

RESOLUTION NO. 131-2010

Adopted November 2, 2010

**AUTHORIZING A LETTER AGREEMENT WITH THE OFFICE OF
ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE
CONSTRUCTION WORKFORCE LOCAL HIRE SERVICES FOR A TERM OF
ONE YEAR IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$109,330, WITH TWO
1-YEAR EXTENSION OPTIONS, EXERCISED AT THE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION AND SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATIONS,
FOR A TOTAL AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$327,990;
ALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREAS**

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

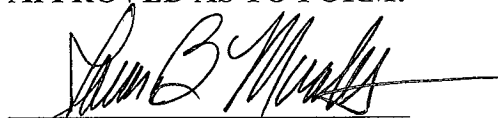
1. The Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco (the "Agency") is implementing various redevelopment plans and programs in the City and County of San Francisco (the "City") in accordance with the California Community Redevelopment Law, California Health and Safety Code Section 33000 et seq. ("CRL"). One of the purposes of redevelopment is "to expand employment opportunities for jobless, underemployed, and low income persons" in redevelopment project areas. CRL, Section 33071. Furthermore, state law also provides that "[t]o the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training and employment arising from any [public contract] construction work to be performed in connection with any redevelopment project should be given to the lower income residents of the project area." Cal. Public Contract Code, Section 20688.3.
2. On June 2, 2009, the Agency Commission (the "Commission") held a public workshop on a strategy to coordinate efforts between the Office of Economic and Workforce Development ("OEWD") and the Agency to eliminate barriers to employment, improve training and placement services, and streamline reporting. The goal of a new Agency comprehensive workforce development plan is to better coordinate with and leverage the significant resources available from OEWD in order to improve the quality of services and the overall workforce outcomes. The key strategies included in the workforce development plan discussed in June 2009 were as follows: 1) OEWD as a placement partner in Southeast, 2) a Request for Proposals ("RFP") for a panel of Workforce Development Providers, 3) a RFP for Non-Southeast Sector Placement Activities, and 4) Implementation of New Electronic Reporting Systems.
3. On December 15, 2009, the Commission authorized, by Resolution Nos. 151-2009, 152-2009, 153-2009, 154-2009, and 155-2009, a total of \$1,128,710 for the provision of workforce development and placement services in personal services contracts with San Francisco Conservation Corps, Girls 2000 dba Hunters Point Family, with Young Community Developers, Inc., Mission Hiring Hall, Inc., and Goodwill Industries of San Francisco, San Mateo and Marin Counties.

4. On April 20, 2010, the Commission authorized, by Resolution No. 41-2010, an additional \$86,200 for implementation of the new electronic reporting system in an amended and restated personal services contract with Elation Systems. This amendment included funds for a new Training Module that provides Agency staff an efficient monitoring tool to administer the Agency's Job Readiness Initiative and track the progress of clients it serves.
5. The Agency has fully implemented the comprehensive workforce development plan with the exception of OEWD's role as placement partner in the Southeast Sector (Bayview Hunters Point, Hunters Point Shipyard, and Visitation Valley Redevelopment Project Areas). OEWD has been providing limited construction workforce referrals through its CityBuild Program in the Southeast, but has not been able to fully implement this service due to limited capacity. Therefore, staff has included in the Letter Agreement (the "Letter Agreement") \$109,330 annually for a full-time dedicated CityBuild staff position to provide construction workforce referral services to Agency projects in the Southeast Sector.
6. As required under CRL, Section 33678, this Letter Agreement does not authorize the use of funds for paying for City employee services unless those services are directly related to redevelopment purposes, as defined in the CRL.
7. Authorization of the Letter Agreement with OEWD is an Agency administrative activity that will not cause any physical change in the environment and is not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") definition of a project contained in CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5). Implementation activities of the Letter Agreement, including policy development, workforce services, and development of employment opportunities, would not directly have a significant effect on the environment and are exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).
8. Staff recommends authorizing the Letter Agreement with OEWD for construction workforce local hire services in all Redevelopment Project Areas.

RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco that the Executive Director is authorized to enter into a Letter Agreement with the Office of Economic and Workforce Development for a term of one year in an amount not to exceed \$109,330, with two 1-year extension options, exercised at the Executive Director's discretion and subject to appropriations, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$327,990 to provide construction workforce local hire services for redevelopment purposes.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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