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REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE CITY OF OAKLAND

AGENDA REPORT

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TO: Office of the City Administrator
ATTN: Dan Lindheim
FROM: Community and Economic Development Agency
DATE: April 27, 2010

RE: **A Report and 1) An Agency Resolution Allocating Funding In An Amount Not To Exceed \$180,000 Under The Coliseum Neighborhood Project Initiative Program (NPI) For Various Improvement Projects, And Authorizing A Contribution of \$74,000 In Such Funds To The City Under The Cooperation Agreement For Two City-Sponsored Park Projects; And 2) A City Resolution Accepting and Appropriating Redevelopment Agency Funds Under The Cooperation Agreement In An Amount Not To Exceed \$74,000 For Two City-Sponsored Park Projects Under The Coliseum Neighborhood Project Initiative Program (NPI)**

SUMMARY

Community and Economic Development Agency (CEDA) staff seeks City and Agency approval to fund community-sponsored and City-sponsored improvements from Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area funds under the Coliseum Neighborhood Project Initiative (NPI) Program, and Agency authorization to execute grant contracts for various community-sponsored improvement projects under the NPI.

The NPI Program was created to support the existing network of community-based and merchant organizations in funding neighborhood infrastructure improvement projects located within the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area that eliminate blight, are beneficial to the community, and currently have no other funding source.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Coliseum Redevelopment Area will allocate \$180,000 of funds budgeted for the NPI in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Proposed Redevelopment Agency Budget. The NPI will be funded from Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Coliseum Redevelopment Operations Fund (9450), Coliseum Redevelopment Organization (88659), Miscellaneous Services Account (53719), Undetermined Project (000000). Funds in the amount of \$74,000 from the NPI will be transferred to the City (Entity 1), Oakland Redevelopment Agency Projects Fund (7780), projects to be determined, to process payments for NPI projects.

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Staff has selected a total of eight projects to recommend for this round of the NPI. Six of the eight projects are community-sponsored projects, and the remaining two are City-sponsored projects. Community-sponsored projects are managed by community groups through grant contracts with the Redevelopment Agency. City-sponsored projects are managed by City staff and paid for through fund transfers between the Redevelopment Agency and the City of Oakland. All eight projects require Agency and City Council approval prior to execution of City interdepartmental and grant contracts. The total proposed NPI contribution for these eight projects is \$180,000, and all proposed projects are described in *Attachment A*.

BACKGROUND

On July 19, 2005, the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Oakland established the NPI Program through Agency Resolution No. 2005-0044 C.M.S. The NPI Program was created to support the existing network of community-based and merchant organizations in funding neighborhood infrastructure improvement projects located within the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area that are beneficial to the community, within the public domain, and currently have no other funding source. As is consistent with California Redevelopment Law, the NPI Program is designed to help fund community projects that fall within at least one of the following categories:

- Blight reduction
- Crime deterrent
- Neighborhood beautification
- Corridor beautification
- Establishment of community identity
- Community facility upgrade
- Site enhancement

In addition, each project proposal was reviewed by staff, and was determined to be eligible by the City Attorney's Office. Projects were required to show that they were eligible for funding under redevelopment law, and met the goals of the Coliseum Area Redevelopment Plan.

The total \$180,000 in FY 2009-2010 funds allocated to the NPI Program will be divided equally amongst the three Service Delivery System (SDS) areas that overlap with the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area. Therefore, an amount not exceeding \$60,000 from the NPI Program may be spent in each participant SDS Area for community projects. NPI funds may be used for hard costs only. On-going maintenance may not be paid for through redevelopment funds.

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KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

Increasing fiscal burdens on the Redevelopment Agency as well as a growing backlog of Coliseum NPI projects have led staff to recommend that the NPI Program be suspended during Fiscal Year 2010-2011.

The Coliseum NPI program began in 2005, and in each year between three to nine projects have been selected. However, several projects from the past three years remain incomplete, as their project timelines have extended beyond the funding allocation cycles. Delays in project completion have resulted from community organizations not having sufficient upfront funding which the NPI Program previously required, large-scale projects that involved review and input from multiple City departments, and the City's lengthy contract processing requirements. The Supplemental Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (SERAF) requirement by the State of California, in addition to decreased tax increment revenue from lower assessed values of properties in the Coliseum Redevelopment Area, have significantly strained the Redevelopment Agency's finances. For all of the aforementioned reasons, staff recommends that NPI be suspended starting in Fiscal Year 2010-2011 until all pending projects from past years are completed.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

All of the proposed projects will help beautify, deter crime, and improve safety conditions in the Coliseum Redevelopment Area. The alleviation of blight by proposed projects under the NPI Program will in turn stimulate commercial and business activity within the Coliseum Redevelopment Area.

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2010 COLISEUM NPI - PROPOSED PROJECTS

SDS Area	Council District	Applicant	Sponsor Type	Amount	PROPOSED PROJECT		
					Type	Location	Description
4	5	Jingletown Arts and Business Community	Community	\$8,000	Art Garden	Peterson St. (btwn Ford and Chapman)	Installation of a 5-Section mixed mosaic mural, hardscaping, plants, railroad tie entrances, and dog waste stations
4	5	The Unity Council	Community	\$24,000	Street Banners	International Blvd. btwn 29th and 42th Ave., and Avenida De La Fuente between Intl. Blvd. and E. 12th Street	Design and installation of approx. 100 street banners on both sides of the street
4	5	LBC Associates	Community	\$28,000	Mural Project	1446 High St.(at International Blvd.)	Paint a mural on a wall vandalized with graffiti.
5	6	Office of Council District 6	City	\$54,000	General Tenant Improvements	5800 International Blvd.	Tenant-improvements likely consisting of new windows other basic improvements
5	6	Keep Oakland Beautiful	Community	\$6,000	Corridor Beautification	International Blvd. from 67th to 72nd.	Plant trees, litter removal, install a litter-awareness billboard, and bus stop advertisements.
6	7	Allen Temple Housing	Community	\$20,000	Beautification and Identity Building	International Blvd. 73rd to San Leandro border)	Repainting electrical poles, neighborhood banners
6	7	East Oakland Boxing Association	Community	\$20,000	Corridor Beautification and Community Center Upgrades	816 98th Ave. (near San Leandro Blvd).	Paint Community center walls and gym, tree planting along 98th, increased noise abatement, banners, marquee
6	7	Sobrante Park Homes Improvement Association and City of Oakland Department of Engineering and Project Delivery	City	\$20,000	Landscape work consisting of	470 El Paseo Drive	Landscape work that includes an irrigation system and sod installation
TOTAL NPI CONTRIBUTIONS FY 2009-2010				\$180,000			
Total Community-Sponsored Projects				\$106,000			
Total City-Sponsored Projects				\$74,000			

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: The alleviation of blight by proposed projects under the NPI Program will in turn stimulate commercial and business activity within the Coliseum Redevelopment Area.

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Environmental: All of the proposed projects will help beautify, deter crime, and improve safety conditions in the Coliseum Redevelopment Area.

Social Equity: All of the proposed projects will provide positive stimulus to the local neighborhoods within the Coliseum Redevelopment Area. These community improvements will be a welcome contribution to the continued safety, growth, and stability of the neighborhoods.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

Those proposed NPI projects that relate to beautification will make the area more enjoyable to all segments of the population including the disabled and senior citizen populations. The landscape improvements to Sobrante Park will contribute to the development of a beautiful park that may appeal to seniors in particular.

RECOMMENDATION(S) AND RATIONALE

The adoption of the Coliseum Neighborhood Project Initiative Program preserves legal consistency with California Redevelopment Law in that the use of redevelopment funds on public properties and/or for publicly-owned equipment requires a finding of public benefit and blight elimination by the Agency and City Council.

