



Kate Harrison
Councilmember District 4

CONSENT CALENDAR
February 19th, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Kate Harrison

Subject: Ohlone Park 50th Anniversary Celebration: City Sponsorship and Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds

RECOMMENDATION

1. Adopt a Resolution co-sponsoring the celebration of Ohlone Park's 50th anniversary on June 1st, 2019
2. Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500 per Councilmember including \$250 from Councilmember Harrison, to the Friends of Ohlone Park, the fiscal sponsor of the 50th anniversary celebration, with funds relinquished to the City's general fund for this purpose from the discretionary Council Office Budgets of Councilmember Harrison and any other Councilmembers who would like to contribute.

BACKGROUND

Ohlone Park was created in 1969 as a result of the BART tunnel which runs directly underneath it. As a monument to both our modern mass transportation system and to the Ohlone peoples who have lived on this land for millennia, the park has significant symbolic value for our City, as well as aesthetic and functional benefits. Ohlone Park includes four playlots, a dog park, a four-sided mural commemorating the Ohlone people, a community garden, sports fields, and open spaces.

Acting as a liaison with the City Parks Department and Parks and Waterfront Commission, Friends of Ohlone Park preserves and enhances the beauty and functionality of the park by consulting with neighbors and undertaking surveys about the needs of the area, including lighting and garbage removal.

We are proposing that City Councilmembers make individual grants of up to \$500 to the Friends of Ohlone Park to commemorate and honor the park and all it stands for. The event is being held on June 1st, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

No impact to the General Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Minimal.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

- 1: Resolution for City Sponsorship
- 2: Resolution for Council Expenditures

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

CITY SPONSORSHIP OF THE OHLONE PARK 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

WHEREAS, the Ohlone Park 50th Anniversary Celebration will take place on June 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Ohlone Park represents a significant point of pride for the City of Berkeley by providing open space, beauty, recreation, and history; and

WHEREAS, the Ohlone Park 50th Anniversary Celebration will enrich the City and people of Berkeley through cultural education provided by members of the Muwekma Ohlone tribe, as well as celebrating the Park more generally;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City of Berkeley hereby co-sponsors the Ohlone Park 50th Anniversary Celebration, has permission to use the City's name and logo in the event's promotional materials and signage naming the City of Berkeley as a co-sponsor solely for the purpose of the City indicating its endorsement of the event.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this co-sponsorship does not: (1) authorize financial support, whether in the form of fee waivers, a grant or provision of City services for free; (2) constitute the acceptance of any liability, management, or control on the part of the City for or over the Ohlone Park 50th Anniversary Celebration; or (3) constitute regulatory approval of the event.

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

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

WHEREAS, Councilmember Kate Harrison has surplus funds in her office expenditure account; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax exempt corporation, the Friends of Ohlone Park, seeks funds in the amount of \$500 to provide the following public services to publicly commemorate and honor the 50 year history of Ohlone Park; and

WHEREAS, the celebration will include invaluable educational benefits for the people of Berkeley presented by members of the Muwekma Ohlone tribe;

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 the Friends of Ohlone Park to fund the celebration of Ohlone Park and related cultural activities.