

CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Economic Development-Brownfields

Resolution No.: 10-12-22C

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Ambient Group LLC for the Environmental Remediation of City-owned Parcels Designated as Block 331, Lots 86 and 87 of the City of Camden Tax Map for an Amount Not to Exceed \$ 136,212.00

Project Summary:

- S.Yaffa & Sons, Inc. has been cited for illegally importing and stockpiling contaminated soil material on property owned by Weyhill Realty Holdings, LLC d/b/a WRH I, LLC, an affiliated entity, at Mount Vernon, Sycamore, 6th and 7th Street which are designated as Block 331, Lots 41, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54, 55-65, 67, 75, 80, 86, 87, 89, 113, 114 and as Block 334, Lots 4, 7-9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 26-33, 34, 39, 40, 41 on the City of Camden Tax Map (the “Yaffa Site”).
- Activities undertaken at the Yaffa Site have also encroached upon adjacent property owned by the City, CRA, and private parties.
- CRA, authorized by Resolution 03-09-22A, entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the City for CRA to manage environmental services for the Yaffa Site and City- and CRA-owned property as well as other private properties within Block 331 and Block 334.
- The Yaffa Site is an active case with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) Site Remediation Program (SRP). Based on preliminary data provided by NJDEP, site soils contain elevated levels of contamination that require an environmental assessment.
- City-owned parcels which are adjacent to the Yaffa Site and designated as Block 331, Lots 86 and 87 require remediation.
- This resolution authorizes CRA to enter into a contract with Ambient Group LLC to perform the environmental remediation (characterization and removal of soils for off-site disposal) at the City-owned parcels designated as Block 331, Lots 86 and 87.

Purpose of Resolution:

Authorize a non-professional contract

Award Process:

An Invitation for Bid was advertised

Cost Not To Exceed:

\$ 136,212.00 (Total Bid)

Total Project Cost:

TBD

Source of Funds:

NJEDA BIF and EPA RLF grants

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WHEREAS, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency (“CRA”) is charged with the duty of redevelopment throughout the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, as part of CRA’s redevelopment duties, CRA manages the City of Camden Brownfield Program and has grant funds available for such work; and

WHEREAS, City of Camden-owned parcels designated as Block 331 Lots 86 and 87 on the City of Camden Tax Map require remediation; and

WHEREAS, CRA, authorized by Resolution 03-09-22A, entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the City for CRA to manage environmental services to address the contamination at properties within Blocks 331 and 334 designated on the City of Camden Tax Map; and

WHEREAS, in order to procure the remediation scope of work, CRA advertised an Invitation for Bid entitled “Contaminated Soil Removal at City Owned Lots Located at 1112 - 1114 South Sixth Street (Block 331, Lots 86 and 87), Camden, NJ” dated March 29, 2022, in accordance with the “fair and open” process and procedures established under the regulations and amendments to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, CRA received three (3) bids, and determined that Ambient Group, LLC was the lowest responsive bidder; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the Work is eligible under grants from the New Jersey Economic Development Authority’s Brownfield Impact Fund (NJEDA-BIF) and from CRA’s US Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund Grant Program (USEPA-RLF).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency, that the Interim Executive Director, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and enter into a contract with Ambient Group LLC for the environmental remediation of the City-owned parcels designated on the City of Camden Tax Map as Block 331, Lots 86 and 87 in an amount not to exceed \$136,212.00 Total Bid, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Interim Executive Director, or her designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions and execute all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

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ON MOTION OF: **Maria Sharma**

SECONDED BY: **Gilbert Harden, Sr.**

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Christopher Collins	X		
Derek Davis	X		
Gilbert Harden, Sr.	X		
Tasha Gainey-Humphrey	X		
Ian K. Leonard	X		
Jose Javier Ramos	X		
Maria Sharma	X		

Jan K. Leonard

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Chairperson

ATTEST:



Olivette Simpson
Interim Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta

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