

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**AUTHORIZATION FOR BEECHER TERRACE
ARCHEOLOGICAL CURATION**

Item No. 5e

WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro Housing Authority (LMHA) approved archeological exploration of the Beecher Terrace site as a component of the required environmental assessment for the Russell Choice Neighborhoods Grant; and

WHEREAS, the on-site field archeological exploration has been completed and there are approximately 162 boxes of artifacts that must be officially curated in an approved facility; and

WHEREAS, The University of Kentucky and The University of Louisville are approved curation facilities; and

WHEREAS, the price for curation from The University of Louisville is \$500.00 a box and the price from The University of Kentucky is \$250.00 a box; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that curation of the archeological items secured from the Beecher Terrace site be curated at the University of Kentucky at a one-time cost not to exceed \$45,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISVILLE METRO HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that the Executive Director and Contracting Officer, Lisa Osanka, is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the University of Kentucky for the curation of the Beecher Terrace artifacts in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.

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I. STATEMENT OF FACTS:

Funds have been received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the Capital Fund Program for archeological exploration of the Beecher Terrace site as a component of the required environmental assessment of the Russell Choice Neighborhoods Grant. The field archeological work has been completed and the items retrieved have been cataloged and are ready for curation. Curation is required at an approved curation facility. The University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville are approved curation sites.

The price for curation from The University of Louisville is \$500.00 a box and the price from The University of Kentucky is \$250.00 a box. There will be approximately 162 boxes that require curation. Based on cost, staff recommends that the artifacts retrieved from the Beecher Terrace archeological exploration be curated at the University of Kentucky.

II. ALTERNATIVES:

- A. Approve an agreement with the University of Kentucky for curation of the artifacts retrieved in conjunction with the archeological exploration of Beecher Terrace.
- B. Do not enter into an agreement with the University of Kentucky for curation of the artifacts retrieved in conjunction with the archeological exploration of Beecher Terrace and seek other options.

III. RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Alternative "A".

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IV. JUSTIFICATION:

- The artifacts retrieved in conjunction with the archeological exploration of Beecher Terrace require curation at an accredited facility.

V. BUDGET APPROVAL:

Funding for this project is provided from the Capital Fund Program.

Angela Larsson, Director of Finance

Date

VI. PROCUREMENT CERTIFICATION:

The procurement of this contract is in compliance with the Louisville Metro Housing Authority's procurement policies and procedures.

Steven Webb, Purchasing Agent

Date

Submitted by: Bernard Pincus, Director
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