The implementation of the attached public projects under the NPI Program would fulfill the over-arching goal of the NPI program of funding small-scale neighborhood infrastructure improvement projects that are beneficial to the community, and currently have no other public funding source.

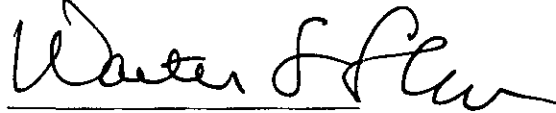
ACTION REQUESTED OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND CITY COUNCIL

The Redevelopment Agency and City Council are asked to accept this report and adopt the Agency resolutions allocating funds in an amount not to exceed \$180,000 under the Coliseum Redevelopment Neighborhood Project Initiative Program for (1) an art garden beautification project at Peterson Street between Ford Street and Chapman Street, (2) a street banners beautification project along International Boulevard in the Fruitvale District, (3) a mural beautification project at 1446 High Street, (4) improvements to Rainbow Recreation Center at 5800 International Boulevard, (5) a corridor beautification project along International Boulevard from 67th Avenue to 72nd Avenue, (6) a street banners and light pole painting beautification project along International Boulevard in the Elmhurst District, (7) interior and exterior improvements to the East Oakland Boxing Association Community Center at 816 98th Avenue,

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and (8) landscaping improvements to Sobrante Park, authorize a contribution of Agency funds in an amount not to exceed \$74,000 to the City under the Cooperation Agreement for the Rainbow Recreation Center improvements and Sobrante Park landscaping improvements, and authorize grant agreements with (1) the Jingletown Arts and Business Community (2) The Unity Council (3) LBC Associates (4) Keep Oakland Beautiful (5) Allen Temple Housing and (6) East Oakland Boxing Association altogether totaling the amount of \$106,000 for community-sponsored NPI projects.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE


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Attachment A: Proposed FY 2009-2010 Projects Under NPI

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ATTACHMENT A

Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area Neighborhood Project Initiative (NPI) FY 2009-2010

PROPOSED PUBLIC PROJECTS

(1) Jingletown Art Garden (SDS Area 4)

Council District: 5

Sponsor: Jingletown Arts and Business Community

Amount Recommended: \$8,000

Location: Peterson St. (between Ford and Chapman)

Description: Installation of 5-section mixed mosaic mural, hardscaping, plants, railroad tie entrances, and dog waste stations

Project Benefits and Blight Elimination:

The entire block on Peterson Street between Chapman St. and Ford St. in Jingletown has deteriorated into an eyesore and safety concern for local residents. The strip has become the site of a weed patch that is being utilized as an illegal dump site. Unwanted mattresses, building materials, dead animals, and debris are often dumped at this location. Two abandoned cars have been torched at this site in the past eight months. Local gangs consistently graffiti and tag the walls, and because the weeds are overgrown, pet owners do not clean up after their dogs. This beautification project would create a safe and picturesque place for children, families, and local residents to walk past and/or bring their pets. The block will no longer be an available dumpsite or encampment, or a tagging ground for local gangs. The owner of the wall has fully consented to the idea of a painted mural.

(2) Fruitvale Street Banners Beautification (SDS Area 4)

Council District: 5

Sponsor: Unity Council

Amount Recommended: \$24,000

Location: International Blvd. between 29th Ave. and 42nd Ave., and Avenida De La Fuente between International Blvd. and East 12th Street.

Description: Design and installation of approximately 100 street banners on both sides of the street that will help beautify the Fruitvale neighborhood while also providing snippets of information that will give pedestrians historical facts about the Fruitvale District.

Project Benefits and Blight Elimination:

Many of these Fruitvale corridors are fraught with illegal dumping, mattresses in front yards, trash littering, graffiti, and illegal vendors from the Sunday market who leave empty boxes. The installation of new banners will beautify the area aesthetically while also giving residents of the area a sense of pride and identity.

(3) High Street Mural Project

Council District: 5

Sponsor: LBC Associates

Amount Recommended: \$28,000

Location: 1446 High Street (at International Blvd)

Description: Large-scale mural painting on a private wall at 1446 High St. (at International Blvd.).

