



Councilmember Ben Bartlett
City of Berkeley, District 3

CONSENT CALENDAR
February 13, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Councilmembers Ben Bartlett, Sophie Hahn, and Cheryl Davila
Subject: Black History Month: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Fund to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of funds, including \$250 from Councilmember Bartlett, to Black History Month and Berkeley Juneteenth Festival (organized by Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc. 501(c)3). The funds should be relinquished to the City's general fund for this purpose from the discretionary council office budget of Councilmember Bartlett and any other Councilmembers who would like to contribute.

BACKGROUND

The Black History Month Celebration is 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 25, 2018 from 1pm to 5pm at the Ed Roberts Campus, 3075 Adeline St, Berkeley.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

\$250 from Councilmember Bartlett's discretionary funds and any other councilmembers who wish to contribute.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY:

No impact.

CONTACT PERSON

Councilmember Ben Bartlett, 510-981-7130

ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution

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 has surplus funds in his office expenditure account; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax-exempt corporation – Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc. – will receive the funds; 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.

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 an amount to be determined by each Councilmember, shall be granted to Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc.