Title: Creation of a fund and approval of a Budget Transfer to facilitate the use of EPA ARRA Brownfield Assessment Grant awarded in July 9, 2009

Recommended Action: By motion, approve the creation of Fund 506 (EPA Assistance ID#: 2B-00T17401-0) and a Budget Amendment Request in the amount of $400,000 for the purpose of initiating and completing the EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant program

Background Information: On July 9, 2009, the City was awarded a $400,000 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under their Brownfield Assessment Program. The grant was provided through federal stimulus funding for the purpose of conducting community-wide assessments of potential brownfield sites contaminated with petroleum and hazardous substances. The City will prioritize various areas within the community and follow with Phase I and Phase II assessments at selected sites. Funds will also be used to conduct public outreach and community involvement. Based upon the U.S. EPA Cooperative Agreement, signed by Mayor Swarthout on July 21, 2009, the EPA agrees to 100% cost share of all approved budget period costs incurred up to $400,000, within the budget period of three years, August 1, 2009 to October 31, 2012. With the receipt of the EPA Cooperative Agreement, dated July 9, 2009, the City is allowed to incur costs; however, in order to do so, the City must approve the attached Budget Amendment Request and create a budget and specific fund.

Funds Available: Yes

Route to be Reviewed by:

City Administrator
Community Development Director

Action:
Approved
Denied

Approved with Modifications
Other

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