

City of Pittsburgh

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Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Green Infrastructure Mini-Grant Agreement and a Project and Maintenance Agreement with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority and the Mount Washington Community Development Corporation in connection with the installation and maintenance of a Green Infrastructure Project in Emerald View Park.

WHEREAS, the City is the owner in fee of certain real property in the Duquesne Heights neighborhood known as Emerald View Park (the "Park") in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS the Mount Washington Community Development Corporation ("MWCDC") and the City have entered into a Cooperation Agreement whereby the MWCDC has agreed to provide co-stewardship and planning assistance to the City, and is currently working with area foundations, corporate and government sources for funding to restore and improve the natural habitat, create recreational opportunities and improve public enjoyment of certain City properties including the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority ("PWSA") Authority has established a Green Infrastructure Matching Grant Program (the "Grant Program") to provide financial assistance to certain qualified entities; and

WHEREAS, one objective of the Grant Program is to increase the use of green infrastructure in the City of Pittsburgh and reduce stormwater runoff that would otherwise have been discharged to PWSA's wastewater and stormwater system in order to improve and enhance water quality resources downstream; and

WHEREAS, another objective of the Grant Program is to increase public awareness of green infrastructure techniques for stormwater management using signage and/or educational programs; and

WHEREAS, the MWCDC applied for and was awarded a grant under the Grant Program to design, construct, and install a green infrastructure project known as the Republic Street Rain Garden (the "GI Project") in the Park; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of receiving funding for the GI Project, the applicable parties must also agree to certain maintenance obligations; and

WHEREAS, in light of the Grant awarded to MWCDC by PWSA, the City has agreed to provide the MWCDC with a license for the GI Project installation and to perform designated maintenance obligations.

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

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