



CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO AMEND THE FAÇADE AND TENANT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FIP/TIP) TO:**

- (1) EXPAND THE PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY CITYWIDE WITH A PRIORITY FOCUS ON PRIORITY UNDERINVESTED COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS;**
- (2) WAIVE MATCHING GRANT REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000);**
- (3) ALLOW STAGGERED MULTI-PHASE REIMBURSEMENTS OF PROJECT COSTS;**
- (4) INCLUDE RETAIL CANNABIS BUSINESSES AS AN ELIGIBLE BUSINESS TYPE;**
- (5) ALLOW PHYSICAL UPGRADES ASSOCIATED WITH OUTDOOR DINING IN CONJUNCTION WITH FLEX STREET PROGRAM PARTICIPATION; AND**
- (6) ALLOW WINDOW REPAIR FROM VANDALISM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500) AS AN ELIGABLE EXPENSE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Façade and Tenant Improvement Programs (FIP/TIP) assist in the elimination of blight, help retain and attract businesses within the program boundaries, create job opportunities, and increase sales tax revenues for the City of Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, the FIP/TIP was originally designed as an incentive program that offers matching grants on a dollar-for-dollar basis to rehabilitate and revitalize commercial buildings and storefronts in targeted commercial districts of the City located in eligible redevelopment project areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the current FIP/TIP incentivizes business and property owners and businesses by providing grants for fifty percent (50%) of project costs to make comprehensive

façade and tenant improvements to enhance the overall physical appearance of various commercial districts and redevelopment areas in the City to attract commercial businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the reimbursable FIP/TIP project work may include paint, signage, landscaping exterior lighting, security systems, awnings/canopies; windows, doors, and safety grilles; restoration of historical façade features, and compliance with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) and interior tenant improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, an equity analysis of the FIP/TIP program was conducted and program modifications were identified to increase equity outcomes; now, therefore, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator is authorized to amend the Façade and Tenant Improvement Program (FIP/TIP) to: 1) expand the program eligibility Citywide with a priority focus on priority underinvested commercial corridors; 2) waive matching grant requirements for grants up to Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000); 3) allow staggered reimbursements of project costs; 4) include retail cannabis businesses as an eligible business type; 5) allow construction upgrades associated with outdoor dining in conjunction with flex street program permitting; and 6) allow window repair from vandalism up to Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) as an eligible program expense; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That all agreements executed pursuant to the Resolution shall be approved as to form and legality by the City Attorney's Office and filed with the City Administrator's Office.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, KALB, KAPLAN, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND  
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
ASHA REED  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California