

PLACER COUNTY
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Members of the Redevelopment Agency Board
FROM: Richard E. Colwell, Chief Assistant CEO–Redevelopment Director *Received*
Rae James, Deputy Director
DATE: December 5, 2006
SUBJECT: Adopt Resolutions Approving the Submission of a \$200,000 Federal Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Communitywide Assessment Grant Application and a \$200,000 Site Specific Cleanup Brownfield Grant Application and Authorize the Chief Assistant CEO-Redevelopment Director or Designee to Execute All Necessary Documents Subject to Agency Counsel Approval.

ACTION REQUESTED

Adopt resolutions approving the submission of a \$200,000 Federal Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Communitywide Assessment Grant application and a \$200,000 Site Specific Cleanup Brownfield grant application and authorize the Chief Assistant CEO-Redevelopment Director or designee to execute all necessary documents subject to Agency Counsel approval.

BACKGROUND

On October 16, 2006, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was released by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Brownfield assessments, revolving loan funds, and cleanup grants.

The Placer County Redevelopment Agency (Agency) is seeking your board approval to submit two grant applications to EPA totaling \$400,000. The first \$200,000 grant application is for a Brownfield Communitywide Assessment Grant which will provide funding to establish a program to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct cleanup and redevelopment planning and community education related to Brownfield sites. The Agency's target area for this grant application is the North Lake Tahoe Redevelopment Project area which includes Kings Beach, Tahoe City, and Tahoe Vista. This grant provides the Agency funding to assist private property owners in identifying hazardous substances and covers the costs of Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments.

The Agency is also requesting your board approval to submit a \$200,000 site specific grant application to assist with the remediation costs associated with the former Swiss Mart property located at 8797 North Lake Boulevard in Kings Beach (APN 090-192-042 and 090-192-055). On October 24, 2006, your Board approved the purchase of the Swiss Mart property and escrow is expected to close by mid-November 2006. The site specific cleanup grant requires a twenty percent cost share. Sufficient funds have been budgeted in the Agency's FY 2006-2007 budget to fund the cost share requirement. The performance period for the cleanup grant is three years.

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS

The submission of a grant application to perform environmental site assessments is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Guidelines Section 15262 and under the National Environmental Policy Act per 24 CFR Section 58.34 (a) (1).

The site specific cleanup grant application is exempt under CEQA per Guidelines section 15330.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the County General Fund. The \$200,000 2006 EPA Brownfield Community Assessment Grant does not require a local match of funds. The \$200,000 2006 EPA site specific cleanup grant requires a 20% local match. There are sufficient tax increment funds budgeted in the Agency's FY 2006-2007 Budget to cover the local match.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt resolutions approving the submission of a \$200,000 Federal Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield communitywide assessment grant application and a \$200,000 site specific cleanup Brownfield grant application and authorize the Chief Assistant CEO-Redevelopment Director or designee to execute all necessary documents subject to Agency Counsel approval.

cc: Sabrina Thompson, Agency Counsel

**Before the Placer County
Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a \$200,000 Federal Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Communitywide Assessment Grant application and authorize the Chief Assistant CEO-Redevelopment Director or designee to execute all necessary documents subject to Agency Counsel approval.

Resol. No:.....

Ord. No:.....

First Reading:

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Redevelopment Agency Board

of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held December 5, 2006,

by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

**Attest:
Clerk of said Board**

Chair, Agency Board

BE IT RESOLVED by the Placer County Redevelopment Agency as follows:

WHEREAS, the Placer County Redevelopment Agency (Agency) has adopted the North Lake Tahoe Redevelopment Project Area (Project Area), the North Lake Tahoe Redevelopment Plan, and the Implementation Plan for the North Lake Redevelopment Project Area (collectively the Project Area and Plans); and

WHEREAS, the Agency is vested with responsibility pursuant to the Community Redevelopment Law (Part I of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California) (Law) to implement the Redevelopment Plan in the Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the Agency wishes to apply for and receive an allocation of funds through the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfield's Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund and Cleanup grants; and

WHEREAS, the Agency wishes to submit an application in the amount of up to \$200,000 for the 2006 EPA Brownfield Communitywide Assessment Grant which will be targeted toward the North Lake Tahoe Redevelopment Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is in furtherance of the Project Area and Plans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Agency Board that after due consideration of the facts presented, the findings as stated in the staff report that accompanies this Resolution are approved, and the Agency Board finds and determines as follows:

1. All of the above recitals are true and correct, and the Agency has based the findings and actions set forth in this Resolution, in part, on such recitals.
2. The Agency Board approves the submittal of an application to EPA in the amount of up to \$200,000 for the 2006 EPA Communitywide Brownfield Assessment Grant to target the North Lake Tahoe Redevelopment Project Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the application is approved, the Agency hereby agrees to use the EPA funds for eligible activities in the manner presented in the applications as approved by EPA in accordance with regulations. The Agency may also execute any and all other instruments necessary or required by EPA for participation in the EPA Brownfield programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Agency Board that if the application is approved, the Agency hereby agrees to accept the EPA funds in an amount of up to \$200,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Agency Board authorizes the Chief Assistant CEO-Redevelopment Director or its designee to execute in the name of the Agency, the application, and all documents, required by EPA for participation in the EPA Brownfield program and any amendments thereto subject to Agency Counsel approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**Before the Placer County
Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a \$200,000 site specific cleanup Brownfield grant application and authorize the Chief Assistant CEO-Redevelopment Director or designee to execute all necessary documents subject to Agency Counsel approval.

Resol. No:.....

Ord. No:.....

First Reading:

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Redevelopment Agency Board of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held December 5, 2006, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

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WHEREAS, the Agency is vested with responsibility pursuant to the Community Redevelopment Law (Part I of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California) (Law) to implement the Redevelopment Plan in the Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the Agency wishes to apply for and receive an allocation of funds through the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfield's Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup grants; and

WHEREAS, the Agency wishes to submit an application in the amount of up to \$200,000 for the 2006 EPA Site Specific Brownfield Cleanup Grant to facilitate cleanup efforts at the former Swiss Mart gas station located at 8797 North Lake Boulevard, Kings Beach, California (APNs 090-192-041 and 090-192-055); and

WHEREAS, the grant requires the Agency to provide a twenty percent local match of funds to be used for this activity; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has sufficient funds budgeted in its FY 2006/2007 approved budget to cover the twenty percent local match requirement; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is in furtherance of the Project Area and Plans.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Agency Board that after due consideration of the facts presented, the findings as stated in the staff report that accompanies this Resolution are approved, and the Agency Board finds and determines as follows:

1. All of the above recitals are true and correct, and the Agency has based the findings and actions set forth in this Resolution, in part, on such recitals.
2. The Agency Board approves the submittal of an application to EPA in the amount of up to \$200,000 for the 2006 EPA site specific cleanup grant to be used for the cleanup of the former Swiss Mart gas station located at 8797 North Lake Boulevard, Kings Beach, California (APNs 090-192-041 and 090-192-055).
3. The Agency Board approves the use of Agency FY 2006/2007 budgeted funds for the Swiss Mart project as the twenty percent local match grant requirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the application is approved, the Agency hereby agrees to use the EPA funds for eligible activities in the manner presented in the application as approved by EPA in accordance with regulations. The Agency may also execute any and all instruments necessary or required by EPA for participation in the EPA Brownfield programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Agency Board that if the application is approved, the Agency hereby agrees to accept the EPA funds in an amount up to \$200,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Agency Board authorizes the Chief Assistant CEO-Redevelopment Director or its designee to execute in the name of the Agency, the application, and all other documents, required by EPA for participation in the EPA Brownfield program and any amendments thereto subject to Agency Counsel approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

