

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2013-057

Approving the Busby Street Resource and Training Complex

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia acquired through purchase or eminent domain proceedings 27 parcels consisting of 6.28 acres, more or less (see Attachment A - "Busby Street Property"), on or near Busby Street for the purpose of designing and constructing a Life Resource Center to benefit the Columbia-Sumter Empowerment Zone Service area; and,

WHEREAS, such purchase of the Busby Street property was funded with Columbia-Sumter Empowerment Zone funds provided by the United States Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") Empowerment Zone Program; and,

WHEREAS, there was not sufficient funding remaining to construct the Life Resource Center; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia proposes to submit to HUD for HUD's consideration and approval a proposal to construct a complex on the Busby Street properties to provide a broad array of resident-focused programs to benefit the Columbia-Sumter Empowerment Zone Area (see Attachment B - "Busby Street Resource and Training Complex Proposal"); and,

WHEREAS, HUD has requested that appropriate restrictive covenants be placed upon the Busby Street property restricting the use for purposes stated in the Busby Street Resource and Training Complex Proposal; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia has drafted such restrictive covenants for HUD's approval (see Attachment C - "Busby Street Restrictive Covenants") and,

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia has budgeted money in its 2012-2013 FY Capital Improvements Plan budget which can be allocated and carried over year to year until the City of Columbia has accumulated sufficient funding to commence the design and construction of the Busby Street Resource and Training Complex; NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council this 7th day of May, 2013 that upon approval by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development of the Busby Street Resource and Training Complex Proposal (Attachment B) and the Busby Street Restrictive Covenants (Attachment C), the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to implement the Busby Street Resource and Training Complex Proposal (Attachment B), cause the Busby Street Restrictive Covenants (Attachment C) to be placed upon the Busby Street property; seek sources of funding to design and construct the Busby Street Resource and Training Complex and to allocate such funding to the line item allocation in the City of Columbia's Capital Improvements Plan budget which shall be carried over year to year until the City of Columbia has accumulated sufficient funding to commence the design and construction of the Busby Street Resource and Training Complex as proposed; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Columbia Police Department would establish on the property a secure, state-of-the-art forensic laboratory, an evidence storage facility, and a specially designed area for the Department's canine unit and a police sub-station would also be located in the complex.

Requested by:

Mayor and City Council _____

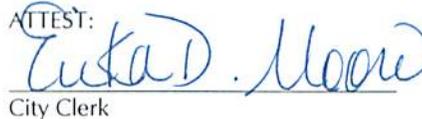

MAYOR

Approved by:


City Manager

Approved as to form:


City Attorney

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Introduced: 5/7/2013
Final Reading: 5/7/2013

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