RESOLUTION
NO. 41-05

A RESOLUTION
TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
PENSACOLA FINDING THE EASTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD
AREA A BLIGHTED AREA EXISTING IN THE CITY OF
PENSACOLA; FINDING THAT THE REHABILITATION,
CONSERVATION OR REDEVELOPMENT OF SUCH AREA
IS NECESSARY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST, FINDING
THAT THE EASTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD AREA IS
APPROPRIATE FOR REDEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Pensacola on September 25, 1980, by
adoption of Resolution No. 54-80 and reaffirmation by Resolution No. 65-81 on October 22,
1981, did find and declare that there existed in the City of Pensacola a blighted area and that
the rehabilitation, conservation or redevelopment, of said area was necessary in the interest of
the public health, safety, morals or welfare of the residents of the City of Pensacola, and

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2000 by adoption of Ordinance No. 47-00, the City
Council of the City of Pensacola did determine that there existed a distressed area within that
portion of the City determined to be blighted and did designate such distressed area an Urban
Infill and Redevelopment Area pursuant to Section 163.2511 Florida Statutes, and did adopt an
Urban Infill and Redevelopment Area Plan pursuant thereto, and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2004 the City Council of the City of Pensacola
did approve the Eastside Neighborhood Plan, which plan did recommend the employment of
Tax Increment Financing as a tool to assist in the revitalization of this Urban Infill and
Redevelopment Area neighborhood.

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 “Growth Policy Act,” Sections 163.2511 – 163.2526, 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,” “Urban Infill and Redevelopment Area” and
“Eastside Neighborhood” mean the areas within the territorial boundaries of the City of
Pensacola, Florida, as outlined on the maps attached hereto. “Eastside Neighborhood” 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 Eastside Neighborhood, is described as follows:

Commence at the intersection of the southerly right-of-way line of Cervantes Street and the westerly right-of-way line of Hayne Street for the Point of Beginning; thence northerly along the westerly right-of-way line of Hayne Street to the southerly right-of-way line of Cross Street; thence northerly along the City limit line to the northerly right-of-way line of Baars Street; thence easterly along the northerly right-of-way line of Baars Street to the easterly right-of-way line of 6th Avenue; thence southerly along the easterly right-of-way line of 6th Avenue to the northerly right-of-way line of Mallory Street; thence easterly along the northerly right-of-way line of Mallory Street to the easterly right-of-way line of 8th Avenue; thence southerly along the easterly right-of-way line of 8th Avenue to the northerly right-of-way line of Lee Street; thence easterly along the northerly right-of-way line of Lee Street to the westerly right-of-way line of 9th Avenue; thence southerly along the westerly right-of-way line of 9th Avenue to the southerly right-of-way line of Cervantes Street; thence westerly along the southerly right-of-way line of Cervantes Street to the Point of Beginning.

B. The statistical findings and indicators of blight provided in the Eastside Neighborhood Finding of Blight Report, incorporated herein by reference, provide substantial evidence indicating the Eastside Neighborhood is a blighted area as defined by Section 163.340, Florida Statutes.

C. The existence of blight in the Eastside Neighborhood 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 Eastside Neighborhood, 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 Eastside Neighborhood is appropriate for redevelopment projects and that the rehabilitation, conservation and redevelopment of such area are necessary in the public interest.

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

Adopted: October 13, 2005

Approved: 

Mayor

Attest:

Shirley J. White
City Clerk

Legal in form and valid if adopted:

City Attorney