervision, special trainings/orientations, contractor labor, materials and overhead will be covered through the program. Small projects under \$15,000 may be bid separately per each job and paid by standard agency reimbursement procedures and may or may not include stipends. June-October 2010

Stage 5: **Post-project continuation/placement**. Following successful completion of projects, participants will be connected to one of several placement options (apprenticeship training; continued education; employment with green contractors; green entrepreneurship; continue in another round of program). October-December 2010

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

	KEY COMPONENT & TIME-FRAME	ASPECTS	WORK TASKS	LEAD & TYPE OF PARTNERS
1	Set-Up/ Identify Participants July – November	Area at-risk youth (age 16-24); Tier I - up to 25-40 participants Skilled older workers (age 24-50) Tier II – up to 5 participants	Outreach, advertisement, referrals, In-take	ORA, DHS, OUSD, other partners, Community groups
2	General Green Career Education January –May (and Summer Class on landscape maintenance)	 1-2 semesters of community college-level classes (may be night classes) including: Civic responsibility; Environmental stewardship; green careers, natural resources/urban ecology; environmental issues; sustainability, site design [2-3 classes leading to a certificate upon completion] 	 Curriculum development and administration Green career orientation Counseling and Mentors available Participant and cohort tracking Provide continuing summer class/skills training 	Community College Environmental Program – PCCD-Merritt College
3	General Technical Skills Education December -June	(for tier I participants) 8 concurrent months of hard-skills general education: safety, tools, construction, carpentry, plumbing systems, site design, plan reading (for tier II) 4 months foremanship training	 2 trainings per week (1.5 hr. per session), sessions with up to 15 participants Provide life-skill training orientation and participant tracking Coordinate development of work teams suitable to projects identified. Coordinate placement with on-the job contractors and one-month check- in/supervision 	Experienced green job- construction provider or public agency that is set- up to provide such trainings – OUSD-Rusdale Academy
4	Transition and Project Planning March - July	Work with TAC and community groups to identify suitable projects, begin introducing participants to project background (See potential project list below)	 Lead tours of sites Convene orientations with on-the-job contractors 	ORA Staff/TAC, Green Training Organization
5	Subsidized On the Job- Training/ Project Employment June-October 2010	ORA to select appropriate green public-service contractors for projects (on-call pool)	 Oversee work teams (with work crews 3-5 people) Coordination and delivery of identified projects Assure quality completion of prescribed projects. 	Project Contractors with oversight by Green Training TAC
6	Provide capital "greén incentive" funds for prescribed projects	In addition to set-aside GWD capital funds other ORA capita funds may be utilized to augment projects	 Coordinate the application of redevelopment capital funds for specific green components of identified projects (funds to cover material costs and for design, engineering, permits, environmental review, and applicable portions of sub- contracts and construction management) 	ORA
7	Post-Program Transition	Placement and follow up	Potential funds for continuing participants in a follow up year of program	Green Job-Training partner and ORA staff, DHS

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IDENTIFYING AND IMPLEMENTING PROJECTS

Criteria – installations that are primarily open-space/landscape/site oriented and serve distinct green functions/conservation and that in whole or part contribute to a project or program that itself is identified as a blight-reducing or economic development project within the redevelopment plan. Projects should be public facilities, community facilities (public or non profit that serve as community centers), public landscape or commons, park projects, schools sites, streetscapes or part of neighborhood oriented improvement programs including low-income residential improvement programs.

General Types of projects and types of connected Green Careers

Identification of projects – through community groups and ORA staff per Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area Implementation Plan.

