



CONSENT CALENDAR
February 24, 2026

To: Honorable Members of the City Council
From: Mayor Adena Ishii (Author), Councilmember Terry Taplin (Co-Sponsor)
Subject: Waterside Workshops Community Spring Fling: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Fund

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500 per Councilmember including \$250 from Mayor Ishii and \$250 from Councilmember Taplin to the Waterside Workshops for the Community Spring Fling with funds relinquished to the City's general fund for this purpose from the discretionary Council Office Budgets of Mayor Ishii and any other Councilmembers who would like to contribute.

BACKGROUND

Established in 2007, Waterside Workshops is a non-profit community organization that engages youth and the community through hands-on learning in bicycle mechanics, wooden boatbuilding, and outdoor education. Waterside Workshops serves over 300 youth every year, offering a safe and supportive environment where they can learn and practice core job skills under the supervision of experienced, caring professionals.

On March 14, 2026, Waterside Workshops will be hosting its Community Spring Fling to officially launch the Street Level Cycling Club and highlight its programs & workshops. At this "season opener", current and former Waterside youth interns, community partners, families and friends will gather in celebration.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No General Fund impact; \$250 is available from Mayor Ishii's and \$250 from Councilmember Taplin's budget discretionary accounts.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no environmental impacts associated with the recommendations in this report.

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Attachments: Resolution for Council Expenditures

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF DISCRETIONARY FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS FOR A GRANT TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SERVICES FOR A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Mayor Adena Ishii has funds in her office discretionary account; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax-exempt corporation, Waterside Workshops, seeks funds from the City of Berkeley not to exceed \$500 per Councilmember, including the amount of \$250 from the office of Mayor Adena Ishii to the Community Spring Fling; and

WHEREAS, this event will serve as a “season opener” to celebrate the official launch of Waterside Workshop’s Street Level Cycling Club and celebrate their programs & other workshops; and

WHEREAS, Waterside Workshops works in collaboration with schools and other partner organizations in Berkeley, helping youth grow into skilled, confident, and autonomous leaders; and

WHEREAS, Waterside Workshops continues to serve as a resource for youth by providing a variety of resources meant to offer essential job skills, and build community support.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that funds relinquished by the Mayor and Councilmembers from their Council Office Budget up to \$500 per office shall be granted to Waterside Workshops to fund the following service of offering youth development opportunities to students in Berkeley through their spring kick-off celebration.

