

# City of Pensacola

# Memorandum

**File #:** 17-00642 City Council 12/14/2017

# **LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** Ashton J. Hayward, III, Mayor

**SUBJECT:** 

WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL (WFRPC) BROWNFIELDS CLEAN-UP SUBGRANT AGREEMENT

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That City Council authorize the Mayor to take all actions necessary related to the finalization and execution of West Florida Regional Planning Council's Grant Agreement as a sub-grantee in the amount of \$250,000 to remove hazardous substances and petroleum contaminants at Community Maritime Park. Further, that City Council approve the supplemental budget resolution appropriating the grant funds.

**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 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 clean up and revitalize brownfield sites. Under this law, the United States Environmental Protection Agency provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants.

In 2017, the City applied for West Florida Regional Planning Council's EPA Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Cleanup Program as a sub-grantee. The City received a sub-grant award letter on October 13, 2017 from WFRPC in the amount of \$250,000 through this program. The award leverages funding from the City's existing \$200,000 EPA Brownfields Clean-up Grant received in 2017 and supplements funding for cleanup activities in City-owned submerged land to the south of Maritime Park. The sub-grant period is through September 30, 2018 with one renewal option not to exceed an additional 12 months. The clean-up 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.

### **PRIOR ACTION:**

October 12, 2017 - City Council authorized the acceptance of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Grant Agreement in the amount of \$200,000 to clean up hazardous substances and petroleum contaminants at the

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Community Maritime Park.

October 12, 2017 - City Council adopted Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 17-69 appropriating \$200,000 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Grant.

#### **FUNDING:**

Budget:	\$ 200,000	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Grant	
	40,000	Required City Match (20%)	
	250,000 \$ 490,000	West Florida Regional Planning Council Grant	
Actual:	\$ 486,800 3,200 \$ 400,000	Contractual Services (Estimate) Miscellaneous	
	\$ 490,000		

# **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

City Council appropriated \$200,000 on October 12, 2017 for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Grant. Approval of the supplemental budget resolution will appropriate the \$250,000 West Florida Regional Planning Council Grant funds.

### **CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW:** Yes

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## **STAFF CONTACT:**

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

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) WFRPC Brownfields RLF Award Letter dated October 13, 2017
- 2) EPA Assistance Amendment to WFRPC September 13, 2017
- 3) Supplemental Budget Resolution
- 4) Supplemental Budget Explanation

**PRESENTATION:** No