



Councilmember Ben Bartlett  
District 3

CONSENT CALENDAR  
February 14, 2017

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Councilmember Ben Bartlett & Councilmember Kriss Worthington  
Subject: Black History Month and Berkeley Juneteenth Festival: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Fund to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500 per Councilmember, including \$500 from both Councilmember Bartlett and Councilmember Worthington, to Black History Month and Berkeley Juneteenth Festival (organized by Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc. 501(c)3), with funds relinquished to the City's general fund for this purpose from the discretionary council office budget of Councilmembers Bartlett and Worthington and any other councilmembers who would like to contribute.

BACKGROUND

The Black History Month Celebration and the Berkeley Juneteenth Festival are organized by non-profit organization Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc. to promote greater societal growth and community cohesiveness in the City of Berkeley and surrounding environments through educating and involving people of color in historical, family, economic, business, and cultural activities.

The Berkeley Black History Month Celebration will be held on Sunday February 28, 2016 from 2PM to 5PM at the Ed Roberts Campus, 3075 Adeline St, Berkeley. The Berkeley Juneteenth Festival is held annually in June in south Berkeley's Alcatraz-Adeline corridor. More information regarding both events is available on [berkeleyjuneteenth.org](http://berkeleyjuneteenth.org)

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

\$500 from the discretionary council office budget of Councilmembers Bartlett and Worthington.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

No impact.

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RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE  
EXPENSE ACCOUNTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS FOR A GRANT  
TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SERVICES FOR A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Councilmembers Bartlett and Worthington have surplus funds in their office expenditure account; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax-exempt corporation – Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc. – will receive funds in the amount of \$500; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purpose: Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc. (BJAI) promotes societal growth and community cohesiveness in the City of Berkeley and surrounding environments through educating and involving people of color in historical, family, business, and cultural activities; and

WHEREAS, BJAJ hosts various activities including Black History Month Celebrations and the Berkeley Juneteenth Festival; and

WHEREAS, cultural celebrations are critical to the social and spiritual unity of our community, and are integrated into BJAJ events; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that funds relinquished by the Mayor and Councilmembers from their council office budget of up to \$500 per office shall be granted to Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc.