[Grant Amendment - Eviction Defense Collaborative, Inc. - Not to Exceed \$6,280,000 for an Aggregate Amount of \$11,391,504]

Resolution approving and authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD") to execute an amendment to a grant agreement with Eviction Defense Collaborative, Inc., to increase the grant amount by an amount not to exceed \$4,400,000 for a Grant Agreement total in the amount of \$6,280,000 and aggregate grant amount of \$11,391,504 related to the provision of eviction-related legal assistance through MOHCD's Tenant Right to Counsel Program to eligible San Francisco tenants effective upon approval of this Resolution, with no changes to the term of January 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024; approving the form of and authorizing the execution of the grant agreement; and granting general authority to City officials to take actions necessary to implement this Resolution, as defined herein.

WHEREAS, San Francisco voters passed the No Eviction Without Representation Act of 2018 (Proposition F) on June 5, 2018 establishing a policy that tenants facing eviction shall have a right to legal representation in eviction proceedings and the City and County of San Francisco shall provide such legal representation to tenants to assist in the fair administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, MOHCD administers a variety of eviction and displacement prevention programs that provide legal assistance, education, outreach, tenant-landlord mediation, technical assistance to housing providers, and emergency rental assistance and tenant-based subsidies; and

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco, acting through the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development ("MOHCD"), administers the Tenant Right to

Counsel Program in collaboration with eight legal services organizations that provide legal services to San Francisco tenants; and

WHEREAS, One of these legal services organizations, Eviction Defense Collaborative, Inc., serves as the Tenant Right to Counsel Program's lead partner and manages its referral process; and

WHEREAS, MOHCD issued a Request for Proposals dated August 26, 2019, for San Francisco legal services organizations to provide Tenant Right to Counsel Program services ("RFP); and

WHEREAS, Eviction Defense Collaborative, Inc. ("Grantee") was selected by MOHCD under the RFP to provide legal services to San Francisco tenants and coordinate the referral process among legal service providers; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco voters passed Proposition C on November 6, 2018 that imposed additional business taxes to establish a dedicated fund (Our City, Our Home Fund) to provide services for people experiencing homelessness and to prevent homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Up to fifteen percent of the Our City, Our Home Fund could be allocated to homelessness prevention programs, including the Tenant Right to Counsel Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing ("HSH") has allocated funds from the Our City, Our Home Fund ("OCOH Fund") to MOHCD for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, During fiscal year 2023-2024, MOHCD has provided two grants to the Grantee to provide Tenant Right to Counsel Program services to tenants and subcontracts with legal services organizations AIDS Legal Referral Panel of the SF Bay Area and Open Door Legal, as follows: 1) a Grant Agreement dated August 7, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$5,111,504 using various fund sources ("General Grant Agreement"), and 2) a Grant Agreement dated January 1, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$1,880,000 using funds from

the OCOH Fund ("OCOH Grant Agreement"), and the General Grant Agreement and the OCOH Grant Agreement are on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 231201; and

WHEREAS, MOHCD desires to increase the grant amount under the OCOH Grant Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$4,400,000 for a total grant amount of \$6,280,000 pursuant to an Amendment to Grant Agreement in substantially the form on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. 231201, and in such final form as approved by the Director of MOHCD and the City Attorney ("EDC Amendment"); and

WHEREAS, The aggregate amount of grant funds to the Grantee under the General Grant Agreement and the OCOH Grant Agreement, as amended by the EDC Amendment, for fiscal year 2023-2024 will equal \$11,391,504; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the OCOH Grant Agreement as amended by the EDC Amendment, and authorizes the Mayor and the Director of MOHCD or the Director's designee to enter into the EDC Amendment for the provision of Tenant Right to Counsel Program services (including, without limitation, modifications of the OCOH Grant Agreement, and preparation and attachment of, or changes to, any of all of the exhibits and ancillary agreements) and any other documents or instruments necessary in connection therewith, that the Director determines, in consultation with the City Attorney, are in the best interest of the City, do not materially increase the obligations or liabilities for the City or materially diminish the benefits of the City, or are necessary or advisable to effectuate the purposes and intent of this Resolution and are in compliance with all applicable laws, including the City Charter; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That all actions authorized and directed by this Resolution and heretofore taken are hereby ratified, approved and confirmed by this Board of Supervisors; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That within thirty (30) days of the EDC Amendment being fully

executed by all parties, MOHCD shall provide each fully executed EDC Amendment to Clerk of the Board for inclusion into the official file.

RECOMMENDED:



City and County of San Francisco Tails Resolution

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File Number: 231201 Date Passed: January 09, 2024

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December 13, 2023 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED

January 09, 2024 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

File No. 231201

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/9/2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

London N. Breed Mayor **Date Approved**