

CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
RESOLUTION SUMMARY

FINANCE

Resolution No.: **11-12-14A**

Resolution Title:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT
WITH MERCADIEN, P.C. FOR FINANCIAL AUDITING SERVICES FOR FYE 2014
FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$39,128.00**

Project Summary:

The CRA requires the services of an independent auditing firm to perform the FYE 2014 financial audit of the Agency's finances.

Purpose of Resolution:

To allow the CRA to enter into a contract with the firm of Mercadien, P.C. to conduct the FYE 2014 Audit.

Award Process:

The CRA prepared and posted on its Web Site a Request for Proposals for a firm to provide FYE 2014 Financial Auditing services for the Agency, in accordance with the 'fair and open' process and procedures established under the regulation and amendments to the N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et.seq

Cost Not To Exceed:

\$39,128.00

Total Project Cost:

\$39,128.00

11-12-14A

**Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Mercadien, P.C. for
Financial Auditing Services
for FYE 2014 for a Total Cost Not to Exceed \$39,128.00**

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

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:31-7 requires all public entities to conduct an annual audit for their respective fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the CRA requires the services of an independent auditing firm to perform the FYE 2014 financial audit; and

WHEREAS, in order to procure these services the CRA prepared and posted on its website a Request for Proposals for a firm to provide FYE 2014 Financial Auditing services for the Agency, in accordance with the 'fair and open' process and procedures established under the regulation and amendments to the N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et.seq.; and

WHEREAS, the CRA did receive two (2) proposals from firms to perform the required services; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Mercadien, P.C. responded to the Request for Proposals and submitted a proposal to perform the required work for a cost not to exceed \$39,128.00; and

WHEREAS, the other firm does not possess a New Jersey Business Registration Certification as required by the New Jersey Treasury Department when seeking to do business with public agencies in the state; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Mercadien, P.C. has completed prior audits for the Agency and has provided other services to the Agency and is familiar with the books and records and the accounting procedures of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, through this process Mercadien, P.C. was deemed the best firm to provide these services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Executive Director of the Agency, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the firm of Mercadien, P.C. for the provision of auditing services for the FYE 2014 for a cost not to exceed \$39,128.00.

11-12-14A (cont'd)

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

ON MOTION OF:

SECONDED BY:

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Marilyn Torres			
Vance Bowman			
Edgardo Garcia			
Kenwood Hagamin, Jr.			
Mirta L. Nieves			
Jose Vazquez			

Marilyn Torres
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Saundra Ross Johnson
Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta, Esq.
Board Counsel

CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Economic Development-Brownfields

Resolution No.: **11-12-14B**

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing an Application for and Acceptance of a Grant from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund in an Amount Not to Exceed \$269,035.00 for Remedial Action on a Portion of Block 62, Lots 17, 21, 22 and 23 of the City of Camden Tax Map (the ABC Barrel Site)

Project Summary:

- This resolution authorizes the CRA to apply for and accept a grant of up to \$269,035.00 from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) for remediation of a portion of Block 62, Lots 17, 21, 22, and 23 of the Camden Tax Map (the ABC Barrel Site) which is owned by the CRA and which is comprised of open space parkland and a surrounding access roadway central to the site.
- This portion of the site must be remediated prior to redevelopment of the balance of the site for residential purposes and in order to properly close out the open NJDEP case associated with the former industrial use of the site.
- Future plans call for development of the targeted portion of the site as parkland / access roadways.
- The CRA also received Brownfield Cleanup Grants from USEPA, in the amount of \$89,678.00 which can be used for the 25% match requirement for the HDSRF grant. Along with the State Brownfield Redevelopment Initiative Grant that the CRA previously received for the entirety of the ABC Barrel Site, there is still a short fall of funding for the cleanup of both the residential and parkland portions of the site.

The HDSRF Grant Program requires a 25% match:

\$269,035 HDSRF Grant Amount (75%)

\$ 89,678 Cash Match USEPA Brownfield Cleanup Grants (25%)

\$358,713 Value of New Work (100%)

Purpose of Resolution:

Apply for and accept a grant

Award Process:

N/A

Cost Not To Exceed:

\$358,713 (current cost estimate for parkland cleanup)

Total Project Cost:

\$1,350,408 million (current cost estimate for the cleanup of the residential area as well as the parkland area).

Source of Funds:

HDSRF and USEPA Grants

Resolution Authorizing an Application for and Acceptance of a Grant from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund in an Amount Not to Exceed \$269,035.00 for Remedial Action on a Portion of Block 62, Lots 17, 21, 22, and 23 of the City of Camden Tax Map (the ABC Barrel Site)

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

WHEREAS, the CRA intends to redevelop Block 62, Lots 17, 21, 22, and 23 which is owned by the CRA (the "ABC Barrel Site") as a parkland and residential development; and

WHEREAS, the parkland area must be remediated prior to the redevelopment activities; and

WHEREAS, the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) provides grants to municipalities and qualifying agencies for environmental investigation and remediation; and

WHEREAS, seeks to obtain from the HDSRF a grant to fund Remedial Action for the parkland portion of the ABC Barrel Site in an amount not to exceed \$269,035.00

WHEREAS, the 25% match required by the HDSRF grant will be met by a \$89,678.00 cash match from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Brownfield Cleanup - 121-123 Penn Street grant;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Executive Director of the Agency, a duly authorized representative is hereby authorized to apply for and accept a Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Grant for Remedial Action on the parkland portion of the ABC Barrel Site in an amount not to exceed \$269,035.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or her designee, is hereby authorized and directed, subject to the adequate documentation of the committed match and contribution of required matching funds by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to take all actions and execute all grant documents, grant agreements and grant reports necessary to secure and administer the Grant and to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

11-12-14B (cont'd)

ON MOTION OF:

SECONDED BY:

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