

1 [Accept and Expend Grant - National Endowment for the Arts - Chinatown Alleyways Project -
2 \$75,000]

3 **Resolution retroactively authorizing the Arts Commission to accept and expend a grant**
4 **in the amount of \$75,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts for the Chinatown**
5 **Alleyways Project with a grant cycle from August 1, 2016, through July 31, 2018.**

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7 WHEREAS, In the 1980s the community in Chinatown began a movement to secure
8 city maintenance of 30 alleyways that resulted in a partnership with the Public Works
9 Department and the Chinatown Community Development Corporation (CCDC); and

10 WHEREAS, Through this partnership the Chinatown Alleyways Master Plan was
11 created, unfolding three phases of development: 1) Repair, 2) Renovation, and 3) Community
12 Mobilization, which led to the alleys' cleanup and the promotion of their historic and ongoing
13 social and economic value; and

14 WHEREAS, The Arts Commission became a key partner through the third phase of the
15 Master Plan, working on temporary and permanent public art projects in conjunction with the
16 Central Subway expansion; and

17 WHEREAS, This proposed partnership launches a Phase 4 that builds on the previous
18 interventions by expanding the scope of this long-term placemaking project through the
19 development of a new level of art engagement strategies; and

20 WHEREAS, This project will advance the role of the local alleyways as key social and
21 economic arteries for one of the oldest cultural neighborhoods that serves as a premiere
22 gateway destinations for low-income immigrants; and

1 WHEREAS, Funds will help support the activation of Ross Alley, the 8th Annual
2 Chinatown Music Festival held in Portsmouth Square, and youth arts activities at the Ping
3 Yuen Housing Project; and

4 WHEREAS, The Arts Commission’s grant request, which has been funded, satisfies
5 and exceeds the 1:1 matching fund requirement; and

6 WHEREAS, The grant does not require an ASO amendment; and

7 WHEREAS, The Department proposes to maximize use of available grant funds on
8 program expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the retroactive accepting and
10 expending of this National Endowment for the Arts Our Town grant to the San Francisco Arts
11 Commission with the grant cycle from August 1, 2016, through July 31, 2018; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of
13 indirect costs in the grant budget.

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15 Recommended: _____

16 Department Head: Tom DeCaigny, Director of Cultural Affairs

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18 Approved: _____

19 Mayor Edwin M. Lee

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21 Approved: _____

22 Controller

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