



Councilmember Cheryl Davila
District 2

CONSENT CALENDAR
September 25, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmembers Cheryl Davila, Kate Harrison and Ben Bartlett

Subject: Community-Based Disaster Preparedness Fair: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution to approve the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$250 per Councilmember, including \$250 from Councilmembers Cheryl Davila, Kate Harrison and Ben Bartlett to the Berkeley Disaster Preparedness Neighborhood Network for their Community-based Disaster Preparedness Fair on October 20, 2018, with funds relinquished to the City's general fund for this purpose from the discretionary Council Office Budgets of Councilmember Davila and any other Councilmembers who would like to contribute.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

No General Fund impact; \$250 is available from Councilmembers Cheryl Davila, Kate Harrison and Ben Bartlett's Council Office Budget discretionary accounts (budget codes 010-0224-410, 010- 0243-410, 010-0233-410).

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Community-based Disaster Preparedness advances the goals of Climate Emergency Declaration and Climate Action Plan by educating and preparing the community for a disaster preparedness.

BACKGROUND

The Berkeley Disaster Preparedness Neighborhood Network (BDPNN) is a volunteer organization formed in 2009 by neighborhood leaders to address the gap between the training and support capabilities of the City of Berkeley and the needs of neighborhoods preparing for disasters. BDPNN's mission is to assist Berkeley households and neighborhoods to respond effectively to disasters by further developing organizational skills, human and material resources, and responsiveness through sharing experiences, seeking expert advice, enhanced training and information sharing.

BDPNN is organizing a public community-based event to demonstrate that a cohesive and resilient community is the best way to prepare for a disaster. The effort will be planned and executed by a coalition of community groups and individuals, featuring demonstrations of disaster response techniques, and information on how best to prepare for various scenarios. The event will focus on the positive power of community, not fear. Presenters will include Berkeley resident CERT instructors, Berkeley Disaster Prep Neighborhood Network, East Bay Disaster and Disability Rights Group, NALCO (ham radio), BeCERTAINN (radio operators), and others.

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ATTACHMENT:

1: Resolution

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

AUTHORIZING 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, Councilmember Cheryl Davila has surplus funds in her office expenditure account (budget code 010-0224-410); and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax-exempt corporation Berkeley Disaster Preparedness Neighborhood Network (BDPNN) will hold their Community-Based Disaster Preparedness Fair on October 20, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Community-Based Disaster Preparedness Fair seeks to demonstrate that a cohesive and resilient community is the best way to prepare for a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the event will focus on the positive power of community, not fear; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley needs a humanitarian, unified, resiliency-based approach to preparing and responding to the disasters it may face such as earthquakes, fires, sea level rise, and other climate change-related disasters; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley needs community preparation to respond to the possibility of active shooters; and

WHEREAS, in mass disasters, such as the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake, the community may have to rely on each other given the demand on City and County emergency responders.

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 Disaster Preparedness Neighborhood Network (BDPNN) for their Community-Based Disaster Preparedness Fair on October 20, 2018.

