

RESOLUTION NO. 26106

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA TO BE A MEMBER OF A BROWNFIELDS COALITION WITH OTHER REGIONAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES IN ORDER TO APPLY FOR A BROWNFIELD COALITION GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, IN THE AMOUNT UP TO ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000.00).

WHEREAS, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has funds available to provide assessments for Brownfields, including old industrial sites, commercial properties, mine-scarred lands, and sites with possible petroleum contamination, and

WHEREAS, there are many properties within the City of Chattanooga that meet the definition of Brownfields as described by EPA, and

WHEREAS, EPA provides increased funding for grant applicants that form partnerships with other local government entities, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County, Tennessee, the City of Rossville, Georgia and the Southeast Tennessee Development District/ Chattanooga Area Regional Council of Government in coordination with the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Regional Planning Agency are interested in submitting a Brownfields Coalition grant application in partnership with the City of Chattanooga, and

WHEREAS, a Brownfields Coalition grant would provide up to \$ 1 million in funds to provide assessments for properties throughout Chattanooga, Hamilton County, North Georgia and the Development District and

WHEREAS, because of its growing expertise and experience in Brownfields assessment and planning, Chattanooga Hamilton-County Regional Planning Agency is ideally positioned to

coordinate the Coalition's initiatives and to serve as the Lead Agency and grant recipient for the forthcoming Assessment grant.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute and submit all documents related to the Brownfields Coalition application and enter into such agreements necessary for the successful development of the application and subsequent implementation of the project should funding be awarded.

ADOPTED: October 13, 2009

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