

SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO EDWIN M. LEE, MAYOR

October 8, 2013

Ms. Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board Board of Supervisors City Hall Room 244 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

## File No. 130888 [Authorizing the Office of Economic and Workforce Development to Identify and Recommend Small Businesses – Kiva Zip's Microlending Platform]

Small Business Commission Recommendation: Approval

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

On October 7, 2013, the Small Business Commission (SBC) voted 6-0 to recommend approval of BOS File No. 130888.

The Commission enthusiastically supported this resolution to provide greater access to financing for very small businesses. Commissioners indicated that Kiva Zip's program guidelines and lending terms struck a favorable balance between simplified access to capital and high probability of repayment. Furthermore, the commissioners were excited about Kiva Zip's leveraging of technology to manage all aspects of the program, from initial application to disbursement to repayment. The Commission is eager to have this additional resource at the disposal of the Office of Small Business.

Sincerely,

ZMDick Lidenzi

Regina Dick-Endrizzi Director, Office of Small Business

Cc: Supervisor Mark Farrell Jason Elliot, Mayor's Office Victor Young, Office of the Clerk of the Board