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[Accept and Expend Grant-in-Place - Trust for Public Land - Buchanan Street Mall Park Activation - \$187,600]

Resolution retroactively authorizing the Recreation and Park Department to accept and expend a Grant-in-Place from the Trust for Public Land of improvements to Buchanan Street Mall, valued at \$187,600 for the period of April 7, 2015, through October 31, 2015.

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Recreation and Park Department ("RPD") operates and maintains real property owned by the City and County of San Francisco located between Grove and Eddy Street (Assessor's Block/Lot Nos. 0748/033, 0757/026, 0772/023, 0781/035, and 0795/028) in San Francisco commonly known as the Buchanan Street Mall ('the Property"); and

WHEREAS, The Buchanan Street Mall currently includes five consecutive blocks of green space, three playgrounds, a half basketball court, and asphalt paths; and

WHEREAS, The Trust for Public Land ("TPL") seeks to build great parks that strengthen communities particularly in areas that are under-served by existing parks and recreation facilities and supports the Recreation and Park Department's mission of providing San Franciscans with enriching recreational activities, maintaining beautiful parks, and preserving the environment for the well-being of its diverse community efforts; and

WHEREAS, RPD and TPL desire to activate and improve the Buchanan Street Mall through fostering stewardship by nearby community members and encouraging residents to actively participate in the design, construction and upkeep of new project structures on the Mall, known as the "Activation Project"; and

WHEREAS, TPL collaborated with local organizations including Green Streets, Citizen Film and the Exploratorium (Studio for Public Spaces) to establish a community-based design process with park neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Beginning in April 2015, Green Streets, Citizen Film, the Exploratorium, TPL, and RPD conducted a series of public workshops with a community-based Design Task Force to develop conceptual plans for the Activation Project; and

WHEREAS, Through this community process, TPL and the Exploratorium developed a conceptual plan for installations of non-permanent, mobile and modular structures, including planters, interpretive signage, and place-making spaces, to be constructed at various locations along the Mall; and

WHEREAS, The concept for the Activation Project includes that each element go through an iterative process of prototyping, where the Exploratorium and Green Streets will fabricate certain elements, solicit community feedback, and continue to adjust and modify designs over a period of several weeks, leading up to final construction; and

WHEREAS, On May 18, 2015, the Planning Department issued a Certificate of Determination that the Activation Project is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and

WHEREAS, On July 16, 2015, the Recreation and Park Commission adopted Resolution No.1507-006, approving the conceptual design for the project, approving the Grant Agreement between TPL and RPD for the implementation of the Activation Project, and recommending that the Board of Supervisors accept the Grant-in-Place from TPL valued at \$187,600; and

WHEREAS, The terms and conditions for Design and Construction of the project are detailed in the Grant Agreement; and

WHEREAS, The Grant Agreement requires that the installation of the elements be completed by September 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Department proposes to maximize use of available grant funds on program expenditures by excluding indirect costs from the grant budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Recreation and Park

Department to accept from TPL a Grant-in-Place valued at \$187,600 for the Buchanan Street

Mall Activation Project; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the department to exclude indirect costs from the grant budget; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Recreation and Park General Manager to enter into any modifications to the grant that the Recreation and Park General Manager determines, in consultation with the City Attorney, are in the best interests of the City and do not materially increase the obligations or liabilities of the City, are necessary or advisable to effectuate the purposes of the grant or this Resolution, and are in compliance with all applicable laws, including the City's Charter.

Recommended:

General Manager, Recreation and Park Department

Approved:

Approved:

Mayor

Controller



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Resolution

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September 09, 2015 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED

September 15, 2015 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Christensen, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 9/15/2015 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Date Approved