



CITY COUNCILMEMBER  
**RIGEL ROBINSON**  
 DISTRICT 7

ACTION CALENDAR  
 June 25, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
 From: Councilmembers Rigel Robinson and Kate Harrison  
 Subject: Waiver of Fees for Trash Corral Pilot Program

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution waiving the Minor Encroachment Permit application and permit fees and the Miscellaneous Permit to Construct fees required by both the Telegraph Business Improvement District and the Downtown Berkeley Association for the installation of their pilot trash corrals.

BACKGROUND

The Telegraph Business Improvement District (TBID) and the Downtown Berkeley Association (DBA) are each currently in the process of piloting “trash corrals,” small structures designed to contain the waste bins used by businesses in their jurisdiction. These corrals are designed to help the bins take up less space, make trash collection easier, and provide a more pleasing streetscape. The pilot in each district consists of the installation of one corral; more may be added after the pilot is complete. The corral in the Telegraph district will be painted with murals to add an artistic element to the project and increase the general beauty of the district; the Downtown corral may also have a mural.

Because they are being constructed on city sidewalks, the corrals each require a minor encroachment permit and a miscellaneous permit to construct. TBID and DBA are each being assessed a \$454 application fee and a \$1,228 permit fee for the minor encroachment permit and a \$339.10 fee for the miscellaneous permit to construct, for a total between both projects of \$4,042.20.

TBID and DBA have requested that the council waive these fees in order to ensure that the pilots are financially viable. They are each using their own funds to design and build the corrals, and are only seeking the City’s support in removing this financial barrier. In reducing the impact of trash bins on pedestrian foot traffic, easing waste pickup, and providing beautification through public art, these corrals provide broad public benefit. The Council should therefore grant this waiver.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Reduction in revenue to the Public Works Department by \$4,042.20.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Consistent with the City’s environmental goals.

CONTACT PERSON

Bloody Thursday and People's Park Resolution

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Councilmember Rigel Robinson, (510) 981-7170

Attachments:

1: Resolution

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

WAIVE THE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE MINOR ENCROACHMENT PERMIT  
AND MISCELLANEOUS PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT FOR THE PILOT TRASH  
CORRAL PROJECTS BY BOTH THE TELEGRAPH BID AND DOWNTOWN  
BERKELEY ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the Telegraph Business Improvement District and the Downtown Berkeley Association are each currently in the process of piloting “trash corrals,” small structures designed to contain the waste bins used by businesses in their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, these corrals are designed to help the bins take up less space, make trash collection easier, and provide a more pleasing streetscape; and

WHEREAS, one or both will be painted with murals to add an artistic element to the project and increase the general beauty of the Telegraph and Downtown districts; and

WHEREAS, since these corrals are being constructed on city sidewalks, they require Minor Encroachment Permits, with an associated \$454 application fee and \$1,228 permit fee, and Miscellaneous Permits to Construct, with an associated \$339.10 fee, for a total between both projects of \$4,042.20; and

WHEREAS, TBID and DBA have requested that the council waive these fees in order to ensure that the pilots are financially viable; and

WHEREAS, TBID and DBA are each using their own funds to design and build the corrals, and are only seeking the City’s support in removing this financial barrier.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that by reducing the impact of trash bins on pedestrian foot traffic, easing waste pickup, and providing beautification through public art, these corrals provide broad public benefit.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Berkeley waives the aforementioned fees.