General Type of Projects	Specific Implementation and Skill set	Types of Green Career Paths	Example of Applicable Projects with funding and coming on-line FY 2009- 11
Parks, facilities site amenities, greenways green street s amenities, green public spaces	Trees (planting, pruning, milling), walkways/masonry, creek and wildlife restorations, play areas, bioswales, storm water systems, interpretive signs and educational signage, public spaces seating and walking environments, plazas	Arborist Hydrologist Park Ranger Environmental/Landscape Design/Installer/Planner Carpenter Ecologist	-Tassaforanga -Sobrante Park -Tyrone Carney Park, -Greenman Field -Lion Creek -SL Creek and Riparian Habitat zone -Elmhurst Creek -Edes/Coliseum Way Streetscape -International Blvd. Streetscape -Fruitvale Alive Streetscape -East Bay Greenway - MLK library -District 5 Teen Center
Residential green conservation (advertise program and target low-income residences in project area, coordinate where possible with other rehab programs)	Green roofs, water catchment systems, solar hot water systems, weatherization, gardens, geothermal heating systems, passive solar and green building amenities/ designs	Green Builder Specialist Green Plumbing Systems Architect/Contractor Residential Energy Inspector	Low-income households in project area via application, Community facilities
Neighborhood green infrastructure projects (can be identified via NCPCs, SDS teams or other community groups, coordinate with NPI and CDBG funds where appropriate))	Green commercial tenant spaces and landscaping, community gardens, urban agriculture sites/edible landscaping, neighborhood commons, school yards, remediation projects	Landscape Architect Agro-Ecologist Sustainable Urban Designer Environmental justice advocate/services Geotechnical engineer Bioremediation specialist	e.g. Brookfield Village, Sobrante Park, Jingletown, Elmhurst, Columbia Gardens and neighborhood-serving commercial nodes (98 th and Edes) and schools, head start and community centers etc.

Potential Green Work Projects in Coliseum Redevelopment Area

Funding Project Implementation

The GWD program establishes two options for funding green capital improvements in the Coliseum redevelopment Area.

Projects as part of larger-scale public facility projects (e.g. OPR, Project Delivery, DEC).

Cost estimates for work will be provided through typical redevelopment led cost estimating process. Direct project funds (and/or funds pulled from NPI or other redevelopment sources as appropriate and as approved by redevelopment managers) will be set-up in an identified project if work will be done as sub-contractor under established project contractor (such green sub-contractor would need to be a stipulation in the award of the contract).

Funds will be set up under a different project or account if work is to be a separate contract from main project contract. That is, work will be done in parallel or separately in time and/or space from other associated work but implementation will be part of a master plan for the overall work. ORA staff will utilize on-call green contractors, preapproved, for the construction and delivery of such components and provide oversight through an inter-agency TAC or set-up funds for standards CM oversight by PWA staff. Staff will work with existing community advisory bodies and stakeholders and other agencies to determine suitable projects per program guidelines and goals.

Projects as limited reimbursement grants for small neighborhood or low-income residence green installations (not to exceed \$15k per project).

Funds will be made available on a limited basis as grants to support green projects and paid as reimbursements for actual costs incurred (see small grants guidelines). These grants may be augmented up to \$5,000 by material costs purchased directly through city vendors through standard vendor purchase orders. Work must be done by licensed, insured contractors or owners and per the established guidelines advertised for the program and existing City purchasing and contract procedures.

During the pilot phase, staff will work with existing Project Area advisory bodies and community groups and stakeholders to identify appropriate projects depending on funding availability; scope of project; potential impact for project to involve area green job trainees and/or project area residents; potential impact for project to contribute meaningful green-infrastructure and contribute to the elimination of blight and/or the potential of the project to improve low-income housing in the Coliseum Redevelopment project area.

