



Office of the Mayor

CONSENT CALENDAR
November 29, 2022

To: Honorable Members of the City Council
 From: Mayor Jesse Arreguín, Councilmember Terry Taplin
 Subject: Budget Referral: Strawberry Creek Lodge Food Program

RECOMMENDATION

Refer to the December 2022 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (AAO) budget process \$50,000 for the Strawberry Creek Lodge Food Program.

BACKGROUND

Over the past couple of years, the City of Berkeley provided an annual grant of \$100,000 to provide subsidized meals for low-income seniors who reside at the Strawberry Creek Lodge a senior housing apartment complex owned by the Strawberry Creek Lodge Foundation. This funding was needed to cover the meal program while the kitchen was remodeled. As a result of the pandemic and other delays, the kitchen renovation was delayed and is expected to be completed by July 2023. As a result, funding is only needed for 6 months instead of a year, so a request of \$50,000 has been made. Once the kitchen is completed, they will work with Berkeley Food and Housing Project on a food program.

Strawberry Creek Lodge has provided housing for low- and moderate-income housing for 150 seniors since the early 1960s. The City first provided a grant for the Lodge's meal program in 2020 after an Urgency Item was submitted on November 19, 2019 to amend the budget for Fiscal Year 2020.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

\$50,000

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no identifiable environmental effects or opportunities associated with the subject of this report.

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