RESOLUTION NO: 57-09

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF THE FORMULA-ALLOCATED ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $955,100 FOR THE APPROXIMATE PERIOD FROM AUGUST 1, 2009 THROUGH JULY 31, 2012

WHEREAS, in January 2007, the City of Richmond signed onto the U.S. Mayor’s Climate Protection Agreement committing to reducing GHG emissions to meet or surpass the Kyoto Protocol targets of a seven percent reduction from 1990 levels by 2012; and

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2007, Richmond’s City Council directed staff to develop a comprehensive policy to lead by example in the fight against global warming; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2008, the Richmond City Council became a signatory to the Urban Environmental Accords; and

WHEREAS, at the same meeting, the City Council passed a resolution committing to the GHG emissions reduction targets established by California’s Global Warming Solutions Act, or Assembly Bill 32 (AB 32) which are 2000 levels by CY 2010, 1990 levels by CY 2020, and 80% below 1990 levels by CY 2050; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond is currently, updating its General Plan and will be one of the first city’s to include an Energy and Climate Change Element; and proposed in the General Plan update are the goals and policies that will lead it to accomplish the targets outlined above; and

WHEREAS, the General Plan Goal EC3 is to encourage Sustainable and Efficient Energy Systems; and

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 authorizes up to $955,100 in Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant funding for the City of Richmond.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE City OF RICHMOND authorizes the City Manager to submit an application with an energy efficiency strategy for the expenditure of these formula-allocated Federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant funds in the amount of $955,100 for the approximate period from August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2012.
I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of The City of Richmond, California, at a regular meeting thereof held June 16, 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 :ss.
City of Richmond )