## CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RESOLUTION SUMMARY

**Economic Development-Brownfields** 

Resolution No.: 12-11-24A

#### **Resolution Title:**

### Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the North Camden Brownfield Development Area

### **Project Summary:**

- The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") has established a Brownfield Development Area ("BDA") designation for selected communities affected by multiple brownfields to plan for and implement investigation, remediation, and redevelopment of those brownfield sites in a comprehensive and coordinated manner. This designation allows municipalities to receive significant grant funds and technical assistance for the environmental clean-up of sites within the designated BDA.
- North Camden, in part, is designated as an existing BDA. The CRA request has been approved by NJDEP to renew the BDA designation and remain in the BDA program.
- A new Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between the NJDEP, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency, and the Steering Committee is a requirement of the program.

#### **Purpose of Resolution:**

To meet the NJDEP BDA MOU requirement

### **Award Process:**

NJDEP has approved the continued BDA designation for North Camden

Cost Not To Exceed:

N/A

## Total Project Cost:

N/A

**Source of Funds:** N/A

#### 12-11-24A

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WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ('NJDEP") has established a Brownfield Development Area ("BDA") designation for selected communities affected by multiple brownfields; and

WHEREAS, this designation allows municipalities to receive significant grant funds and technical assistance for Brownfields sites within a BDA; and

WHEREAS, the City of Camden has multiple brownfield sites in the vicinity of the Delaware River back channel, which consist of properties that would benefit from the designation of a Brownfield Development Area program to stimulate economic growth and redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, certain properties within the North Camden neighborhood are designated within an existing BDA, the CRA requested and NJDEP has approved the renewal of the North Camden BDA designation to remain in the BDA program; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a BDA Steering Committee, consisting of various stakeholders is a requirement of the BDA program; and

WHEREAS, such BDA Steering Committee, is expected to include such groups as owners of contaminated properties, potentially responsible parties, developers, community groups, technical experts, and residents; and

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between the NJDEP, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency, and the Steering Committee is a requirement of the Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Executive Director of the Agency is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for purposes of advancing a Brownfield Development Area designation in the North Camden neighborhood; and

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED** that the 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.

## 12-11-24A (cont'd)

## ON MOTION OF: Christopher Collins

**SECONDED BY:** Maria Sharma

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

# Ian K. Leonard

Ian K. Leonard Chairperson

ATTEST:

Olivette Simpson Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

# Mark P. Asselta

Mark P. Asselta, Esq. Board Counsel

## Exhibit A Property List

NAME OF SITE Knox Gelatin	Tax Block / Lot and/or Address Block 4, Lot 1 (BPUM owned); Block 4, Lot 64 and Block 746, Lots 16-18, 25, 26, 45-47 (City owned)	ACREAGE Approx. 27.29
Save our Waterfront	Block 746, Lots 24, 29, 33, 64, 68 & 73	Approx. 20
Poet's Row Industrial Park (aka Associated 3)	201 Erie Street; Block 2, Lot 2	Approx. 23.28
Camden Ship Repair (aka Mathis Shipyard)	100 Erie Street; Block 1, Lot 1	Approx. 16.98

## North Camden Brownfield Development Area

## Exhibit A (cont'd) Property List

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## North Camden Brownfield Development Area

Note: Block 746 Lot 47 is prior Lot 16

Block 746 Lot 45 possibly consolidated into other Lots