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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO THE CITY'S DISBURSEMENT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF LOAN FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,066,770 TO COVER A PORTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY'S PAYMENT TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER OWED AS A RESULT OF THE DUE DILIGENCE REVIEW OF NONHOUSING ASSETS.

WHEREAS, from its formation in 1958 until its elimination on February 1, 2012, the Redevelopment Agency of the City of San Diego (Former RDA) administered the implementation of various redevelopment projects, programs, and activities within designated redevelopment project areas throughout the City of San Diego (City); and

WHEREAS, the Former RDA dissolved as of February 1, 2012, in accordance with a deadline for elimination of all redevelopment agencies throughout California set forth in Assembly Bill x1 26 (AB 26), as modified by the California Supreme Court in a final opinion issued on December 29, 2011; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the Former RDA's dissolution, the City, in its capacity as the successor agency to the Former RDA (Successor Agency), became vested with all of the Former RDA's authority, rights, powers, duties, and obligations under the California Community Redevelopment Law and, by operation of law, received all assets, properties, contracts, leases, books and records, buildings, and equipment of the Former RDA; and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency is winding down the Former RDA's affairs in accordance with AB 26, enacted on June 28, 2011, and Assembly Bill 1484 (AB 1484), enacted on June 27, 2012 (collectively, the Dissolution Laws); and

WHEREAS, the Oversight Board has been formed to oversee certain actions and decisions of the Successor Agency in accordance with the Dissolution Laws; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego County Auditor-Controller (County Auditor), the State

Controller, and the State Department of Finance (DOF) also possess certain rights and

obligations under the Dissolution Laws with respect to the Successor Agency's administration of
the Former RDA's operations; and

WHEREAS, among other things, the Dissolution Laws require the County Auditor to administer the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF), which consists of certain property taxes generated from the Former RDA's redevelopment project areas, and to distribute RPTTF monies on a semi-annual basis in conjunction with each six-month Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) of the Successor Agency; and

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code section 34177(d) requires the Successor Agency to remit unencumbered balances of the Former RDA's funds to the County Auditor, including the unencumbered balances of the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund of the Former RDA (Housing Funds) and the unencumbered balances of all other funds of the Former RDA (Non-Housing Funds); and

WHEREAS, upon receipt from the Successor Agency, the County Auditor must distribute the unencumbered balances of the Former RDA's funds as general property tax revenues to affected local taxing entities, such as the City, the County of San Diego, local school districts, and special districts (collectively, the Taxing Entities); and

WHEREAS, to determine the amount of unencumbered balances to be remitted by the Successor Agency to the County Auditor, California Health and Safety Code section 34179.5 requires the performance of two due diligence reviews applying agreed-upon procedures,

including a review of the account balances consisting of Housing Funds (Housing DDR) and Non-Housing Funds (Non-Housing DDR); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 34179.5(a), the Successor Agency selected, and the County Auditor approved, the independent accounting firm of Macias Gini & O'Connell, LLP (MGO) to complete each due diligence review of the Successor Agency's account balances; and

WHEREAS, with respect to the Housing DDR, the DOF issued a final determination letter in March 2013, finding an unencumbered balance of \$13,244,908, plus accrued interest, of Housing Funds available for disbursement to the Taxing Entities, and the Successor Agency paid this full amount to the County Auditor in two installments in May 2013 utilizing a combination of City loan funds in the amount of \$2,298,467 (issued in response to a court order denying injunctive relief on the basis of available City loan funds) and Successor Agency funds; and

WHEREAS, with respect to the Non-Housing DDR, the DOF issued a final determination letter dated October 31, 2013, as supplemented by an e-mail sent on November 1, 2013, concluding that the unencumbered amount of Non-Housing Funds available for distribution to the Taxing Entities is \$165,900,262, plus any accrued interest on that sum that has accumulated while in the possession of the recipient (collectively, the Non-Housing DDR Demand Amount); and

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code section 34179.6(f) requires the Successor Agency to remit the Non-Housing DDR Demand Amount to the County Auditor on or before November 7, 2013, which is five working days after the Successor Agency's receipt of the DOF's final determination letter; and

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code section 34179.6(h) allows the State of California and the County Auditor to pursue onerous remedies, such as the withholding of sales and use tax from the City and the reduction of property tax allocations to the City or the Successor Agency, or both, in the event that the Successor Agency fails to make a full, timely payment of the Non-Housing DDR Demand Amount; and

WHEREAS, the DOF's final determination on the Non-Housing DDR includes the compelled reversal (or "claw-back") of \$21,066,770 in payments previously made by the Former RDA to the City or related entities during the time period from January 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012 (collectively, the Claw-Back Amount), including:

