

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SEDGWICK COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN A CONSORTIUM OF COUNTIES AND OTHER ENTITIES TO APPLY FOR A HUD SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REGIONAL PLANNING GRANT AND TO ACT AS THE FISCAL AGENT FOR THE HUD SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES REGIONAL PLANNING GRANT SHOULD SAID GRANT BE AWARDED TO THE CONSORTIUM

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has invited the Regional Economic Area Partnership (REAP) to apply for a Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant program requires REAP to establish a regional consortium which may consist of the counties of Sedgwick, Butler, Harvey, Reno and Sumner and the cities of Wichita, El Dorado, Newton, Hutchinson, and Wellington, as well as the Wichita Area Metropolitan Area Planning Organization and other private and non-profit entities within the region, for the purposes of submitting a HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant application; and

WHEREAS, the grant program, if awarded, would last three years, and would result in a coordinated plan for sustainable development for the five-county region to help build our region's capacity to compete in the global economy.

WHEREAS, REAP desires to submit the grant application, implement the grant and carry out the duties of the consortium. REAP is proposing to hire a project manager to oversee the development of the plan; and

WHEREAS, Sedgwick County has been asked to serve as fiscal agent for the consortium. As fiscal agent, Sedgwick County would pay the grant-related bills of the consortium and then seek reimbursement from HUD for its expenditures. Sedgwick County would also be responsible for preparing and submitting the grant financial reports and complying with any related fiscal audit requirements; and

WHEREAS, there is no cash match requirement from the County and no County staff will be added to work on this grant. In order to contribute to the required local match for the grant, there will be the following 'in-kind' contribution of County leveraged resources:

Code Enforcement Director salary and benefit costs	\$9,060
Housing Director salary and benefit costs	\$6,942
Economic Developer salary and benefit costs	\$5,212
Program Director benefits costs	\$13,693
Indirect administration costs	\$85,800
TOTAL IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION	\$120,707

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners recognizes that metropolitan and multi-jurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments are essential for the long-term economic stability of Sedgwick County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, is authorized to support planning, community and economic development in Sedgwick County under K.S.A. 19-101 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners deems it appropriate and necessary to adopt this resolution that will state Sedgwick County's commitment to: participate in the proposed consortium; provide in-kind match of County staff time; and serve as fiscal agent for the grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS that:

1. Sedgwick County, Kansas intends to participate in the Consortium in support of REAP's application for the HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant.
2. Should HUD award said grant to REAP, Sedgwick County, Kansas, does hereby agree to act as the fiscal agent for the grant program for the Consortium.
3. The County Commission Chairman or his authorized designee shall be and is hereby authorized to execute and deliver all conveyances, affidavits, contracts, documents and instruments necessary to effect this resolution.
4. This resolution shall be effective upon passage by the Board of County Commissioners.

Dated this _____ day of September, 2011.

Commissioners present and voting were:

DAVID M. UNRUH	_____
TIM R. NORTON	_____
KARL PETERJOHN	_____
RICHARD RANZAU	_____
JAMES B. SKELTON	_____

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

ATTEST:

KELLY B. ARNOLD, County Clerk

DAVID M. UNRUH, Chairman
Commissioner, First District

TIM R. NORTON, Chair Pro Tem
Commissioner, Second District

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



RICHARD A. EUSON
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Commissioner, Third District

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Commissioner, Fourth District

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