BUDGET

Funds available: \$200,000 (FY2009-11 Approved ORA Budget)

Item	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11
Gen Ed	\$35,000	
Contract Trainer	\$35,000	
On-Call Contractors (non-material costs)		\$35,000
Capital *May be augmented by other sou	\$15,000	\$35,000*
Grants	\$15,000	\$30,000
Work-Orders		
Outreach	Match	
Post		Match
Totals	\$100,000	\$100,000

Attachment B

2009 Coliseum Area Green Works Development Program Small Projects Grants Pilot Program Overview

<u>Summary</u>

The Green Works Development Program (GWD) for the Coliseum Redevelopment Area is intended to further blight reduction and neighborhood improvement efforts through the limited funding (as part of 2-year pilot program) of small-scale, community-initiated public/private improvement and green infrastructure projects that currently have no other funding source. The program will complement existing programs and Redevelopment Agency projects where a community need is present, and support the on-going efforts of the Redevelopment Neighborhood Project Initiative (NPI), Service Delivery System (SDS) teams, redevelopment communities, redevelopment project area advisory committees, redevelopment project area committees (PACs), and sub-committees to abate blight and create more livable communities.

Administration

The GWD has been designed to be administered as a pilot program through the staff of the Coliseum Redevelopment Area. Projects must show that they are eligible for funding under redevelopment law, as well as meet the goals of the Coliseum Area Redevelopment Plan. Redevelopment staff will determine the prioritization of projects, oversee successful project implementation, conduct follow-up reviews, and issue funds upon project completion.

Eligible Projects (limited by funds available and program grant allowances)

- 1. Low-income Residence Green Conservation Improvements : Projects of this type can be physical improvements such as grey water systems, water-catchment installations, weatherization improvements, green roofs, solar hot water systems, passive solar and green building amenities/design, new windows, and other energy efficiency or conservation upgrades that are part of an effort to improve the conditions and livability of the residence and its occupants.
- 2. **Neighborhood Green Infrastructure and Corridor Beautification:** Projects designed to improve the appearance of neighborhoods and neighborhood-serving corridors. These could include physical improvements, such as the installation of landscaping, trees, community gardens, urban agriculture sites/edible landscaping, neighborhood commons, school yards, remediation projects, one-time community cleanup projects, repair or replacement of infrastructure (trash receptacles, park benches, walkways), and installing signs along public trails and environmental interpretive way-finding elements. Projects may also include funds for green infrastructure upgrades for neighborhood-serving commercial tenant spaces and storefronts.
- 3. **Community Facility Upgrades:** Privately or publically-funded development sites may use GWD pilot funds to upgrade community facilities that are integrated with the development project. Trees (planting, pruning, milling), walkways/masonry, creek and wildlife restorations, play areas, bioswales, storm water systems, interpretive signs and educational signage, public spaces seating and walking environments, plazas

(Physical improvements that do not fall into at least one of the above categories may be deemed eligible by project staff on a case-by-case basis)

Ineligible Projects

- 1. Ongoing and/or continuing maintenance services.
- 2. Projects deemed inappropriate or ineligible by redevelopment staff or legal counsel.
- 3. Non-fee services that are currently being provided by the City or the Agency.
- 4. Projects located outside the funding redevelopment project area.
- 5. Payment or reimbursement for City staff time is not eligible.

Location

A GWD project needs to be within the adopted Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area boundaries as approved by the Redevelopment Agency. A GWD project must be consistent with the funding categories of the FY 2009-11 Coliseum Redevelopment Budget and the Five-year Implementation Plan.

Financial Contribution

- Eligible projects are a one-time cost (as on-going maintenance may not be paid for through redevelopment funds).
- The total cost of any project may not exceed \$15,000. Additional phases of work may be submitted under a separate application but not within the same fiscal year.
- Contributions may include program funds for hard costs only including labor and overhead for construction (payment or reimbursement for City staff time is not eligible).
- Applicant invoices will be paid once work (or phased work) is completed and approved by the Redevelopment Agency staff. In addition, payments of invoiced products or work will follow established City of Oakland Purchasing and Contracting Guidelines.

Who May Submit Proposals

Both individuals and organizations are welcome to submit project proposals. Project proposals submitted by individuals will be reviewed at the discretion of Coliseum Redevelopment staff. Organizations (e.g., neighborhood and community-based organizations, merchant associations, Neighborhood Crime Prevention Councils) submitting proposals must provide evidence that the proposal received majority vote from the organization's membership prior to submittal.

