

RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-_____

A RESOLUTION authorizing acceptance of a \$8,700,000 grant from the Washington State Department of Ecology for the purpose of removal or remediation of the landfill contamination at the Cascade Mill redevelopment site.

WHEREAS, The City of Yakima established that redevelopment of the Cascade Mill site was an Economic Development Priority that would bring significant opportunity to the City of Yakima in terms of new employment, improved infrastructure, reduction of traffic congestion and provide environmental cleanup of the former municipal landfill; and

WHEREAS, The City Council entered into Agreed Order No. DE15861 with Department of Ecology to formalize the participation of the City in the environmental cleanup of the landfill site, which included an Interim Action Work Plan. The Interim Action Work Plan (IAWP) allowed the City to conduct limited remediation within the street corridor prior to remediation of the remaining landfill area; and

WHEREAS, The City of applied for and has tentatively been granted funding from the Washington State Remedial Action Grant program; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted a grant application to the Washington State Department of Ecology for \$8,700,000 for the purpose landfill cleanup and has been offered this funding. The City will be responsible for a 25% match of \$2.9 million. Financing of the project will likely involve a General Obligation Bond of which the details are pending; and

WHEREAS, the funding from this grant agreement will be available to the City of Yakima for the Interim Action Work Plan project, with supplemental funding from the Local Infrastructure Financing Tool (LIFT) program, along with other sources of funds, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YAKIMA:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to finalize the acceptance of the grant and execute the Agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology in the amount of Eight Million, Seven-hundred thousand dollars (\$8,700,000) in State Remedial Action Grant funds to implement remediation and removal of contamination at the Cascade Mill Redevelopment Area within the City of Yakima. A copy of the agreement is attached hereto.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____, 2020.

ATTEST:

Patricia Byers, Mayor

Sonya Claar Tee, City Clerk