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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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M. Mowdon
City Attorney

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA OF THE BAY AREA (VOABA) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,065,000 FROM MAY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013 TO PROVIDE A TRANSITIONAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM FOR OAKLAND RESIDENTS ON PAROLE MODELED AFTER THE CENTER FOR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES (CEO) BEST PRACTICE

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland as part of its overall violence prevention strategy, has supported transitional reentry employment as a key element under its Measure Y initiative; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland, is home to an estimated 3,000 individuals on state parole who frequently have substantial employment barriers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland through Measure Y, currently funds a work crew transitional employment program for individuals on probation and parole and has found the strategy to be successful; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland is interested in replicating best practices from around the nation including New York's Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO) transitional employment program which served as a model for the Measure Y work crew program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland has negotiated a public entity contract with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to implement a transitional employment program for individuals on parole providing litter abatement and other maintenance services on CalTrans rights-of-way in the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the public entity contract with CDCR is in an estimated amount of \$2,350,000 and extends from January 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013, of this amount the City will retain approximately \$285,000 to provide project management and the remaining funds of \$2,065,000, are available for the grantee; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland, Department of Human Services (DHS) conducted a Request for Proposal process, in keeping with CDCR's regulations, to identify an appropriate community provider to manage and implement the transitional jobs program based on the CEO model; and

WHEREAS, a review panel of experts in the field of reentry employment and project partners determined that Volunteers of America of the Bay Area submitted a proposal that best met the qualifications and was ranked the highest; and

WHEREAS, Volunteers of America of the Bay Area has extensive experience running a crew based program and in working with individuals on parole and is a current Measure Y grantee for the City in good standing; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services wishes to enter into a grant agreement to run this transitional employment program from May 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013 in an estimated amount of \$2,065,000 to provide 200-250 individuals with transitional jobs, job placement and job retention services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Volunteers of America of the East Bay to run this transitional employment program from May 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013 in an estimated amount of \$2,065,000 to provide 200-250 individuals with transitional jobs, job placement and job retention; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That funds for this grant agreement with Volunteers of America of the Bay Area are available from the Department of Human Services Fund (2128), DHS Administration Organization (78111), Project to be determined, and Fostering Safe and Healthy Communities Program (SC22); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to accept and appropriate any additional funding related to this contract that may become available without returning to City Council; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, modifications, payment requests and related actions which may be necessary in accordance with its basic purpose; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said grant agreement shall be approved as to form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF and PRESIDENT REID

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California