



City of Newark

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Newark, New Jersey 07102

Legislation Text

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Dept/ Agency: Neighborhood & Recreational Services

Action: (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending

Type of Service: Acceptance of Grant Funds

Purpose: Clean Community Grant 2014

Entity Name: Department of Neighborhood & Recreational Services

Entity Address: 920 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, 07102

Grant Amount: \$355,479.41

Funding Source: State of New Jersey 2013 Clean Communities Entitlement Program

Total Project Cost: \$355,479.41

City Contribution: No Municipal Funds Required

Other Funding Source/Amount: 0 /\$

Contract Period: Amended to January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015

Contract Basis: () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS

() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ

() Private Sale (X) Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a

Additional Information:

Invitation: Director of Neighborhood & Recreational Services, January 21, 2015

WHEREAS, the Clean Communities Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-217 et seq. ("Act"), established a grant fund, entitled the "Clean Communities Entitlement Program" and administered by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP"), from which grants may be made to municipalities in order to encourage increased anti-litter campaigns; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark is eligible, without application, to receive an annual grant under the Act to create or to supplement an existing litter reduction program within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the Act is to use the grants to develop new municipal anti-litter programs and to continue and expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive Clean Communities Entitlement Program funds, municipalities are required to plan and implement a program which combines the elements of litter clean-up and removal, enforcement of litter related laws and ordinances, litter abatement, public information and education, and encourage the proper handling of solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark has implemented such a program; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Newark to continue said program in order to provide a clean, litter free environment for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Clean Communities Entitlement Program does not require a grant application or NJDEP approval in order to obtain a grant award; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark has been awarded a grant in the amount \$355,479.41 from the 2014 Clean Communities Entitlement Program for programs of litter pick up and removal as well as for abatement of graffiti, for the period commencing on January 1, 2014 and terminating on June 30, 2015, with no expenditure of City funds or resources required;

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2014 the Director of Neighborhood and Recreational Services requested an extension of time to expend the above grant funds from the NJDEP until December 31, 2015, which was approved (A copy of the letter requesting the extension and the approval from the NJDEP is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The acceptance of the grant award in the amount of \$355,479.41 from the 2014 Clean Communities Entitlement Program (a copy of the check is attached hereto and made a part hereof) is hereby authorized and ratified from January 1, 2014 until the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
2. The Director of Neighborhood and Recreational Services is hereby ratified and authorized to submit a letter to the NJDEP requesting an extension of time to expend the above grant funds from the NJDEP until December 31, 2015 from the date of submission of the letter to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
3. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of Neighborhood and Recreational Services, are hereby authorized to enter into and execute such grant documents as required to receive and expend the grant award in the amount of \$355,479.41 for programs of litter pickup and removal as well as for abatement of graffiti, for the period commencing January 1, 2014 and terminating on December 31, 2015 (a copy of the Clean Communities Entitlement Program Fact Sheet is attached hereto and made a part hereof).
4. The Municipal Council hereby ratifies its authorization to execute such grant documents from the date of their submission to the date of adoption of this authorizing Resolution.
5. The Department of Neighborhood & Recreational Services will be responsible for the Clean Community Program's implementation, and the Director of Neighborhood & Recreational Services is hereby designated as the Clean Community Coordinator.
6. No municipal funds are required for receipt or acceptance of the grant award.
7. The Director of the Department of Neighborhood & Recreational Services shall file a fully executed copy of the grant award letter, the grant agreement, and any other associated grant documentation, including extensions, in the Office of the City Clerk.

STATEMENT

This resolution ratifies and authorizes the Mayor and/or his designee, the Director of Neighborhood & Recreational Services, to enter into and execute an agreement for the acceptance of grant funds in

the amount of \$355,479.41 from the 2014 Clean Communities Entitlement Program for programs of litter pick up and removal as well as for abatement of graffiti, for the period commencing on January 1, 2014 and terminating on December 31, 2015. This resolution further ratifies and authorizes the Director of Neighborhood and Recreational Services to submit a letter to the NJDEP requesting an extension of time to expend the above grant funds from the NJDEP until December 31, 2015. No municipal funds are required for the receipt or acceptance of the grant award.