



November 2, 2022

To: San Francisco Budget and Finance Committee

Supervisor Hillary Ronen (Chair)

Supervisor Asha Safai

Supervisor Connie Chan

Clerk Brent Jalipa

Re: File number 221058, support amendment No. 1 to a grant agreement between the OEWD and Mid-Market Foundation.

Dear Honorable Supervisors,

Please support the full Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to a grant agreement between the Office of Economic and Workforce Development and Mid-Market Foundation for management of the Mid-Market/ Tenderloin Community-Based Safety Program, before you as part of file no. 221058. The proposed increase of the grant amount by \$11,490,000 brings the total grant amount to \$20,490,000 for this fiscal year. This full amount was already approved through the Budget and Appropriations committee and full budget process in June 2022 for this fiscal year.

As the Executive Director of the Tenderloin Housing Clinic (THC), I have been a staunch advocate for increased safety in the Tenderloin and Mid-Market neighborhoods since THC was established in 1980. I have seen firsthand how the Tenderloin and its residents—including tenants of THC's SRO hotels, participants in our Central City SRO Collaborative, and the children and families who participate in our La Voz Latina program—have been negatively affected by increased crime and open-air drug dealing.

This program has been a tremendous support to our community and must continue. Any proposed cut would significantly reverse the improvements that have been made as a result. Please fully support a recommendation approving this amendment to the full board.

Thank you,

Randy Shaw

Executive Director

Tenderloin Housing Clinic

CC:

Supervisor Dean Preston

Supervisor Matt Dorsey



November 1, 2022

To: San Francisco Board of Supervisor's Budget and Finance Committee
Supervisor Hillary Ronen
Supervisor Asha Safai
Supervisor Connie Chan
Clerk Brent Jalipa

Re: File number 221058
Amendment No. 1 to a grant agreement between the OEWD and the MM Foundation

Dear Budget and Finance Committee Members:

Please support the Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Grant Agreement between the Office of Economic and Workforce Development and the MM Foundation, for their continued management of Ambassadors from Urban Alchemy in the Mid Market area.

Continued funding for this community-based safety program (part of file no. 221058) is absolutely essential for pedestrian safety now more than ever before. Mid Market sidewalks were plagued with crime and safety issues before the Pandemic. Post-pandemic issues of drug dealing, open air drug use, theft, vandalism and illegal vending are markedly worse. And these issues are constant 24/7.

Thanks to Urban Alchemy Ambassadors, as well as our own CBD Ambassadors, we have made a dent in addressing some of the aforementioned issues during the day. We also need solutions for evenings. The lack of safety for Mid Market stakeholders at night is unacceptable. Our residents, theater patrons and employees who work late are extremely vulnerable; not to mention our large unsheltered population.

Funding for this program - and all others which provide additional public safety resources for the downtown core – must continue.

We urge you to approve this Amendment and to recommend it to the full Board for approval as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tracy Everwine', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Tracy Everwine,
Executive Director

CC: Supervisor Dean Preston
Supervisor Matt Dorsey



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Re: File number 221058, support amendment No. 1 to a grant agreement between the OEWD and Mid-Market Foundation.

Dear Honorable Supervisors,

Street Ambassadors are critical for the safety of pedestrians in Civic Center.

Please support the full Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to a grant agreement between the Office of Economic and Workforce Development and Mid-Market Foundation, for continued management of ambassadors from Urban Alchemy in Civic Center.

Funding for this existing Community-Based Safety Program, part of file no. 221058, is essential to maintaining some modicum of civility on our sidewalks and in our plazas until crime and safety issues improve.

Continued funding for this program is essential for residents and workers many of whom are City, State and Federal employees like yourselves. It is also essential for the droves of visitors who flock to Civic Center for government business, arts and cultural activities, and to take in its historic grandeur.

With issues such as theft, drug dealing and open-air drug use rampant in Civic Center, we must have the help of all public safety personnel possible to protect pedestrians and put our best foot forward to Civic Center's vast constituency.

Please fully support this item, and recommend it to the full Board for approval.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tracy Everwine".

