

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO ACCEPT THE GRANT AWARD FOR THE BROWNFIELD ASSESSMENT PILOT PROJECT, FUNDED BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION FIVE

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 20, 2001

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County has committed to collaboration with other governmental units and providing leadership for long term county-wide sustainable development and redevelopment incorporating a diversified economy, environmental protection, and social needs; and

WHEREAS, the fragmentation of land parcels and overall loss of acreage have impacted open space and natural areas in Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, to preserve the rural character and valuable natural features of the area, the County has made it a priority to encourage more efficient use of the land that will provide for sustainable growth, protect valued natural resources, preserve important agricultural and open space lands, while also encouraging growth and economic revitalization in depressed areas; and

WHEREAS, one of the solutions to the rapid urbanization of agricultural land is to provide new opportunities for residential and commercial developments within existing urban boundaries helping to ease the pressure to develop greenfields in outlying areas, thus slowing the rate of urban sprawl; and

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners approved the creation of the Washtenaw County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (WCBRA) in May 1999 (99-0110) in accordance with the Michigan Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, Public Act 381 of 1996, as amended to facilitate the redevelopment of environmentally contaminated and underutilized properties located in participating municipalities; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to identify, prioritize and assess potential brownfield properties within Washtenaw County and provide community outreach throughout the process to integrate brownfield redevelopment in all local land use planning efforts.

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County has been offered an EPA Brownfield Assessment Pilot Grant in the amount of \$200,000 by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to fulfill these purposes.

WHEREAS, this matter has been reviewed by the Finance Office, Corporation Counsel, the County Administrator, and the Ways and Means Committee.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Administrator to accept the grant award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency for the Brownfield Assessment Pilot Project grant in the amount of \$200,000 for a two year period from 2001 to 2003, as on file with the County Clerk

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners takes the following actions:

1. Authorizing the Administrator to sign a cooperative agreement with the US EPA to be filed with the County Clerk
2. Amending the budget, as attached hereto and made a part hereof
3. Authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts upon review of Corporation Counsel to be filed with the County Clerk

DEIS
Brownfield Assessment Pilot Project Budget
Business Unit 1765016200

	Current Budget	Revised Budget	Variance
Revenue:			
50000 Federal Revenue	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
TOTAL	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
Expenditure:			
70050 Personal Services	\$0	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
72600 Supplies/Other	\$0	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
80000 Other Services	\$0	\$164,000	\$164,000
TOTAL	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000