

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 313496

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE APR 22 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO RECEIVE UP TO \$75,000 IN 2020-2021 CANNABIS EQUITY GRANTS PROGRAM FUNDS TO CONDUCT A CANNABIS EQUITY ASSESMENT.

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2016, California voters approved Proposition 64, the Control, Regulate, and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA); and

WHEREAS, in its statement of purpose and intent, the AUMA calls for regulating cannabis in a way that reduces barriers to entry into the legal, regulated market; and

WHEREAS, the California Legislature recognized the need for cannabis equity grant funding and passed AB 97 to provide equity grant funds to local governments; and

WHEREAS, funding has been provided to the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz), in partnership with the Bureau of Cannabis Control (BCC), to provide grant funds to local governments that implement a local equity program through the Cannabis Equity Grants Program for Local Jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2021, the Cannabis Business Division/Development Services Department submitted an application to GO-Biz for the maximum allowable \$75,000 to conduct a cannabis equity assessment, pursuant to State requirements, and support the development of a cannabis equity program in San Diego; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2021, GO-Biz awarded grant funds to the City of San Diego in the amount of \$75,000; and

WHEREAS, to receive grant funding a resolution is required from the City Council authorizing the City of San Diego to enter into the grant agreement with GO-Biz prior to May 14, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this grant funding will be used by the City to conduct a cannabis equity assessment in the City to support and promote equitable ownership and employment opportunities in the legal cannabis industry in communities disproportionately impacted by cannabis prohibition or criminalization; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds must be used solely for the purpose of conducting an equity assessment and developing a local equity program; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that the Mayor of the City of San Diego, or his designee, is authorized to execute on behalf of the City of San Diego a grant agreement with the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development to receive grant funding in the amount of \$75,000 to conduct a cannabis equity assessment and assist the development of a local equity program, including any extensions or amendments thereof and any subsequent grant agreement with the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development in relation thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to establish a special interest-bearing account for the grant, if required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, the Chief Financial Officer, or their designee is authorized to apply for, accept, appropriate and expend an amount not to exceed \$75,000 from the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development to conduct a cannabis equity assessment and support the development of a cannabis equity program in San Diego, if the grant funding is secured.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is agreed that any liability arising out of the performance of this grant agreement, including civil court actions for damages, shall be the responsibility of the grant recipient and the authorizing agency. The Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development and the State of California disclaim responsibility for any such liability.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

By Noah Brazier
Noah J. Brazier
Deputy City Attorney

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04/08/2021
Or.Dept: Development Services
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I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of 04/20/2021.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By /s/ Stacy D. Ready
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 4/22/21
(date)

Todd Gloria
TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on APR 20 2021, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen Whitburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monica Montgomery Steppe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marni von Wilpert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chris Cate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raul A. Campillo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Elo-Rivera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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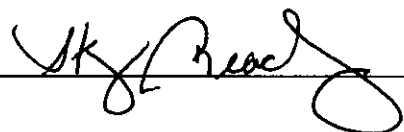
(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

(Seal)

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By , Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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