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Resolution providing for the filing of applications by the Commonwealth of PA, Department of Human Services for grants in connection with the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN) and providing for the authorization to enter into agreements with various agencies and to pay for expenditures for costs to support, implement and administer the program. Cost not to exceed Three Million Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Four ($3,828,594) Dollars

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

Section 1. The Mayor and the City of Pittsburgh are hereby authorized to receive grants based on the filing of applications in the form required by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Human Services in connection with the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN); in order for grants to be made in connection with the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN).

SECTION 2. In the event that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Human Services should approve said applications through a grant to the City of Pittsburgh for contracts in connection therewith, the Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, on behalf of the City, is hereby authorized to execute said contracts. Said contracts shall be in a form approved by the City Solicitor and shall contain such terms and conditions as said Solicitor may require.

SECTION 3. The City of Pittsburgh, as a recipient of grant funds, will assume full responsibility for all funds which may be provided under the EARN Program. The City of Pittsburgh assures that said funds will be used in an economical and efficient manner in carrying out the EARN Program.

SECTION 4. The City of Pittsburgh hereby assures its full compliance with the implementation of the following:

1. Regulation of the United States Department of Labor effectuating Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and any amendments thereto;
2. Applicable laws relating to equal employment opportunity;
3. Federal labor standards imposed under Title VII of the Housing Act of 1961, as amended, where applicable;
4. Age Discrimination Act of 1975;
5. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973;
6. Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 on the basis of sex;
7. Americans with Disabilities Act;
8. Other certifications and/or assurances not related to expenditures as may be

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required by the Grantor and approved by the City Solicitor;

9. Lobbying Activities.

SECTION 5. Any two of the following four officers are hereby authorized to execute payment vouchers on grant contracts with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in connection with said project or projects:

Mayor

Controller

Director of the Department of Finance

Director of the Department of Human Resource and Civil Service

SECTION 6. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify the authenticity of the signature of the officers designated in the preceding section, in connection with the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN).

SECTION 7. The City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to deposit the funds referred in this Resolution into a bank account.

SECTION 8. The Mayor and the Director of the Department of Human Resources and Civil Service, on behalf of the City of Pittsburgh, are hereby authorized to enter into agreements with non-profit organizations, private-for-profit businesses, and various agencies to provide services including, but not limited to coordination, recruitment, outreach, assessment, support services, pre-vocational and/or vocational training, job search assistance, job counseling, remedial education, basic skills training, institutional skills training, on-the-job training, school-to-work transition activities, welfare-to-work, literacy training, work experience, vocational exploration, job development, pre-apprenticeship programs, disseminating information on program activities, follow-up services, program evaluations, and financial and personal counseling, and effectuation of grievance procedures and to provide payment for the costs thereof in order to support, implement, and administer the Joint Jobs Initiative Program Employment Advancement and Retention Network (EARN).

Said agreement or agreements shall be in a form approved by the City Solicitor and shall contain such terms and conditions as said Solicitor may require. The total amount payable under said agreement or agreements shall not exceed Three Million Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Four ($3,828,594) Dollars, chargeable to and payable from the JTPA/WIA Trust Fund: 1090230000.58101.00.

SECTION 9. The provider agreement or agreements shall be authorized as follows:

Educational Data Systems, Inc. - $466,965.00 for Job Placement Services
Educational Data Systems, Inc. - $ 50,000.00 for Administration
Goodwill of Southwestern PA - $314,550.00 for Job Placement Services

Goodwill of Southwestern PA - $645,002.94 for Intake Services
PADCO - $272,025.00 for Job Placement Services