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BERKELEY CITY COUNCILMEMBER
TERRY TAPLIN
 DISTRICT 2

CONSENT CALENDAR
 September 9th, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Terry Taplin

Subject: Waterside Workshops: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds from General Funds and Grant of Such Funds

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500 per Councilmember, including \$500 from Councilmember Taplin, to support the Waterside Workshops in celebration and execution of The Land and Sea Party 2025.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

\$500 is available from contributing Councilmember's Council Office Budget discretionary accounts.

BACKGROUND

Waterside Workshops was established in 2007 with the goal to address the loss of hands-on wood shop, metal shop, and other vocational programs from schools in the area. These losses did not cause for decreased interest in the fields they focused on. There became very few places for young people to learn the trades while supervised from experienced professionals. Waterside Workshops have continued to expand their offering to the community. They opened a Boathouse allowing for boat rentals and youth camps on building boats. Additionally, Waterside Workshops opened a bike repair shop in 2015, both fixing bikes to earn income for the non-profit and educating community members on how to fix and maintain their bicycles.

Waterside Workshops has continued to support such endeavors and serves as a vital resource of the community. The Land and Sea Party fundraiser supports the organization and ensures it can continue to offer programs to the community. This event serves as an excellent opportunity to support the groups that support the city and its residents.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

No environmental impacts.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

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 Taplin has surplus funds in his office expenditure account (budget code 011-11-102-100-0000-000-411); and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax-exempt corporation Waterside Workshop seeks funds in the amount of \$500 to provide the following public services: engages youth and the community through hands-on learning in bicycle mechanics, wooden boatbuilding, and outdoor education; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purpose: supporting the organizations that offer essential youth and community opportunities not found elsewhere in the city;

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 amount per office shall be granted to Waterside Workshop to support The Land and Sea Party 2025.