Project Benefits and Blight Elimination:

This privately-owned wall repeatedly suffers from graffiti and prostitution is often present in the area. An artistic mural would help deter further graffiti and instill a sense of pride in the area. The owner of the wall has fully consented to the project idea.

(4) Rainbow Recreation Center Improvements

Council District: 6

Sponsor: Office of Council District 6

Amount Recommended: \$54,000

Location: 5800 International Blvd.

Description: Interior building tenant improvements that will likely include the installation of new windows and other basic modifications.

Project Benefits and Blight Elimination:

Rainbow Recreation Center is in dire need of renovation upgrades. It is currently operating under subpar conditions and is unsafe for the kids who use it. Upon renovation, this facility will offer local youth a place to learn and safely interact.

(5) International Boulevard Beautification Project

Council District: 6

Sponsor: Keep Oakland Beautiful

Amount Recommended: \$6,000

Location: International Blvd. from 67th to 72nd.

Description: This project would beautify six blocks of International Boulevard through the planting of trees, litter removal, installation of a litter-awareness billboard, and bus stop advertisements.

Project Benefits and Blight Elimination:

International Blvd. is one of the main thoroughfares that runs through East Oakland and it has experienced a great deal of illegal dumping, graffiti, littering, and other causes of blight. This beautification project would help clean up this major corridor and improve both the residential and business communities currently there.

(6) Elmhurst Banners and Identity-Building Project

Council District: 7

Sponsor: Allen Temple Housing & Economic Development Corporation

Amount Recommended: \$20,000

Location: 73rd to San Leandro Border – Elmhurst District

Description: Uniform painting of light poles and installation of banners that would promote the history and identity of the Elmhurst neighborhood.

Project Benefits and Blight Elimination:

The light poles in the Elmhurst District are often tagged with graffiti. Repainting the poles with graffiti-resistant coating may reduce physical blight that plagues the neighborhood. Banners would further help to instill a sense of community and identity in the Elmhurst neighborhood.

(7) EOBA Community Center and Corridor Upgrades

Council District: 7

Sponsor: East Oakland Boxing Association (EOBA)

Amount Recommended: \$20,000

Location: 816 98th Ave (at San Leandro St.)

Description: Some of the recommended improvements to this philanthropic youth center include painting the community center walls and gym, tree planting along 98th Ave., installing EOBA-inspired banners, and a marquee announcing community center events.

Project Benefits and Blight Elimination:

EOBA is a free, year-round youth development organization that has focused on facilitating success in schools through hands-on academic and enrichment programs. EOBA operates out of converted industrial warehouse facilities near 98th Ave. and San Leandro Street that the organization leases from the City of Oakland in exchange for the free services it offers to the community. While the location is accessible to major public transit and within walking distance of nine Oakland USD schools, the facilities are in need of interior and exterior improvements. Some of the recommended improvements include painting the community center walls and gym, tree planting along 98th Ave., installing EOBA-inspired banners, and a marquee announcing community center events.

(8) Sobrante Park Landscape Improvements

Council District: 7

Sponsor: Sobrante Park Homes Improvement Association and City of Oakland
Department of Engineering and Project Delivery

Amount Recommended: \$20,000

Location: 470 El Paseo Drive


Description: Landscape work consisting of site, grade, irrigation, prepare for new sod installation system, and new site amenities.

Project Benefits and Blight Elimination:

Despite the fact that this neighborhood park is filled with weeds and dead shrubbery, Sobrante Park has seen an increase in usage fueled by residents' desire to increase physical exercise. Landscaping improvements and a new irrigation system will provide green grass for children to play on and a place for adults to gather and even plan outdoor community events.