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REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

AN AGENCY RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FY 2009-11 GREEN WORKS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN THE COLISEUM REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA; AUTHORIZING A GRANT TO THE PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000 TO PROVIDE GREEN EDUCATION AT MERRITT COLLEGE FOR PROJECT AREA PARTICIPANTS; AUTHORIZING A GRANT TO THE OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000 TO PROVIDE GREEN CONSTRUCTION TRAINING AT RUDSDALE ACADEMY; AND ALLOCATING FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,000 FOR THE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland approved Resolution No. 81508 C.M.S. establishing the Oakland Green Job Corps (OGJC) and allocating funds for the initiation of the program through the Peralta Community College District-Laney College Campus; and

WHEREAS, given the broad range of green job opportunities that could potentially connect with on-going redevelopment capital projects and the desire by Oakland's Mayor's Office to create connections between the Redevelopment Agency and the further development of the OGJC, redevelopment staff proposed a pilot green job program for the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area entitled the Green Works Development Program that would connect job-training to specific greening projects in the Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency approved Resolution No. 2009-0072 C.M.S. adopting the FY 2009-11 Redevelopment Agency Budget including a line item and program description for the Coliseum Area Green Works Development Program and allocating \$200,000 for this pilot program (Fund: 9450, Org.: 88659, Project: T365210); and

WHEREAS, based on the Program components established in the initial OGJC partnership, redevelopment staff sought out partnerships with the Peralta Community College District-Merritt College Campus and the Oakland Unified School District-Rudsdale Academy as the most appropriate and qualified agencies that could provide green career education and green construction/job skills training suited for the application of the Green Works Development program for East Oakland young adults in the Coliseum Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the partnership agreements are based on grant funds in the amount of \$35,000 being allocated to the Peralta Community College District-Merritt College Campus Landscape and Environmental Management Program and grant funds in the amount of \$35,000 being allocated to the Oakland Unified School District-Rudsdale Academy to match in-kind contributions by these partners and to cover costs associated with green education and construction skill training; and

WHEREAS, the Green Works Development Program is set to commence in January of 2010 with five months of concurrent green education and green construction skills training components; and

WHEREAS, after completing the education and training components, the green job cohort of up to 40 young adults will be placed in summer on-the-job training internships assisting in the construction and implementation of identified green capital projects as part of on-going Coliseum Area redevelopment activities; and

WHEREAS, the Coliseum Redevelopment Area will program the remaining project funds up to \$130,000 for capital and contractor costs associated with the installation of identified green capital projects; and

WHEREAS, third party grants in amounts up to \$15,000 will be administered per the Green Works Development Project Guidelines and any professional service contracts for projects will be brought forward for separate approval by the Redevelopment Agency at the time those projects are identified and evaluated; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Redevelopment Agency hereby adopts the FY 2009-11 Green Works Development Program for the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Redevelopment Agency hereby authorizes a grant to the Peralta Community College District in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 to carry-out green career education through the Merritt College Campus-Landscape and Environmental Management Program as part of a partnership in the Coliseum Green Works Development Program, and a grant to the Oakland Unified School District in the amount not to exceed \$35,000 to carry-out green construction skills training at Rudsdale Academy as part of a partnership in the Coliseum Green Works Development of a partnership in the Coliseum Green Works Development Program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Agency hereby allocates \$35,000 for each of these grants from Coliseum Operations Fund (9450), Coliseum Redevelopment Organization (88659), Green Works Development Program Project (T365210); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Agency Administrator, or his or her designee, is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute contracts and take all other actions necessary with respect to the Coliseum Green Works Development Program in accordance with this Resolution and its basic purposes.

IN AGENCY, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, AND CHAIRPERSON BRUNNER

NOES -

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ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS Secretary of the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Oakland, California