

RESOLUTION NO. 04-07

A RESOLUTION
TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA FINDING A BLIGHTED AREA EXISTS IN THE CITY OF PENSACOLA IN AN AREA KNOWN AS THE WESTSIDE NEIGHBORHOODS AREA; FINDING THAT THE REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION OR REDEVELOPMENT OF SUCH AREA IS NECESSARY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST; REAFFIRMING THE CREATION OF THE PENSACOLA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY; DESIGNATING THE WESTSIDE NEIGHBORHOODS COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Pensacola on September 25, 1980, by adoption of Resolution No. 54-80 did find and declare that there existed in the City of Pensacola a blighted area known as the Pensacola Inner City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Pensacola on September 25, 1980, by adoption of Resolution No. 55-80, created and designated itself as a Community Redevelopment Agency for the purpose of carrying out redevelopment in the Pensacola Inner City pursuant to the Community Redevelopment Act of 1969, Section 163, Part III, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Pensacola on October 22, 1981, by adoption of Resolution No. 65-81, reaffirmed the finding of blight for a portion of the Pensacola Inner City which is not the subject of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, data and analysis presented in the *Westside Neighborhoods Area Finding of Necessity Report, January 2007*, support a finding and determination that the Westside Neighborhoods Area, a part of the Pensacola Inner City more particularly described herein, is and remains a blighted area and that the rehabilitation, conservation or redevelopment, of said area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, morals or welfare of the residents of the City of Pensacola;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the authority granted by the Community Redevelopment Act of 1969, Section 163, Part III, Florida Statutes.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS. The definition of terms as provided in Section 163.340, Florida Statutes are hereby adopted by reference whenever used or referred to in this Resolution. The terms "Pensacola Inner City," and "Westside Neighborhoods Area" mean the areas within the territorial boundaries of the City of Pensacola, Florida, as outlined on the maps attached hereto. "Westside Neighborhoods Area" is more particularly described in Subsection 3A herein.

SECTION 3. FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS. The City Council of the City of Pensacola finds and determines as follows:

- A. One or more slum or blighted areas, or one or more areas in which there is a shortage of housing affordable to residents of low or moderate income, including the elderly, exists within the City of Pensacola. One such blighted area, the Westside Neighborhoods Area, is described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of the current City Limits line, as of January 11, 2007, and the Westerly right-of-way line of the Alabama and Gulf Coast Railway, LLC where they intersect Bayou Chico; thence Easterly and Northerly along said City Limits line, to its intersection with the Easterly right-of-way line of 'E' Street; thence Southerly along said Easterly right-of-way line to its intersection with the Northerly right-of-way line of the alley in Blocks 10, 11, 30, and 31, of the West King Tract; thence Easterly along said Southerly right-of-way line to the Easterly right-of-way line of 'A' Street; the Southerly along said Easterly right-of-way line to the Southerly right-of-way line of Gimble Street; thence Westerly along said Southerly right-of-way line to the Easterly right-of-way line of 'F' Street; thence Southerly along said Easterly right-of-way line to the Southerly right-of-way line of Pine Street; thence Westerly along said Southerly right-of-way line and the former Southerly right-of-way line of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway (now abandoned Bayshore Line), to the Westerly right-of-way line of 'K' Street; thence Northerly along said Westerly right-of-way line to its intersection with the Northerly right-of-way line of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway (now abandoned Bayshore Line); thence Westerly along said Northerly right-of-way line to the Westerly right-of-way line of 'L' Street; thence Northerly along said Westerly right-of-way line to its intersection with the Westerly right-of-way line of the Alabama and Gulf Coast Railway, LLC; thence Northwesterly along said right-of-way line to the Point of Beginning.

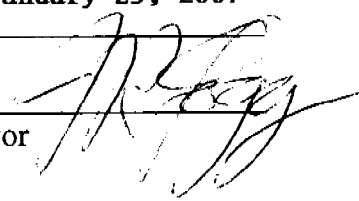
- B. The data and analysis provided in the *Westside Neighborhoods Area Finding of Necessity Report*, January 2007, attached hereto as Exhibit A, provide substantial evidence indicating that the Westside Neighborhoods Area is a blighted area as defined by Section 163.340, Florida Statutes.
- C. The existence of blight in the Westside Neighborhoods Area substantially impairs the sound growth of the municipality and is a threat to the public health, safety, morals and welfare of the residents of the City, and that the existence of blight further creates an economic and social liability by


hindering development, reducing employment opportunity, retarding construction and improvement of housing accommodations, causing an excessive proportion of public expenditures for crime prevention and other forms of public services, and depressing the tax base.

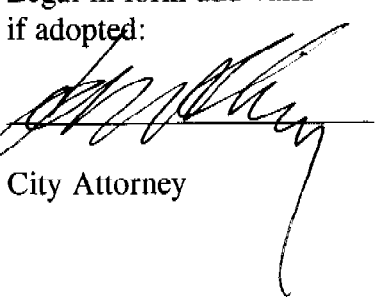
- D. The rehabilitation, conservation, and redevelopment or a combination thereof of the Westside Neighborhoods Area, including, if appropriate, the development of housing which residents of low or moderate income, including the elderly, can afford, is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, morals and welfare of the residents of the City of Pensacola to eliminate, remedy and prevent conditions of blight.
- E. The City further finds and determines that the Westside Neighborhoods Area is appropriate for redevelopment projects and that the rehabilitation, conservation and redevelopment of such area are necessary in the public interest.
- F. The City further designates the Westside Neighborhoods Area a Community Redevelopment Area.
- G. The Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Pensacola shall have oversight of rehabilitation, conservation and redevelopment within the Westside Neighborhoods Area.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council.

Adopted: January 25, 2007

Approved: 
Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Legal in form and valid
if adopted:

City Attorney