



Office of the Mayor

CONSENT CALENDAR

November 28, 2017

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Mayor Jesse Arreguín

Subject: Inaugural Resiliency Fair: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$250 per Councilmember, including \$250 from Mayor Jesse Arreguín, to the Berkeley Adult School. Funds will be relinquished to the City's General Fund for this purpose from the discretionary Office Budgets of Mayor Jesse Arreguín and any Councilmembers who would like to contribute.

BACKGROUND

After multiple events and festivals in Berkeley were cancelled during the second week of October due to poor air quality conditions because of smoke from the nearby devastating North Bay fires, community members came together with the idea of having a Resiliency Fair. This event is being hosted by the Berkeley Adult School on Saturday, December 2 from 10am-2pm. It will feature a bilingual health fair, emergency and evacuation training, crop and seed swaps, and brief courses relating to resiliency.

A list of groups and organizations involved in this event include, but are not limited to Multicultural Institute, Transition Berkeley, Berkeley Youth Alternative, Berkeley Community Gardening Collective, Berkeley Disaster Preparedness Neighborhood Network, Berkeley Fire Department, Berkeley Adult School, Berkeley Unified School District, Berkeley Recreation Division, and Berkeley Times.

Funds raised will go towards the hiring of security and a custodian, a bouncy-house, and appearance fees for local performers.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

\$250 from the Mayor's D-13 account and other Councilmembers who wish to contribute.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

No adverse effects to the environment.

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

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

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS TO THE BERKELEY ADULT SCHOOL

WHEREAS, Mayor Arreguín has surplus funds in his office expenditure account; and

WHEREAS, on December 2, 2017, the Berkeley Adult School is hosting the inaugural Resiliency Fair; and

WHEREAS, the event was proposed by community members in response to the cancellation of multiple events and festivals in the second week of October 2017 due to poor air quality conditions because of smoke from the nearby devastating North Bay fires; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax exempt corporation Berkeley Adult School seeks funds in the amount of \$1,000 to cover the costs of the event; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such funds would fulfill the following municipal public purpose: providing information relating to emergency and evacuation training, a health fair, and programs on resiliency and sustainability.

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 up to \$250 per office shall be granted to Berkeley Adult School.