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RESOLUTION NUMBER R-312898

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAR 26 2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE REAPPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE OF FORMER SAN DIEGO REGIONAL ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM FUNDS TO THE SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF FUND TO ADDRESS ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS.

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2020, the County Board of Supervisors ratified a declaration of local health emergency related to a novel coronavirus, the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Mayor Kevin Faulconer proclaimed the existence of a local emergency in the City of San Diego (City) as a result of the COVID-19 virus, which was ratified by the Council of the City of San Diego (Council) on March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the County of San Diego issued an order from the Public Health Officer requiring, among other things, all bars, adult entertainment establishments, and other business establishments in the County that serve alcohol and do not serve food to close, and requiring all restaurants to close on-site dining; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Mayor issued Executive Order No. 2020-1 prohibiting, among other things, public gatherings of 50 or more people in a single room, closing all bars, adult entertainment establishments, and nightclubs in the City, and prohibiting restaurants from serving food and beverage for consumption on premises; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-33-20, ordering all residents of the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence in accordance with the current State public health directives; and

WHEREAS, in order to alleviate the economic impacts of the COVID-19 virus, the City seeks to implement various programs to encourage economic relief and stimulus, and reduce financial hardship for impacted businesses in the City, including a grant and loan program for small businesses called the "Small Business Relief Fund;" and

WHEREAS, the City previously received funds as the administrator of the former

San Diego Regional Enterprise Zone (SDREZ Funds), and allocated, appropriated, and expended
a portion of the SDREZ Funds to certain contracts and programs that support new and existing
economic and workforce development opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the SDREZ Funds can be used to support the City's economic and workforce development initiatives, including strategic opportunities with long-term economic growth benefit potential, and to complement regional economic development goals of the City's Strategic Framework Plan and Economic Development Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to allocate certain unexpended SDREZ Funds to the Small Business Relief Fund to support businesses' ability to sustain operations, retain employees, address unforeseen changes to supply and demand, and alleviate immediate and long-term economic impacts related to the COVID-19 virus; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego as follows:

1. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to appropriate SDREZ Funds in Economic & Workforce Development Fund No. 200736 to the Small Business Relief Fund as follows: \$400,000 reappropriated from the Placemaking Revolving Loan Fund; and \$150,000 from the Activation Grants Program.

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2. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to appropriate and expend an amount

not to exceed \$550,000 from Fund No. 200736 for any contracts entered as part of the City's

Small Business Relief Fund.

The Mayor, or designee, is authorized to negotiate and enter into agreements. 3.

execute any and all documents, and take all other necessary actions necessary or appropriate to

implement this Resolution.

All small business relief fund applications must include a statement of financial

hardship in connection with COVID-19 as well as meet all the eligibility requirements set by the

Economic Development Department in order to receive funds. Financial hardship shall mean a

decrease in business income, reduction in labor force is imminent, reduction in consumer

demand, production and/or ability to fulfill product and service orders.

APPROVED: MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

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**Deputy City Attorney** 

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meeting of MAR 25 2020	assed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at the
	ELIZABETH S. MALAND City Clerk
	By Connie Patterson Deputy City Clerk
Approved: 3/26/2020 (date)	KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor
Vetoed: (date)	KEVIN I. FAUL CONER Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City	of San Die	go onMA	AR <b>2</b> 5 2020	, by the following vote		
Councilmembers Barbara Bry Jennifer Campbell Chris Ward Monica Montgomery Mark Kersey Chris Cate Scott Sherman Vivian Moreno	of San Die	go onMA	Not Present	, by the following vote		
Georgette Gómez  Date of final passage MAR ( Please note: When a resolution passage is the date the approvention)			was returned to	the Office of the City		
AUTHENTICATED BY:		Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.				
(Seal)			·	MALAND San Diego, California. Deputy		
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