SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA





FROM: Redevelopment Agency

June 3, 2010

SUBJECT: RDA Resolution No. 2010-027 Authorizing the Submittal of an Application for the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Directors:

- 1. Adopt RDA Resolution No. 2010-027 authorizing the submission of an application to the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development ("HCD") for the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program;
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute the application and all other subsequent and necessary documents needed to complete the application as required by HCD for the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program; and

(Continued) Robert Field **Executive Director Current F.Y. Total Cost:** In Current Year Budget: \$0 N/A FINANCIAL **Budget Adjustment: Current F.Y. Net County Cost:** \$0 No DATA For Fiscal Year: **Annual Net County Cost:** \$0 09/10 COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA: No SOURCE OF FUNDS: Joe Serna Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 Requires 4/5 Vote C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: **APPROVE**

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

On motion of Director Benoit, seconded by Director Buster and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Buster, Benoit and Ashley

Nays:

None

Absent:

Tavaglione and Stone

Date:

June 15, 2010

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RECOMMENDED MOTION:

 Authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute the Standard Agreement, and all other grant documents and amendments, if the application is approved and funded, subject to County Counsel approval.

BACKGROUND:

The Redevelopment Agency for the County of Riverside ("Agency") has a mission to address the unsafe living conditions of the low and very-low income farm working families in the Eastern Coachella Valley. Typically these families live in non-permitted, substandard mobile home parks that lack basic items such as, proper sewage systems and safe drinking water. Subsequently, the Agency developed the Mobile Home Tenant Loan ("MHTL") Program to address this need.

Since the inception of the Agency's MHTL Program in 1999, the Agency has provided homeownership opportunities to many families. In order to augment its existing sources of funds, the Agency has partnered with the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development ("HCD") Joe Serna Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant ("JSJFWHG") Program to utilize their funds as a matching source.

The Agency began applying to the JSJFWHG for funding as a matching source in 2001 and has continually applied as a Notice of Funding Availability ("NOFA") is published. The Agency has received a total of \$6.5 million in matching funds for the MHTL Program. On April 19, 2010 the HCD published a NOFA for the JSJFWHG funds and will be accepting applications starting from May 3^{rd,} 2010. As such, the Agency intends to apply for an allocation of \$1.5 million as a matching source of funds in response to the NOFA published by HCD. Further, the allocation of \$1.5 million in matching funds will be used to assist approximately 75 households. Each qualifying household may receive up to the maximum Agency loan amount of \$40,000 with a maximum matching contribution up to \$25,000 from the JSJFWHG funds.

Therefore, the Agency respectfully request approval to respond to the JSJFWHG Notice of Funding Availability published on April 19, 2010 and submit an application for the maximum amount of \$1.5 million to utilize as a matching source of funds to the MHTL Program.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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RDA RESOLUTION No. 2010-027 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE JOE SERNA, JR. FARMWORKER HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency for the County of Riverside ("Agency") is a Redevelopment Agency duly created, established and authorized to transact business and exercise its powers, all under and pursuant to the provisions of the Community Redevelopment Law, which is Part 1 of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code (commencing with Section 33000 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the Agency is providing the farmworker community with an opportunity of homeownership through its existing Mobile Home Tenant Loan ("MHTL") Program; and

WHEREAS, the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant ("JSJFWHG") funds will be used as a matching source of funds for the existing MHTL Program; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Housing and Community Development ("HCD") issued a Notice of Funding Availability ("NOFA") on April 19, 2010 for the JSJFWHG; and

WHEREAS, the Agency wishes to submit to HCD an application to obtain an allocation of grant funds in the amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) from the JSJFWHG Program; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Agency has notified the Executive Office of applying for state grant funds for general program support.

BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED by the Board of Directors of the Redevelopment Agency for the County of Riverside, in regular session assembled on June 15, 2010, as follows:

1) The Agency is authorized to submit an application, in response to the open NOFA for the JSJFWHG Program, requesting funding for the matching source of

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contribution to the Agency's existing MHTL Program.

- 2) The Agency hereby agrees to use the JSJFWHG Program funds for eligible activities in the manner presented in the application as approved by HCD and in accordance with program guidelines.
- 3) The Board of Directors for the Redevelopment Agency for the County of Riverside authorizes the Executive Director or designee to execute the application and all other subsequent and necessary documents needed to complete the application as required by HCD for participation in the JSJFWHG Program.
- 4) In the event the application is approved and funded, the Board of Directors for the Redevelopment Agency for the County of Riverside authorizes the Executive Director or designee to execute the Standard Agreement, all other grant documents and amendments, subject to County Counsel approval, as required by HCD for the participation in the JSJFWHG Program.

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ROLL CALL:

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Ayes: Nays: None

Absent:

Tavaglione and Stone

Büster, Benoit and Ashley

The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

Deputy

KECIA HARPER-IHEM, Clerk of said Board

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