

**RESOLUTION NO. 4-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, ELECTING TO BECOME THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE RICHMOND COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY PURSUANT TO PART 1.85 OF DIVISION 24 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE**

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**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Richmond (“City”) approved and adopted the Redevelopment Plans for the Merged Project Area, which consists of nine (9) constituent project areas, and for Project Area 1-B Pilot (collectively, the “Redevelopment Plans”), covering certain properties within the City (the “Project Areas”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency (“Agency”) has been engaged in activities to execute and implement the Redevelopment Plans pursuant to the provisions of the California Community Redevelopment Law (Health and Safety Code § 33000, et seq.) (“CRL”); and

**WHEREAS**, since adoption of the Redevelopment Plans, the Agency has undertaken redevelopment projects in the Project Areas to eliminate blight, to improve public facilities and infrastructure, to renovate and construct affordable housing, and to enter into partnerships with private industries to create jobs and expand the local economy; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the 2011-12 State budget bill, the California Legislature enacted, and the Governor signed, companion bills AB 1X 26 and AB 1X 27, requiring that each redevelopment agency be dissolved unless the community that created it enacts an ordinance committing it to make certain payments; and

**WHEREAS**, a Petition for Writ of Mandate was filed in the Supreme Court of the State of California on July 18, 2011 (*California Redevelopment Association, et al. v. Ana Matosantos, et al.*, Case No. S194861), challenging the constitutionality of AB 1X 26 and AB 1X 27 on behalf of cities, counties and redevelopment agencies and requesting a stay of enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 11, 2011, and modified on August 17, 2011, the Supreme Court stayed portions of AB 1X 26, and AB 1X 27 in its entirety during the pendency of the matter; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 29, 2011, the Supreme Court issued its final decision in the aforesaid litigation, upholding AB 1X 26, invalidating AB 1X 27, and extending all statutory deadlines under AB 1X 26, essentially dissolving all redevelopment agencies throughout the State effective February 1, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1X 26 further provides that, upon their dissolution, any property taxes that would have been allocated to redevelopment agencies will no longer be deemed tax increment, and will be allocated first to successor agencies to make payments on the existing indebtedness of the dissolved redevelopment agencies, with remaining balances allocated in accordance with applicable constitutional and statutory provisions; and

**WHEREAS**, AB 1X 26 provides that successor agencies be designated as successor entities to the former redevelopment agencies, and provides that, with certain exceptions, all authority, rights, powers, duties and obligations previously vested with the former redevelopment agencies, under the CRL, are vested in the successor agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, all other legal prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.**     **Recitals.** The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 2. Election to be Successor Agency.** In accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 34173, and based on the Recitals set forth above, the City Council hereby elects and determines that the City of Richmond shall become the “successor agency” to the former Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency. Upon dissolution of the Agency pursuant to Part 1.85 of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code, and except as provided under the CRL, all authority, rights, powers, duties and obligations previously vested with the former Agency, under the CRL, shall be vested in the City as the successor agency to the Agency.

**Section 3. Implementation.** The City Council hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager to take any action and execute any documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, including but not limited to notifying the Contra Costa County Auditor-Controller, the Controller of the State of California, and the California Department of Finance providing notice of the adoption of this Resolution and the City’s election to be the successor agency to the Agency, in accordance with AB 1X 26.

**Section 4. Severability.** If any provision of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are severable. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Resolution irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion thereof.

**Section 5. Certification.** The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a special meeting thereof held on January 24, 2012, by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers Bates, Beckles, Booze, Butt, Ritterman, Vice Mayor Rogers, and Mayor McLaughlin.
NOES:	None.
ABSTENTIONS:	None.
ABSENT:	None.

DIANE HOLMES  
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CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND  
(SEAL)

Approved:

GAYLE MCLAUGHLIN  
Mayor

Approved as to form:

RANDY RIDDLE  
City Attorney

State of California            }  
County of Contra Costa        : ss.  
City of Richmond               }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 4-12, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a special meeting held on January 24, 2012.