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[Settlement of Lawsuits - Justice Operating Co. LLC, and Justice Investors LP, Kearny Street Employers LLC - \$1,450,000]

Ordinance authorizing settlement of two lawsuits filed by Justice Investors LP, Kearny Street Employers LLC, and Justice Operating Co. LLC, against the City and County of San Francisco for \$1,450,000; the first lawsuit was filed on July 16, 2015, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CGC-15-546897; entitled Justice Investors LP, Justice Operating Co. LLC v. City and County of San Francisco; the second lawsuit was filed on October 19, 2015, in San Francisco Superior Court, Case No. CPF-15-514532; entitled Justice Investors LP, Kearny Street Employers LLC v. City and County of San Francisco; these are suits for refund of Real Property Transfer Tax, Transient Occupancy Tax and Tourism Improvement District Fees; other material term of said settlement is San Francisco's dismissal of its cross-complaint in Case No. CPF-15-514532.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Pursuant to Charter Section 6.102(5), the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the City Attorney to settle the actions entitled Justice Investors LP, Justice Operating Co. LLC v. City and County of San Francisco, San Francisco Superior Court Case No. CGC-15-546897, and Justice Investors LP, Kearny Street Employers LLC v. City and County of San Francisco, San Francisco Superior Court Case No. CPF-15-514532, by the payment of \$1,450,000 and San Francisco's dismissal of its cross-complaint in Case No. CPF-15-514532. These are suits for refund of Real Property Transfer Tax, Transient Occupancy Tax and Tourism Improvement District Fees.

Section 2. The above-named actions were filed in San Francisco Superior Court on July 16, 2015 and October 19, 2015, respectively, and the following parties were named in the

lawsuits: as plaintiffs, Justice Investors LP, Justice Operating Co. LLC, Kearny Street Employers LLC; as defendant, City and County of San Francisco; as cross-complainant, City and County of San Francisco; and as cross-defendants, Kearny Street Employers LLC and Geoffrey Palermo, an individual.

City Attorney
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1 APPROVED AS TO FORM AND RECOMMENDED: 2 **DENNIS J. HERRERA** 3 City Attorney 4 5 JEAN ALEXANDER Chief Tax Attorney 6 **FUNDS AVAILABLE:** 7 8 9 BEN ROSENFIELD 10 Controller 11 12 n:\taxlit\li2016\160104\01081915.docx 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

RECOMMENDED:

OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR-RECORDER

CARMEN CHU Assessor-Recorder

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR

JOSÉ CISNEROS Treasurer-Tax Collector



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## **Ordinance**

File Number:

160576

Date Passed: July 12, 2016

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June 16, 2016 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - RECOMMENDED...

June 28, 2016 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee

July 12, 2016 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Peskin, Tang, Wiener

and Yee

Absent: 1 - Mar

File No. 160576

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 7/12/2016 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Clerk of the Board