

1 [Accept and Expend Grant - KABOOM! - Children’s Playspaces Improvements - \$5,000,000]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Recreation and Park Department to enter into a Grant**  
4 **Agreement with KABOOM! and to accept and expend cash and/or in-kind grants from**  
5 **KABOOM! valued at approximately \$5,000,000 to support improvements for up to eight**  
6 **children’s playspace sites, effective upon approval of this Resolution through notice of**  
7 **substantial completion; and to authorize the General Manager of the Recreation and**  
8 **Park Department to enter into amendments or modifications to the Grant Agreement**  
9 **provided they do not materially increase the obligations or liabilities of the City and are**  
10 **necessary to effectuate the purposes of the Project or this Resolution.**

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12 WHEREAS, The City, through the Recreation and Park Department (RPD) operates  
13 and maintains various parks, playgrounds, and playspaces throughout San Francisco; and

14 WHEREAS, KABOOM! is a national nonprofit that works to end playspace inequity,  
15 and in 2021, worked with RPD and San Francisco Children and Nature to create the Nature  
16 Exploration Area (NEA), an innovative eco-friendly playspace in Heron’s Head Park made  
17 from all-natural materials which promotes physical activity, creativity, and appreciation of  
18 nature; and

19 WHEREAS, Inspired by the success of the NEA, KABOOM! invited RPD to participate  
20 in its 25 in 5 Initiative (the Initiative), a five-year plan focused on ending playspace inequity in  
21 25 different places across the country in five years; and

22 WHEREAS, Through the Initiative, RPD and KABOOM! desire to partner on an  
23 ambitious \$10,000,000 plan to create up to eight quality, nature-rich children’s playspaces in  
24 communities in San Francisco that disproportionately lack resources (the Project), as set forth

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1 in the Grant Agreement on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 250290  
2 and which is incorporated herein by reference; and

3 WHEREAS, The phase 1 sites are Crocker Amazon Purple Playground, Randolph and  
4 Bright Mini Park, Silver Terrace Playground, and Tenderloin Recreation Center; and phase 2  
5 sites are still to be determined; and

6 WHEREAS, As described in the Grant Agreement, KABOOM! will seek to raise  
7 \$5,000,000 from third party donors, to be disbursed in the form of cash and in-kind grants (the  
8 Grant) to support these efforts; and

9 WHEREAS, The Grant terms prohibit including indirect costs in the grant budget; and

10 WHEREAS, The Grant will not require amending the Annual Salary Ordinance; and

11 WHEREAS, On February 20, 2025, the Recreation and Park Commission, by  
12 Resolution No. 2502-005, recommended that the Board of Supervisors authorize the  
13 Recreation and Park Department to accept and expend the Grant and approve the associated  
14 Grant Agreement; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors approves the Grant and authorizes the  
16 Recreation and Park Department General Manager to accept the Grant; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of  
18 indirect costs in the grant budget; and, be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Recreation and  
20 Park Department General Manager to enter into any modifications and amendments to the  
21 Grant or Grant Agreement including accepting and expending funds and in kind services that  
22 increase the total Grant value by up to 10% above the estimate stated in this Resolution,  
23 provided that the Recreation and Park General Manager determines, in consultation with the  
24 City Attorney, that any such modifications are in the best interests of the City, do not  
25 materially increase the obligations or liabilities of the City, are necessary or advisable to

