

SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-01

Resolution approving the San Francisco Public Library Commission's recommendation to award a sole source grant of \$20,000 to Civic Center Community Benefit District, Inc.

WHEREAS, the Civic Center Community Benefit District (Civic Center CBD) is a special assessment district that strives to improve the quality of life in the Civic Center neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Civic Center Community Benefit District Inc. (CCCBD) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization formed in 2011 that works with the Civic Center CBD to improve and promote San Francisco's historic civic center through a host of planning, policy and public programming initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Skate San FranDisco Roller Rink started in October 2022 and will operate a Roller Rink at Fulton & Larkin Streets through March 2023, as a pilot program established by the Civic Center CBD and the Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD), intending to make this Roller Rink available as a family-friendly and safe activity in the Civic Center neighborhood; and,

WHEREAS, via a partnership with San FranDisco and Civic Center CBD, San Francisco Public Library is committed to reimbursing the cost of a limited number of free family passes; and,

WHEREAS, Discover & Go is a library platform that manages free passes to Bay Area museums and attractions for San Francisco Public Library; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco Public Library is willing to support up to 250 of these family passes per month for San Francisco residents and families, at a cost of up to \$10,000 per month over a two-month period; and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 21G of the San Francisco Administrative Code ("Chapter 21G") governs the award of grants and provides that granting agencies shall award all grants through an open and competitive process; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 21G.8 and 21G.9 of Chapter 21G, the Library Commission may approve a waiver of the open and competitive process when a competitive process is infeasible or impracticable, or when public purpose may reasonably be accomplished by one particular grantee; and,

WHEREAS, San FranDisco, as the operator of the roller rink is the only entity that can accept Discover & Go passes; and

WHEREAS, Library staff confirmed with OEWD that the Civic Center CBD, in partnership with CCCBD, is the only entity that can activate the space occupied by the roller rink and the only partner with the Skate San FranDisco Roller Rink available for this partnership; and,

WHEREAS, the Skate San FranDisco Roller Rink at Fulton & Larkin Streets advances the important public purpose of supporting family-friendly and safe activities for the neighborhood and the Library's commitment to funding free passes advances the important public purpose of making such activities accessible to all residents of San Francisco; and,

WHEREAS, the Library's support for this important public purpose may reasonably be accomplished by one particular grantee, CCCBD, as the non-profit formed to support the Civic Center CBD; and,

WHEREAS, a competitive solicitation process is impracticable; and,

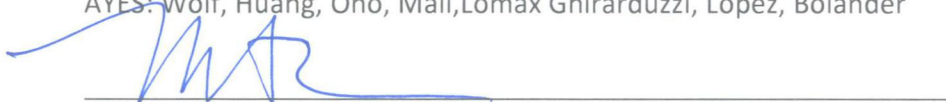
WHEREAS, the staff of the San Francisco Public Library has brought a recommendation to award a sole source grant to the Library Commission; and now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Library Commission approves the sole source grant justification and the Library's award of the grant to Civic Center Community Benefit District, Inc.

Approved on: March 16, 2023

By a vote of: (7 -0)

AYES: Wolf, Huang, Ono, Mall, Lomax Ghirarduzzi, Lopez, Bolander



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