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REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
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Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

AGENCY RESOLUTION ALLOCATING FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$180,000 UNDER THE COLISEUM REDEVELOPMENT NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT INITIATIVE (NPI) PROGRAM FOR (1) ART GARDEN BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT AT PETERSON STREET BETWEEN FORD STREET AND CHAPMAN STREET (2) STREET BANNERS BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT ALONG INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD IN THE FRUITVALE DISTRICT (3) MURAL BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT AT 1446 HIGH STREET (4) IMPROVEMENTS TO RAINBOW RECREATION CENTER AT 5800 INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD (5) CORRIDOR BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT ALONG INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD FROM 67TH AVENUE TO 72ND AVENUE (6) STREET BANNERS AND LIGHTPOLE PAINTING BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT ALONG INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD IN THE ELMHURST DISTRICT (7) INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EAST OAKLAND BOXING COMMUNITY CENTER AT 816 98TH AVENUE; AND (8) LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS TO SOBRANTE PARK, AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRIBUTION OF AGENCY FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$74,000 TO THE CITY UNDER THE COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR THE RAINBOW RECREATION CENTER AND SOBRANTE PARK IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency adopted the Coliseum Redevelopment Neighborhood Project Initiative ("NPI") program on July 19, 2005 by Resolution No. 2005-0044 C.M.S. to assist in addressing general blight conditions within the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area, and allocated \$180,000 as the Agency budget authorization for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 for the program; and

WHEREAS, Coliseum Redevelopment staff reviewed all applications to the NPI program and made recommendations for funding under the program; and

WHEREAS, under the NPI program guidelines, all improvements proposed to be funded by the program must be submitted to the Agency for review and approval; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland and the Redevelopment Agency entered into a Cooperation Agreement on July 1, 2004, which generally governs the provision of assistance; and the payment of funds between the two agencies, including Redevelopment Agency financial contributions and other assistance to support City-sponsored improvements; and

WHEREAS, Section 33445 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes a redevelopment agency to pay for the installation cost or construction of publicly-owned facilities, if the legislative body has consented to such funding and has made certain findings; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is consenting to the use of Agency funding for the improvements to City-owned property under the NPI program pursuant to Section 33445 of the California Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, Redevelopment staff recommends that \$180,000 of NPI program funds be allocated for the following improvements:

- Art garden beautification project at Peterson Street between Ford Street and Chapman Street (\$8,000)
- Street banners beautification project along International Boulevard in the Fruitvale District (\$24,000)
- Mural beautification project at 1446 High Street (\$28,000)
- Improvements to Rainbow Recreation Center at 5800 International Boulevard (\$54,000)
- Corridor beautification project along International Boulevard from 67th Avenue to 72nd Avenue (\$6,000)
- Street banners and light pole painting beautification project along International Boulevard in the Elmhurst District (\$20,000)
- Interior and exterior improvements to the East Oakland Boxing Association Community Center at 816 98th Avenue (\$20,000)
- Landscaping improvements to Sobrante Park at 470 El Paseo Drive (\$20,000); and

WHEREAS, funding for the improvements identified above will be transferred from Coliseum Operations Fund (9450), Coliseum Redevelopment Organization (88659), Miscellaneous Services Account (53719), Undetermined Project (000000) to projects to be determined; and

WHEREAS, the Agency Administrator requests authorization to make all required expenditures and enter into grant agreements with the project sponsors to implement all the improvements funded by the NPI Program within the project budgets without returning to the Agency for further approval; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Redevelopment Agency hereby adopts the recommendations from Redevelopment staff for funding allocations under the Coliseum NPI program and

authorizes funding for those projects identified above in an amount not to exceed \$180,000; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Agency hereby authorizes a contribution of \$74,000 in Redevelopment Agency funding from Coliseum Operations Fund (9450), Coliseum Redevelopment Organization (88659), Miscellaneous Services Account (53719), Undetermined Projects (000000) to the City under the Cooperation Agreement for the improvements to the Rainbow Recreation Center and landscaping improvements to Sobrante Park to Oakland Redevelopment Agency Project Fund (7780) in a project to be established; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Agency hereby finds and determines as follows:

