

MANOHAR RAJU – PUBLIC DEFENDER
MATT GONZALEZ – CHIEF ATTORNEY



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Manohar Raju, Public Defender

DATE: April 19, 2021

RE: File No. 210179 - Accept and Expend Grant - Amend the Annual Salary

Ordinance - Retroactive - Crankstart Foundation - Kelson Foundation - Clean

Slate Program Grant - \$250,000 and \$35,000 Respectively

The Public Defender received both grant awards in December 2020. The grants cover the period of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. When we were drafting the ordinance, our fund accountant at the Controller's Office informed us that we had the option to have the ordinance retroactively authorize the department to accept and expend the grant funds, if we wanted to begin the program before the Board of Supervisor had finalized approval. We therefore included "retroactive" language in the ordinance, just in case there was a need to hire Clean Slate staff before Board approval. However, we never made use of this provision, and have not yet hired anyone. We plan to hire staff immediately, once the Board of Supervisors finalizes approval.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions about this, please contact my Chief Financial Officer Angela Auyong, at 510-461-2193 for more information.