RESOLUTION NO. 22-09

RESOLUTION OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH OPTICOS DESIGN, INC. TO COMPLETE A PILOT FORM-BASED CODE FOR THE 23RD STREET CORRIDOR

WHEREAS, the Richmond City Council has identified the need to revitalize and promote more pedestrian-oriented development to enhance retail and commercial activities on 23rd Street; and

WHEREAS, the preparation of a form-based code for the 23rd Street Corridor (Project) follows the direction of the General Plan Update, which proposes form-based codes be developed for Richmond’s commercial corridors; and

WHEREAS, form-based codes are a method of regulating development to achieve a specific urban form and;

WHEREAS, the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency Board approved the transfer of $180,000 to the Planning and Building Services Department to complete the Project; and

WHEREAS, Opticos Design, Inc. is on the Planning & Building Services Department’s established vendor list, is a leading local firm qualified to develop form-based codes, and has the knowledge and expertise required to assist the City of Richmond with the Project; and

WHEREAS, Opticos Design, Inc. prepared the City’s Residential Design Guidelines for Additions to Heritage Homes (Adopted July 2008) that identified architectural elements that will be reflected in the Project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Richmond City Council authorizes the execution of a contract not to exceed $180,000 between the City of Richmond and Opticos Design, Inc. to complete a pilot form-based code for the 23rd Street Corridor.

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I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Richmond City Council at a regular meeting held on April 7, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Butt, Rogers, Ritterman, Viramontes, Vice Mayor Lopez, and Mayor McLaughlin.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Diane Holmes
Clerk of the City of Richmond

(SEAL)

Approved:

Gayle McLaughlin
Mayor

Approved as to form:

Randy Riddle
City Attorney

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County of Contra Costa  
City of Richmond