

ST. PETERSBURG CITY COUNCIL
Consent Agenda
Meeting of August 6, 2009

TO: The Honorable Jeff Danner, Chair, and Members of City Council

SUBJECT: A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) in the amount of \$598,343 (“Grant”) for the City’s Community Development Block Grant - Recovery (“CDBG-R”) Program and to execute a Grant agreement and all other documents necessary to effectuate acceptance of the Grant, approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$598,343 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the CDBG-R Fund (1017) resulting from these additional revenues; and providing an effective date.

EXPLANATION: The President signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (“ARRA”) into law on February 17, 2009. Congress enacted the ARRA to help persons affected by the current crisis with a clear purpose to stimulate the economy through measures that modernize the Nation’s infrastructure, improve energy efficiency, and expand educational opportunities and access to health care. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) desires that CDBG-R grantees use CDBG-R funds for hard development costs associated with infrastructure activities that provide basic services to residents or activities that promote energy efficiency and conservation through rehabilitation or retrofitting of existing buildings, and put people back to work.

During the May 21, 2009 meeting, Council approved the City’s submission of a Substantial Amendment to the City’s FY 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan to HUD to receive funding for the City’s Community Development Block Grant Recovery (“CDBG-R”) Program. The City was allocated \$598,343 in CDBG-R funding (“Grant”) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”). HUD has requested that recipients of funding shall give priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120-days from the date the funds are made available to the City. In using these funds available in the ARRA for infrastructure investments, recipients shall give preference to activities that can be started and completed expeditiously, including a goal of using at least 50% of the funds for activities that can be initiated no later than 120-days after the date of the enactment of the ARRA. In accordance with the Recovery Act, HUD has imposed a grant period and expenditure deadline of September 30, 2012, to ensure that the use of CDBG-R funds is expedited.

HUD has submitted to the City the Agreement which the City must execute prior to implementing the Program. Administration is requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$598,343 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the CDBG-R Fund (1017) resulting from the Grant to fund the Program.

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends that City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) in the amount of \$598,343 (“Grant”) for the City’s Community Development Block Grant – Recovery (“CDBG-R”) and to execute a Grant agreement and all other documents necessary to effectuate acceptance of the Grant, approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$598,343 from the increase in the unappropriated

balance of the CDBG-R Fund (1017) resulting from these additional revenues; and providing an effective date.


COST/FUNDING/ASSESSMENT INFORMATION:

Revenues of \$598,343 will be received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and will be appropriated in 0821089 NS.Housing Administration, from the increase in the unappropriated fund balance of the CDBG-R Fund (1017) resulting from these additional revenues.

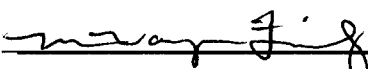
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Resolution No. 2009-_____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (“HUD”) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$598,343 (“GRANT”) FOR THE CITY’S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-RECOVERY (“CDBG-R”) PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE ACCEPTANCE OF THE GRANT, APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$598,343 FROM THE INCREASE IN THE UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE OF THE CDBG-R FUND (1017) RESULTING FROM THESE ADDITIONAL REVENUES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2009 City Council approved the City’s current Community Development Block Grant – Recovery (“CDBG-R”) Program and authorized the Administration to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”); and

WHEREAS, the City has established that it will administer the Community Development Block Grant – Recovery Program; and

WHEREAS, HUD has approved a grant to the City in the amount of \$598,343 (“Grant”) to fund CDBG-R; and

WHEREAS, recipients of funding shall give priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120-days from the date the funds are made available to the City; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with ARRA, HUD has imposed a grant period and expenditure deadline of September 30, 2012, to ensure that the use of CDBG-R funds is expedited; and

WHEREAS, \$598,343 in funding from this program is committed to funding the following:

- Installation of Mast Arms at the intersection of 9th Street South at 18th Ave. and 22nd Ave. at a cost of \$442,000
- Construction and replacement of new sidewalks and curbing in low- and moderate-income areas at a cost of \$96,509
- Administrative Cost to implement the CDBG-R Program at \$59,834

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WHEREAS, acceptance of the Grant and approval of a supplemental appropriation of \$598,343 of the Grant funds is necessary to implement the CDBG-R.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and urban Development ("HUD") in the amount of \$598,343 ("Grant") for the City's Community Development Block Grant – Recovery ("CDBG-R Program and to execute a Grant Agreement and all other documents necessary to effectuate acceptance of the Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby approved from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the Community Development Block Grant – Recovery ("CDBG-R") Fund (1017) resulting from these additional revenues, the following supplemental appropriation:

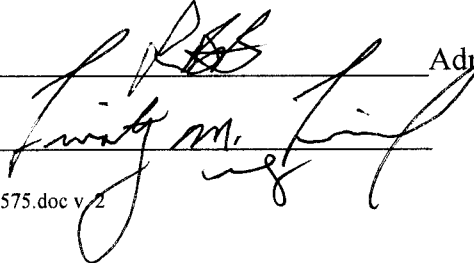
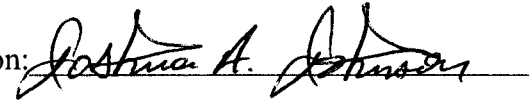
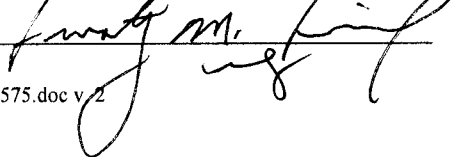
CDBG-R Fund 1017

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This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Approvals:

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Budget: 

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