

City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 17-69 City Council 10/12/2017

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Ashton J. Hayward, III, Mayor

SUBJECT:

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION NO. 17-69 - U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) CLEAN-UP GRANT AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council adopt Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 17-69.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND MAKING REVISIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants.

In December 2016, the City applied for a 2017 Brownfields Cleanup Grant awarded via a competitive process. On May 31, 2017, the City was notified its application was selected as one of the entities EPA would begin negotiations with to award a cooperative agreement for a cleanup grant for Community Maritime Park. On September 14, 2017, EPA mailed a Cooperative Agreement and Notice of Award to the City. The project period is October 01, 2017 through September 30, 2020.

EPA's Clean-Up grant program will provide \$200,000 over a three year period in direct funding for the City to support community outreach and activities associated with piling removal or shearing in City-owned submerged land off the Community Maritime Park. The cleanup site is a 35-acre submerged area of Pensacola Bay that historically housed commercial piers, an industrial repair dry dock for commercial ships, and a railroad freight terminal. It contains more than 500 creosote-treated poles.

PRIOR ACTION:

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None

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approval of the supplemental budget resolution will appropriate the grant funds.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

9/25/2017

STAFF CONTACT:

Eric W. Olson, City Administrator Keith Wilkins, Assistant City Administrator Rebecca Ferguson, Economic Policy Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 17-69
- 2) Supplemental Budget Explanation No. 17-69

PRESENTATION: No