RESOLUTION NO: 72-14

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ALLOW BOTH THE ATCHISON VILLAGE MUTUAL HOMES CORPORATION AND ST. JOHN’S APARTMENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CITY’S PRIVATE SEWER LATERAL GRANT PROGRAM AND AWARD PRIVATE SEWER LATERAL GRANTS TO THESE DEVELOPMENTS IN A MANNER THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE CURRENT GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES.

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond entered into a settlement agreement with San Francisco Baykeeper in 2006 due to the fact that the City experiences significant sanitary sewer overflows during wet rainy weather due to the condition of the City’s sanitary sewer collection system; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond agreed as part of the settlement agreement with San Francisco Baykeeper to fund and implement a Private Sewer Lateral Replacement Program for residents or businesses and to allow residents or businesses to apply for up to $3,000 towards the replacement or rehabilitation of a private sewer lateral; and

WHEREAS, the City has experienced significant interest from the Atchison Village Mutual Homes Corporation and St. Johns Apartments to replace failing private sewer laterals when the opportunity to receive funding assistance exists; and

WHEREAS, failing private sewer laterals create public health hazards due to the potential for contact with sewage from non-functioning private sewer laterals and related sewer overflows; and

WHEREAS, failing private sewer laterals allow significant groundwater infiltration into the public sewer system which creates the need for costly capital improvements to the public sewage collection and treatment infrastructure which must be funded through increased sewer service fees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Richmond recognizes the value of the Private Sewer Lateral Grant Program and shall expand this program beyond the requirements established within the settlement agreement with San Francisco Baykeeper, in order to serve the Atchison Village Mutual Homes Corporation and St. Johns Apartments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager shall be authorized to allow both the Atchison Village Mutual Homes Corporation and St. John’s Apartments the opportunity to participate in the City’s private sewer lateral grant program and award private sewer lateral grants to these developments in a manner that is consistent with the current grant program guidelines. Current guidelines specify awarding grants in an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the lowest bid for lateral replacement not exceeding $3,000 per sewer lateral. The private sewer laterals within Atchison Village serve 41 buildings and 112 dwelling units with estimated grant awards totaling a maximum of $189,312. The private sewer laterals within St. Johns Apartments serve 31 buildings and 158 dwelling units with estimated grant awards totaling a maximum of $250,000.
I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond a regular meeting held on September 16, 2014 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Boozé, Butt, Myrick, Rogers, Vice Mayor Beckles, 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:

BRUCE GOODMILLER
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. 72-14, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on September 16, 2014.