




CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE,
MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

Office of the Executive Director

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TO: Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone

FROM: Michael F. Glavin, Executive Director 

DATE: April 5, 2012

SUBJECT: Request to Accept and Authorize Expenditure of 3 one-time Cleanup Grants in the amount of \$200,000 each (\$600,000 aggregate) from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) targeted toward the former Kiley Barrel Site

The Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) respectfully request that you forward to the Board of Aldermen this report requesting their acceptance and authorization to expend 3 one-time cleanup grants from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. These grants will be used for cleanup activities at the former Kiley Barrel site, as mandated by the Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA) and the Mass Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP).

BACKGROUND

In 2010, the Patrick/Murray Administration selected the former Kiley Barrel site for additional assistance from its Brownfield Support Team (BST). The BST is comprised of representatives from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), MassDevelopment, the Office of the Attorney General, the Metropolitan Regional Planning Commission and the City. The BST's purpose is to focus resources on particular brownfield sites to foster redevelopment.

OSPCD is actively submitting applications to federal and state sources for additional cleanup dollars. This EPA award is enough to fund a "temporary closure" in compliance with MassDEP's regulations. Additional funding (~\$700,000) is required to bring the site to a "permanent solution". The temporary closure of the site is anticipated to be complete by spring 2013.

This award requires a 20% match (\$120,000). OSPCD recently submitted an application to



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MassDevelopment for a \$1,080,000 grant for additional cleanup funds. The \$120,000 match has been budgeted within the MassDevelopment Scope of Work budget. If the City is not awarded the MassDevelopment grant, the 20% match will be met with CDBG funds.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

It is recommended that the Board of Aldermen:

1. Accept the \$600,000 grant from the EPA to fund cleanup activities at the former Kiley Barrel site; and
2. Authorize the expenditure of the \$600,000 EPA grant toward the cleanup activities at the former Kiley Barrel site.