Tracy Everwine,
Executive Director, Civic Center Community Benefit District

CC:
Supervisor Dean Preston
Supervisor Matt Dorsey

From: [Naomi Maisel](#)
To: [Jalipa, Brent \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Support for Urban Alchemy
Date: Tuesday, November 1, 2022 11:58:21 AM

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As Community & Policy Manager at our foodhall at the corner of Golden Gate and Hyde, I am consistently in conversation with both our small businesses and our community partners about the ongoing challenges of unsavory activations in our streets. Urban Alchemy has helped make it possible for us to operate 8+ small businesses on this corner, which has historically seen extremely high levels of open air drug dealing and abuse. This is the time for more and improved coverage, not to scale back.

This program has been a tremendous support to our community and must continue. Any proposed cut would significantly reverse the improvements that have been made as a result. Please fully support a recommendation approving this amendment to the full board.

Thank you,
Naomi Maisel

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From: [Mario Bevilacqua von Gunderrode](#)
To: [Jalipa, Brent \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: File number 221058, support amendment No. 1 to a grant agreement between the OEWD and Mid-Market Foundation.
Date: Monday, October 31, 2022 4:44:48 PM
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Please find in attachment support letter from San Francisco Proper Hotel.

Warmest regards,

Mario

Mario Bevilacqua von Gunderrode
General Manager, San Francisco Proper
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October 31, 2022

TO: San Francisco Budget and Finance Committee

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As General Manager of the San Francisco Proper Hotel (Mario Bevilacqua von Gunderrode) located at Market and 7th street, between the Tenderloin and Civic Center, we are full supporter of this program. You can imagine how critical the Safety Program has been for the safety of our guests and our employees. We would love to see this grow even further and make a positive change also during later hours of the day, particularly in the area of UN Plaza, which at night is extremely intimidating.

This program has been a tremendous support to our community and must continue. Any proposed cut would significantly reverse the improvements that have been made as a result. Please fully support a recommendation approving this amendment to the full board.

Thank you,

Mario Bevilacqua von Gunderrode
General Manager
San Francisco Proper Hotel

CC:

Supervisor Dean Preston
Supervisor Matt Dorsey

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October 31, 2022

**City And County of San Francisco
San Francisco Budget and Finance Committee**

**Attn: Supervisor Hillary Ronen (Chair), Supervisor Asha Safai, Supervisor Connie Chan,
Clerk Brent Jalipa**

Reference: File number 221058, support amendment No. 1: a grant agreement between the OEWD and Mid-Market Foundation

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES TO FULLY
SUPPORT RESOLUTION NUMBER 1**

To The Committees On Budget And Finance:

As a property owner and representative to the above business entity, I am asking for your serious and attentive consideration of the referenced file number 221058. As many supporters have also written: **“Please support the full Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to a grant agreement between the Office of Economic and Workforce Development and Mid-Market Foundation, for management of the Mid-Market/Tenderloin Community-Based Safety Program.”**

We ask that this matter not be an arbitrary matter before the committees. We ask that it be weighed on its merits and that this geographical neighborhood has at least something good being proposed. When so many other issues are having a negative affect on where we work – and for some - live, increasing this grant is valid.

Myself, along with others who love this City and have been an active participant in improving this area for decade, against strong anti-social activities, see this increase as a needed adjustment to make a program work even better. Please give a favorable vote to File No. 221058 and increase the grant by \$11,490,000.00.

I have seen more programs over the years than most people in San Francisco, from having sat on the steering committee for creating the Mid-Market Community Benefits District to bringing in Alonzo Kings LINES Ballet and the School of the Arts onto 7th Street. Despite working toward improving the neighborhood, we still face a daunting task of ridding our street at 7th & Market of drug dealers and drug addicts and can only achieve success with the serous expansion of programs and an active interest by OUR Board of Supervisors.

Please fully support a recommendation approving this amendment to the full board.

