

CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Economic Development/ Brownfields

Resolution No.: 08-13-25A

Resolution Title:

Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to Resolution 06-12-24A for a Brownfields Environmental Assessment Grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the Amount of \$500,000.00 to Modify the Cooperative Agreement with EPA to Increase the Number of Sites and Clarify the Tax Lot Designations of the Sites

Project Summary:

- CRA by Resolution 06-12-24A accepted a \$500,000.00 grant awarded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) to conduct five environmental site assessments of priority, publicly owned sites along the Federal Street corridor in the City’s Marlton East Camden Neighborhood.
- CRA entered into a Cooperative Agreement BF-96272000 dated June 10, 2025, with EPA for the use of such environmental assessment grant funds for environmental clean-up of targeted sites, ultimately, leading to a mixture of redevelopment uses and job opportunities for the city.
- The Federal Street Corridor area is characterized primarily by vacant former industrial land, and sites and is comprised of about 16.42 acres. Environmental impacts within the targeted area include the presence of contamination in the soil and groundwater. CRA is implementing a strategy for use of the EPA Assessment grant funds that considers several factors, including redevelopment potential, environmental risk, and community impact/and engagement. CRA also plans to undertake a series of community planning meetings to elicit input to establish a redevelopment area, reuse considerations, and clean up decisions.
- This Resolution is to amend Resolution 06-12-24A to authorize changes/revisions to the Cooperative Agreement with EPA to increase the number of environmental assessments conducted on publicly owned property from five to ten sites; clarify the site locations and tax lot designations; and amend the EPA Cooperative Agreement to reflect these changes. (See, Exhibit A attached)

Purpose of Resolution:

To accept an environmental assessment grant and authorize execution of a Cooperative Agreement with EPA

Award Process:

Competitive Grant Award

Cost Not to Exceed:

N/A

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Total Project Cost:

N/A

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WHEREAS, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency (“CRA”) is charged with the duty of redevelopment throughout the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, CRA manages the Camden Brownfields Program on behalf of the City of Camden; and

WHEREAS, CRA was awarded a \$500,000.00 competitive grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) Office of Brownfield and Land Revitalization Programs in May of 2024 to conduct five environmental site assessments of priority, publicly owned sites along the Federal Street corridor in the City’s Marlton, East Camden Neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, CRA entered into a Cooperative Agreement BF-96272000 dated June 10, 2025, with EPA to administer the environmental assessment grant funds for the environmental clean-up of targeted sites, ultimately, leading to a mixture of redevelopment uses and job opportunities for the city; and

WHEREAS, environmental impacts within the Federal Street Corridor area include the presence of contamination in the soil and groundwater, and

WHEREAS, CRA’s strategy to implement the EPA assessment grant funds at certain sites considers such factors that include redevelopment potential, environmental risk, and community impact and engagement which has resulted in the identification of four additional publicly owned sites in the targeted area; and

WHEREAS, CRA did enter into a Cooperative Agreement with EPA dated June 10, 2025, to govern the requirements for administering the \$500,000.00 grant; and

WHEREAS, CRA seeks to amend the Cooperative Agreement with EPA to increase the number of eligible environmental assessments conducted from five to ten sites and clarify the site locations and Tax Lot designations as reflected on Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Executive Director, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized to amend the Cooperative Agreement BF-96272000 with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) for a 2024 Environmental Assessment Grant awarded in the amount of \$500,000.00 to change the number of eligible sites from five to ten in the Federal Street Corridor and to clarify the site locations and Tax Lot designations as reflected on Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions and execute all documents necessary to administer the grant and carry out the purposes of this resolution.

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ON MOTION OF: Maria Sharma

SECONDED BY: Derek Davis

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Christopher Collins			
Derek Davis	X		
Gilbert Harden, Sr.			
Tasha Gainey-Humphrey	X		
Ian K. Leonard	X		
Jose Javier Ramos	X		
Maria Sharma	X		

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ATTEST:



Olivette Simpson
Executive Director

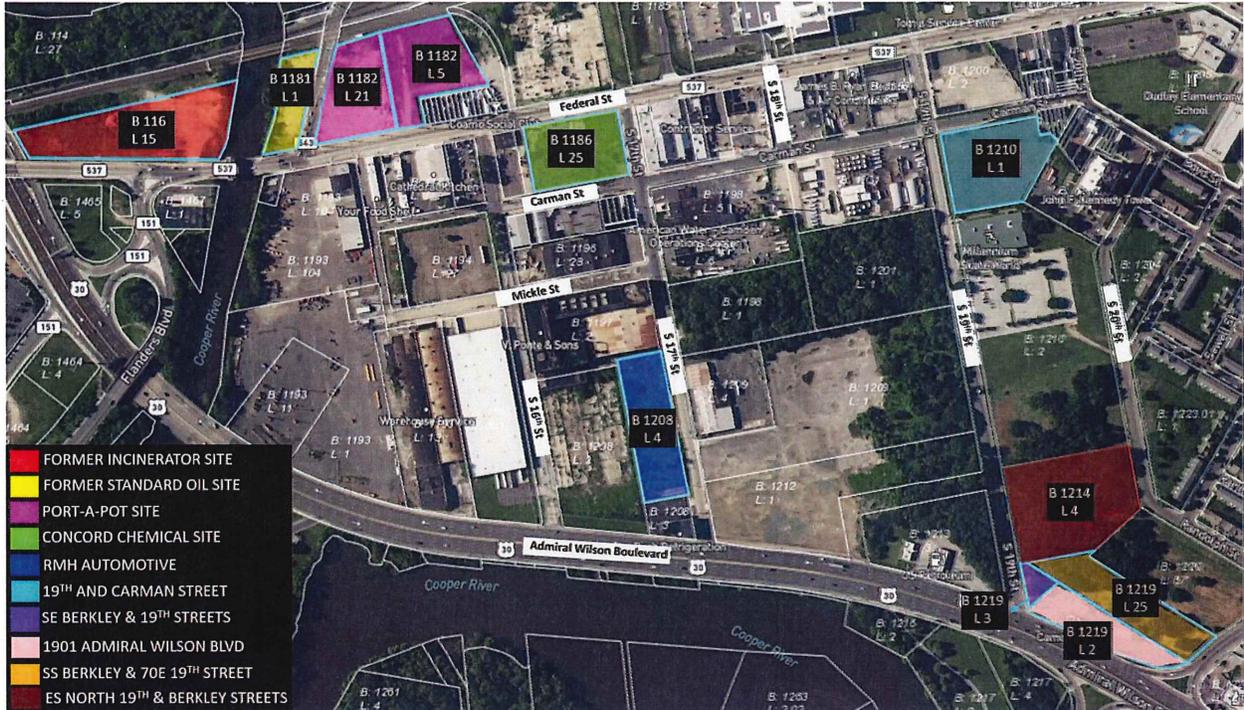
The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

Mark P. Asselta

Mark P. Asselta, Esq.
Board Counsel

Exhibit A

FEDERAL STREET INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR – PRIORITY SITES



Source: NJ Parcel Explorer

Block 1214, Lot 4 and Block 1219, Lots 2,3 and 25 - Enlarged



Source: NJ Parcel Explorer

EXHIBIT A (cont'd)

FEDERAL STREET SITES

PROPERTY LIST FOT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS

PRIORITY SITES

Site Name	Block	Lot	Address
Former Incinerator Site	Block 116	Lot 15	NE Federal & Admiral Wilson Blvd
Former Standard Oil Site	Block 1181	Lot 1	NW Federal & River Ave
Former Port A Pot Site	Block 1182	Lots 5 & 21	NS Federal 270' East River (Lot 5) NE Federal and River Avenue (Lot 21)
Former RMH Automotive Site	Block 1208	Lot 4	WS 17 th Street 160' No. Admiral Wilson Blvd
Concord Chemical Site	Block 1186	Lot 25	1698 Federal Street

ADDITIONAL SITES

Site Name	Block	Lot	Address
19 th & Carman Street	Block 1210	Lot 1	SE 19 th & Carman Streets
ES North 19 th & Berkley Streets	Block 1214	Lot 4	ES North 19 th & Berkley Streets
1901 Admiral Wilson Blvd	Block 1219	Lot 2	1901 Admiral Wilson Blvd
SE Berkley & 19 th Streets	Block 1219	Lot 3	SE Berkley & 19 th Street
SS Berkley & 70 E 19 th Street	Block 1219	Lot 25	SS Berkley 70 E 19 th Street