REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND Resolution 10 04 - 01 c.m.s.

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RESOLUTION WAIVIING "CONFLICT OF INTEREST" OF LAW FIRM OF COX, CASTLE AND NICHOLSON, AND PERMITTING THE FIRM TO REPRESENT MacARTHUR BOULEVARD ASSOCIATES REGARDING THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE FOOTHILL SQUARE PLAZA IN THE CENTRAL CITY EAST REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

- **WHEREAS**, Robert Doty, a partner in the law firm of Cox, Castle & Nicholson (the "Firm"), represents the Redevelopment Agency as outside counsel in toxics and environmental matters; and
- WHEREAS, MacArthur Boulevard Associates ("MBA") plans to redevelop the Foothill Square Plaza ("Plaza") located in the Central City East Redevelopment Project Area; and
- WHEREAS, MBA wants the Firm to represent it in matters regarding the development of the Plaza that may include negotiating with the Agency; and
- **WHEREAS**, because Mr. Doty represent the Agency, the Firm's representation of MBA potentially raises a conflict of interest; and
- **WHEREAS**, Mr. Doty would not represent MBA regarding redevelopment of the Plaza; other attorneys in the Firm would represent MBA; and
- WHEREAS, MBA desires to engage the Firm because it is experienced in redevelopment law; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Firm's representation of MBA could facilitate redevelopment of the Plaza and help eradicate blight in the Project Area; now, therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED**: That the Agency waives the Firm's conflict of interest and allow the Firm to represent MBA regarding the redevelopment of the Plaza; and be it
- **FURTHER RESOLVED**: That, by waiving the conflict of interest, the Agency is not in any way committing itself to negotiate with or provide assistance to MBA regarding redevelopment of the Plaza.

IN AGENCY, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, <u>JANUARY 6, 2004</u>

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES-

BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, WAN, AND

CHAIRPERSON DE LA FUENTE BRUNNER,

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

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SECRETARY OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND