

Resolution No. _____

Date: _____

RESOLUTION OF THE SONOMA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (COMMISSION), IN ITS CAPACITY AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE SONOMA COUNTY COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, APPROVING A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE MONTE RIO RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SPORTS COURT REPAIR AND RESURFACING PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$144,500.00), AND AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT AND TO MAKE MINOR, NON-SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE AGREEMENT FOLLOWING REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COUNTY COUNSEL AS TO FORM

WHEREAS, the County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted Ordinance No. 5249 on July 11, 2000 adopting the Russian River Redevelopment Plan and establishing the Russian River Redevelopment Project (Project Area); and

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2000, the Board also adopted Resolution No. 00-0851 calling for the formation of a Russian River Redevelopment Oversight Committee (RRROC) to advise the Board and the Commission regarding funding for redevelopment projects; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2008, the Commission approved Resolution No. 08-0513 approving FY 2008/09 through FY 2012/13 Five Year Implementation Plan (Five Year Plan) for the Russian River Redevelopment Project Area (Project Area); and

WHEREAS, the RRROC, at its March 20, 2008, meeting voted unanimously to recommend to the Board approval of up to \$144,500 in redevelopment funding for the Monte Rio Recreation & Park District (MRRPD) Sports Court Repair and Resurfacing Project (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the MRRPD approved Resolution No. 00345 stating that it does not have sufficient funds available to accomplish the Project; and

WHEREAS, the funded improvements are of benefit to the project area, no other reasonable means of financing the improvements are available to the community, and the payment of redevelopment funds will assist in the elimination of one or more blighting conditions inside the project area by improving the recreational opportunities in the Russian River Redevelopment Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to provide funds to the MRRPD for the construction of the Project to promote the availability and accessibility of recreational opportunities and thereby reduce blight and promote the economic development of the Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the funded improvements are of benefit to the Project Area, and are consistent with the Russian River Redevelopment Plan and the Five Year Plan, both of which call for provision of recreation and park facilities for both local residents and visitors, and will assist in the elimination of health and safety issues; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2008, the Board and Commission adopted the *Sonoma County Policy Guidance for Use of Redevelopment Funds* (Policy Guidance); and

WHEREAS, the Project meets the Policy Guidance criteria as a Moderate Priority Project as a public recreation project the primary purpose of which is to remove blight and/or support economic development; and

WHEREAS, the Project is also consistent with Community Redevelopment Law of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Project is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with the provisions of Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines, in that it is the rehabilitation of an existing facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission, in its capacity as the governing body of the Sonoma County Community Redevelopment Agency hereby: finds, determines and resolves, and orders as follows:

1. In compliance with Health & Safety Code Section 33445, the Commission makes the following determinations:
 - a. The assistance to MRRPD is provided for in the Russian River Redevelopment Plan;
 - b. The use of redevelopment funds for the Project will benefit the Project Area;
 - c. No other reasonable means exist to fund the Project;
 - d. Completion of the Project will help to alleviate blight in the Project Area by transforming a deteriorating and unused park area into a resurfaced, restriped and improved park area with improved American Disability Act accessibilities available to local residents and visitors;
 - e. Use of redevelopment funds for the Project is consistent with the Implementation Plan for the Russian River Redevelopment Project.
2. Approves the Grant Agreement with the Monte Rio Recreation & Park District to construct the Monte Rio Recreation & Park District Sports Court Repairs and Resurfacing Project; and
3. Authorizes the Commission's Executive Director to execute the Grant Agreement, to execute future one-year extensions to the term of the Agreement, and to make minor, non-substantive changes to the Grant Agreement following review and approval of County Counsel as to form.

COMMISSIONERS:

BROWN____ KERNS____ ZANE____ CARRILLO____ KELLEY____

AYES:____ NOES:____ ABSTAIN:____ ABSENT:____

SO ORDERED