- a. Petco Park bond debt service payment of \$11,322,000;
- b. Convention Center Phase II bond debt service payment of \$2,000,000;
- c. Community Development Block Grant annual repayment of \$3,294,500;
- d. City long-term debt payments of \$1,007,407;
- e. NTC section 108 loan payments of \$211,422;
- f. Mount Hope section 108 loan payment of \$35,170;
- g. City project payments of \$196,271; and
- h. Convention Center Phase III loan disbursement of \$3,000,000; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the approach used for payment of a portion of the amount demanded under the Housing DDR, the City and the Successor Agency now propose to enter into the "Loan Agreement for Payment of Non-Housing DDR Amount" (Loan Agreement), a copy of which is included as Attachment F to Staff Report No. CSD-13-17 / CSD-13-11 accompanying this Resolution, to enable the Successor Agency to pay the portion of the Non-Housing DDR Demand Amount constituting the Claw-Back Amount; and

WHEREAS, the Loan Agreement requires the City to loan funds to the Successor

Agency in an amount not to exceed \$21,066,770 (Loan Amount) to be used by the Successor

Agency toward payment of the Non-Housing DDR Demand Amount to the County Auditor; and

WHEREAS, the source of the funds to be disbursed under the Loan Agreement will be the City's General Fund Reserves, although the City's General Fund is expected to receive gross revenues of approximately \$34.9 million, and net revenues of approximately \$13.8 million (after taking into account the Loan Amount of approximately \$21.1 million), when the County Auditor distributes the Non-Housing DDR payment amount of approximately \$167 million to the Taxing Entities, including the City's pro rata share of approximately 21 percent; and

WHEREAS, under the Loan Agreement, the Successor Agency must identify the full repayment of the Loan Amount, plus accrued interest, as an enforceable obligation in one or more future ROPS; and

WHEREAS, to the extent that the Oversight Board and the DOF approve the Successor Agency's repayment of the Loan Amount as an enforceable obligation in a future ROPS and that sufficient funds are transferred to the Successor Agency from the RPTTF by the County Auditor, the Successor Agency must repay the outstanding balance of the Loan Amount plus accrued interest to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Loan Agreement requires the Successor Agency to exercise good faith efforts and to pursue all available administrative remedies to ensure that the repayment of the Loan Amount is qualified as an enforceable obligation to be repaid to the City utilizing future RPTTF distributions; and

WHEREAS, to the extent that sufficient RPTTF distributions for repayment of the Loan Amount are unavailable to the Successor Agency despite its exercise of good faith efforts, the

unpaid portion of the disbursed Loan Amount will be treated as a contribution or grant of funds to the Successor Agency and an expense to the City; and

WHEREAS, under Charter section 265(i), resolutions adopted by the City Council are not subject to veto pending an election to fill the vacancy in the Office of the Mayor, but the Council President, during the period of vacancy, generally has the authority to approve resolutions in circumstances where expeditious approval is necessary to meet a legal requirement imposed by a court or another governmental agency; and

WHEREAS, as discussed above, the statutory deadline for the Successor Agency's payment of the Non-Housing DDR Demand Amount elapsed on November 7, 2013, and the State of California and the County Auditor are expected to pursue onerous monetary remedies against the City or the Successor Agency, or both, if this full amount is not paid promptly; and

WHEREAS, in light of these circumstances, it is requested that the Council President approve this Resolution expeditiously so that it will become effective before the State of California and the County Auditor pursue onerous monetary remedies against City or the Successor Agency, or both, to collect the Non-Housing DDR Demand Amount; and

WHEREAS, all references in the authorized action items of this Resolution to the "Mayor" are intended to refer to the elected Mayor or the Council President (during the period of vacancy in the Office of the Mayor), as may be applicable upon the occurrence of each authorized action item; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

1. The Council hereby approves the Loan Agreement, which provides for the City's disbursement to the Successor Agency of the Loan Amount not to exceed \$21,066,770 to cover the portion of the Non-Housing DDR Demand Amount attributable to the DOF's compelled

reversal of payments previously made by the Former RDA to the City or related entities during the time period from January 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012.

- 2. The Mayor or designee is authorized and directed to execute the Loan Agreement, on the City's behalf, and to carry out the City's obligations under the Loan Agreement. A fullyexecuted copy of the Loan Agreement shall be placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR-
- 3. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to appropriate \$21,066,770 of the City's General Fund Reserves for the purpose of allowing the City to disburse loan funds to the Successor Agency under the Loan Agreement at the earliest opportunity.
- 4. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to cause the disbursement of the Loan Amount from the City to the Successor Agency in an amount not to exceed \$21,066,770 in accordance with the Loan Agreement at the earliest opportunity.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of 1/21/13.	
	ELIZABETH S. MALAND City Clerk By Club door Deputy City Clerk
Approved pursuant to Charter section 265(i):	
11/2113 (date)	DD GLORIA, Council President

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