Truly yours,

Peter V. Sellars
Building Administrator
Odd Fellows Building

CC:
Supervisor Dean Preston
Supervisor Matt Dorsey

From: [Sara de la Riva](#)
To: [Jalipa, Brent \(BOS\)](#); [Ronen, Hillary](#); [Safai, Ahsha \(BOS\)](#); [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#)
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As building owners and managers at 1128 Market Street in UN Plaza, we see the impact of the safety program on a daily basis and it's essential. Now is not the time to pull back, now is the time to continue to provide the necessary resources to bring our neighborhood back to a safe and vibrant place.

This program has been a tremendous support to our community and must continue. Any proposed cut would significantly reverse the improvements that have been made as a result. Please fully support a recommendation approving this amendment to the full board.

Thank you,
Sara de la Riva

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From: [Scott Walton](#)
To: [Ronen, Hillary](#); asha.safai@sfgov.org; [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Jalipa, Brent \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Preston, Dean \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Bolen, Jennifer M.\(BOS\)](#); [Rainier Koeners](#)
Subject: We support Amendment One, file number 221058
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October 31, 2022

TO: San Francisco Budget and Finance Committee

Supervisor Hillary Ronen (Chair)
Supervisor Asha Safai
Supervisor Connie Chan
Clerk Brent Jalipa

Re: File number 221058, support amendment No. 1 to a grant agreement between the OEWD and Mid-Market Foundation.

Dear Honorable Supervisors,

Our business could not operate without the considerable care and attention that we receive from Urban Alchemy, whose funding is partially realized in Amendment One between OEWD and the Mid-Market Foundation.

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Everyone on this letter is aware of the terrible conditions at UN Plaza, as well as other areas of the Tenderloin. The three theatres that we operate, the Orpheum, The Golden Gate and the Curran form a perfect triangle for the area in which Urban Alchemy provides a needed deterrent to the numerous troubles of the neighborhood. Without Urban Alchemy, and with an understaffed police department, we are not sure what conditions this area would fall into and would seriously impel our abilities to bring more than 1,000,000 patrons – and their extended economic activity – to this neighborhood each year.

Urban Alchemy has proven itself as an effective deterrent in these areas and we are especially impressed by their friendliness and hard work. At BroadwaySF, we've gotten to know the men and women from Urban Alchemy who are in our vicinity. Some of them have shown initiatives for their future by applying – and winning – full-time jobs at our company.

We believe in the power of second chances and that Urban Alchemy practitioners are a role model for many in the neighborhood who have – or will face – similar issues.

This program has been a tremendous support to our community and must continue. Any proposed cut would significantly reverse the improvements that have been made as a result. Please fully support a recommendation approving this amendment to the full board.

Thank you,

Rainier Koeners
Managing Director
BroadwaySF/Ambassador Theatre Group SF

CC:

Supervisor Dean Preston
Supervisor Matt Dorsey

Scott Walton

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SIX – February 21 – March 19
TINA – The Tina Turner Musical – August 1 – August 27

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From: [Diana Pang](#)
To: [Jalipa, Brent \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fw: Chinatown CDC Letter of Support for Urban Alchemy (File #2211058)
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Hi Clerk Jalipa,

I am submitting this letter by way of Malcolm Yeung, Executive Director of Chinatown Community Development Center. Chinatown CDC supports the renewal of Urban Alchemy's funding. We understand that File #2211058, Amendment 1 comes before the Budget & Finance Committee next Wednesday.

In particular, Urban Alchemy has had a tremendous impact --- literally a night and day transformation --- for our property at 201 Turk: Tenderloin Family Housing (TFH). UA practitioners steward the 200th block of Turk, operating from 7am-7pm seven days a week. UA's presence directly increases resident engagement, public safety and cleanliness, placemaking & activation in our parklet by TL CBD outside TFH. What's more, they do this without displacing our unhoused neighbors, while neutralizing and de-escalating any potential conflict that may occur between all frail and vulnerable members of our communities.

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Subject: Chinatown CDC Letter of Support for Urban Alchemy

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In community,
Diana

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Chinatown CDC is committed to economic and social justice, placed-based solutions, and in building community and power with and by residents. Urban Alchemy's philosophy and design is testament to our values and mission.

Thank you,
Malcolm Yeung 
Executive Director
Chinatown Community Development Center

CC:
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Thank you,

Kate Robinson | Executive Director
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