To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Councilmember Arreguín
Subject: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds to Berkeley Foundation for the Arts

RECOMMENDATION
Adopt a Resolution to approve the expenditure of $750 to the Berkeley Foundation for the Arts with funds relinquished to the City’s General Fund for this purpose from Councilmember Arreguín’s discretionary Council Office Budget.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION
No General Fund impact; $750 is available from Councilmember Arreguín’s Council Office Budget.

BACKGROUND
We are proposing that the City Council make a grant of $750 to Berkeley Foundation for the Arts, working in conjunction with North Shattuck Business Association, ACCI Gallery, MLK Middle School, neighborhood residents and businesses, and local youth to design and execute a large-scale mural on the south-facing wall of 1690 Shattuck Avenue. The design will honor the history and power of sustainable food, local farmers, and food justice.

CONTACT PERSON
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Attachment:

1. Resolution
RESOLUTION NO

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE COUNCIL OFFICE BUDGET OF COUNCILMEMBER JESSE ARREGUÍN TO BERKELEY FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS FOR DESIGNING AND EXECUTING A LARGE-SCALE MURAL ON THE SOUTH-FACING WALL OF 1690 SHATTUCK AVENUE

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jesse Arreguín has surplus funds in his council office budget (budget code 010-0242-410) and wishes to relinquish $750 of these funds; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax exempt corporation Berkeley Foundation for the Arts (Tax ID: 71 0889634) seeks funds in the amount of $750 to provide in conjunction with North Shattuck Business Association, ACCI Gallery, MLK Middle School, neighborhood residents and businesses, and local youth to design and execute a large-scale mural on the south-facing wall of 1690 Shattuck Avenue. The design will honor the history and power of sustainable food, local farmers, and food justice and will help beautify Shattuck Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purpose:

To facilitate a community meeting to generate ideas for the mural and community paint days so that all can participate in the creation of this historic mural.

**Community Outreach**: To provide outlets for creative cooperation between local businesses, activists, artists, and community members. Each phase of the project involves building relationships with a diverse array of people and organizations working for sustainability.

**Engaging Local Youth**: To create opportunities for local youth to be leaders in their communities. These leadership opportunities will involve projects such as; networking with sustainable urban agriculture organizations, organizing and painting of the mural, as well promotional campaigns including the filming of a documentary.

**Celebrating Sustainable Foods**: To provide local restaurants and food activists with opportunities to connect to the community. A main goal of this project is to celebrate the abundance of people, businesses and organizations that have a commitment to sustainable food systems.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that funds relinquished by Councilmember Jesse Arreguín from his Council Office Budget in the amount of $750 shall be granted to Berkeley Foundation for the Arts to fund the design and execution a large-scale mural on the south-facing wall of 1690 Shattuck Avenue.