1. That the funding of improvements to City facilities and public improvements under the NPI Program will benefit the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area by helping to eliminate physical and economic blight within the Project Area for the reasons set forth in the staff report accompanying this Resolution;
2. That due to the fiscal constraints on the City's general fund and the high number of capital projects and public safety projects competing for limited City funds, neither the City's Capital Improvement Program budget nor other City funds are available to provide financing for the City facilities and public improvements authorized for funding under the Coliseum NPI program, and therefore no other reasonable means of financing these projects is available to the City other than Redevelopment Agency funding;
3. That the use of tax increment funds from the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area for the above projects is consistent with the implementation plan adopted for the Coliseum Redevelopment Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Agency Administrator is authorized to negotiate and execute grant agreements with (1) the Jingletown Arts and Business Community, (2) The Unity Council, (3) LBC Associates, (4) Keep Oakland Beautiful, (5) Allen Temple Housing, and (6) East Oakland Boxing Association, or their affiliates, for the above improvement projects; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Agency Administrator or his designee is authorized to take any other action with respect to the above projects and the NPI Program consistent with this Resolution and its basic purpose.

IN AGENCY, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2010

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

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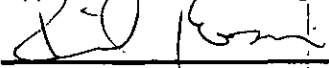
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LATONDA SIMMONS
Secretary of the Redevelopment Agency
of the City of Oakland, California

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FUNDS UNDER THE COOPERATION AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$74,000 FOR (1) IMPROVEMENTS TO THE RAINBOW RECREATION CENTER AT 5800 INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD, AND (2) LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS TO SOBRANTE PARK AT 470 EL PASEO DRIVE WITHIN THE COLISEUM REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA UNDER THE NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT INITIATIVE (NPI) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency adopted the Coliseum Redevelopment Neighborhood Project Initiative ("NPI") Program on July 19, 2005 (Resolution No. 2005-0044 C.M.S.) to assist in addressing general blight conditions within the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area; and

WHEREAS, all projects proposed to be funded by the program have been submitted to the Agency for review and approval; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland and the Redevelopment Agency entered into a Cooperation Agreement on July 1, 2004, which generally governs the provision of assistance and the payment of funds between the two agencies, including Redevelopment Agency financial contributions and other assistance to support City public improvements; and

WHEREAS, Section 33445 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes a redevelopment agency to pay for the cost of installation or construction of publicly-owned facilities, if the legislative body has consented to such funding and has made certain findings; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency has authorized \$180,000 of NPI Program funds for improvements to public and non-public facilities, including \$74,000 for two City-sponsored projects and other funds for improvements to City public improvements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby consents to Redevelopment Agency funding

of improvements to City facilities and public improvements in the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area under the NPI program, and accepts a contribution of \$74,000 in Redevelopment Agency funds under the Cooperation Agreement for the City-sponsored projects below and appropriates such funds to the City repayment account in Oakland Redevelopment Agency Projects Fund (7780), in projects to be established for the following:

- \$54,000 for improvements to the Rainbow Recreation Center located at 5800 International Boulevard;
- \$20,000 for landscaping improvements to Sobrante Park located at 470 El Paseo Drive; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby finds and determines as follows:

1. That the funding of improvements to City facilities and public improvements under the NPI Program will benefit the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area by helping to eliminate physical and economic blight within the Project Area for the reasons set forth in the staff report accompanying this Resolution;
2. That due to the fiscal constraints on the City's general fund and the high number of *capital projects and public safety projects competing for limited City funds*, neither the City's Capital Improvement Program budget nor other City funds are available to provide financing for the City facilities and public improvements authorized for funding under the Coliseum NPI program, and therefore no other reasonable means of financing these projects is available to the City other than Redevelopment Agency funding;
3. That the use of tax increment funds from the Coliseum Redevelopment Project Area for the above projects is consistent with the implementation plan adopted for the Coliseum Redevelopment Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator or his designee is authorized to take any other action with respect to the above projects and the NPI Program consistent with this Resolution and its basic purpose.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2010

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

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