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REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

RESOLUTION NO. 2660

ADOPTED ON JULY 16, 1996

A RESOLUTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE URBAN FORESTRY GRANT PROGRAM AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS THAT THE USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS AS MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE ROOTS DOWNTOWN TREE PLANTING PROGRAM WILL BE OF BENEFIT TO THE CENTRE CITY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA.

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency of The City of San Diego (the "Agency") is engaged in activities necessary to carry out and implement the Redevelopment Plan for the Centre City Redevelopment Project (the "Project") area; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California (the "State") have enacted the California Wildlife, Coastal, and Park Land Conservation Act of 1988 (the "Act"), which provides funds to the State and its political subdivisions for urban forestry programs; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, which has responsibility for the administration of urban forestry programs, has established procedures which require applicants of the above-mentioned funds to certify by resolution the applicant's approval

of the application prior to its submission to the State and to provide matching funds; and

WHEREAS, once approved, the applicant enters into an agreement with the State to carry out a tree planting program; and

WHEREAS, in order to carry out and implement the Redevelopment Plan for the Project area, the Agency proposes to apply for grant funds pursuant to the Act in order to provide financial assistance for the Roots Downtown Tree Planting Program (the "Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Centre City Development Corporation has reviewed the proposed application and recommends that the Agency consent to providing financial assistance for the Program, and certify the application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has duly considered all conditions of the proposed payment for the Program and believes that the funding of the Program by the Agency is in the basic interest of the City and health, safety, morals and welfare of its residents, and in accord with the public purposes and provisions of applicable State and local laws and requirements; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Redevelopment Agency of The City of San Diego, as follows:

- 1. That it hereby approves the filing of an application for the Urban Forestry Grant Program under the California Wildlife, Coastal, and Park Land Conservation Bond Act of 1988, state grant assistance for the Roots Downtown Tree Planting Program, in the amount of twenty-one thousand six hundred sixty-eight dollars (\$21,668).
- 2. That it hereby certifies that it currently has available funds under its jurisdiction to begin the Program, and has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the Program.
- 3. That it appoints Peter J. Hall, President of the Centre City Development Corporation, as its agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments thereto that do not exceed the dollar amount authorized by this Resolution, and payment requests which may be necessary for the completion of the Program.
- 4. That it hereby authorizes the expenditure of twenty-one thousand six hundred sixty-eight dollars (\$21,668) as matching funds.
- 5. That it determines, based upon the information set forth in Attachment No. 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, the use of the funds for the Program as authorized by this Resolution will be of benefit to the Centre City Redevelopment Project area, that there are no other reasonable means of financing the Program,

and that the Program will contribute to the elimination of blight in the

Project area.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, General Counsel

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