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Resolution providing for a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh ("URA") pursuant to which the URA will act as agent for the City of Pittsburgh ("City") to acquire certain property at 950 Saw Mill Run Boulevard, in the 18th Ward of the City from the United States of America, represented by the Department of the Army ("Army") in consideration of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County ("RAAC"), acting in conjunction with the URA and City, acquiring and conveying to the Army certain properties in Moon Township, Pennsylvania, providing for payment by the City of the costs thereof and/or providing for transfer to the URA of funds necessary for payment of the costs thereof.

WHEREAS, the City desires to acquire the Lieutenant General Malcolm Hay United States Army Reserve Center at 950 Saw Mill Run Boulevard, in the 18th Ward of the City, comprising approximately 2.58 acres and a 31,124 square foot building ("Army Property") from the Army to use for municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Army will consider conveying title to the Army Property to the City or its agent, but only through an exchange of the Army Property; and

WHEREAS, the Army has identified certain properties located in the Township of Moon, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania ("Moon Township Property") which it is interested in acquiring in exchange for the Army Property; and

Whereas, the City desires to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the URA and designate the URA as its agent in connection with the transaction; and

WHEREAS, since neither the URA nor the City have the authority to acquire property outside the limits of the City for the proposed purpose, and the RAAC does not have the authority to acquire property within the City, it is necessary for the City, the URA and the RAAC to coordinate and act in conjunction with each other in order to accomplish the transaction; and

WHEREAS, URA and RAAC have indicated their willingness to act in coordination with each other and the City in effectuating the transaction; and

WHEREAS, since title to the Army Property will be conveyed to the City in conjunction with conveyance of the Moon Township Property to the Army, it is recognized that RAAC will not be acting on its own behalf, but

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rather in conjunction with and at the request of the URA and City in order to accomplish the transaction; and

WHEREAS, the City, URA and RAAC understand and acknowledge that the procedures required to accomplish the total transactions require the expenditure of certain costs and expenses prior to consummation of a definitive Agreement with the Army, and that the funds for payment of such costs and expenses must be provided by the City and that URA and RAAC will not be responsible for any such costs and expenses; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid costs and expenses will include, but not necessarily limited to the costs of acquiring the Moon Township Property, and with respect to the Moon Township Property preparation of an Engineering Feasibility Study, required environmental screenings and studies, an Environmental Baseline Study, testing deemed necessary pursuant to Department of Defense and Department of Army regulations, National Environmental Policy Act documentation, regulatory coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and preparation of a draft Finding of Suitability to Transfer.

**Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:**

**Section 1.** The Mayor and the Directors of the Departments of General Services and Public Works, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, are hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperation Agreement or Agreements with the URA, in form approved by the City Solicitor, for the purpose of designating the URA the City's agent to coordinate and act in conjunction with RAAC to do any and all acts necessary and proper to effectuate conveyances of the Army Property to the City and the Moon Township Property to the Army and to provide for payment by the City of all costs and expenses thereof in a sum not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), or to provide for the transfer to the URA of all or a portion of the aforesaid amount for payment by the URA of all or a portion of such expenses, in either event in a sum not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00).

SECTION 2. Funds for implementation of the Cooperation Agreement or Agreements in an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00), shall be appropriated for the same, chargeable to and payable from the following account:

ACCOUNT	FUND	ORG	SubClass	Project/Grant	BY	AMOUNT
600000	5100	820000		PGHPR	2267139	2002
\$400,000						
600000	5100	820000		PGHPR	2267139	1998
\$100,000						