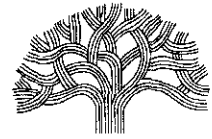


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TO: City Councilmembers, City Administrator
FROM: Nancy Nadel, Council District 3
DATE: December 5, 2006
RE: Resolution Authorizing Immediate Allocation of \$5,000 Of Councilmember Nancy J. Nadel's Priority Project Funds To The Martin Luther King 2007 Celebration Hosted by The Attitudinal Healing Connection of Oakland

SUMMARY

Each Councilmember has been allocated \$250,000 in Councilmember Priority Funds as one of the amendments to the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Mid-Cycle Budget. I would like to allocate \$5,000 of District 3 Priority funds to The Attitudinal Healing Connection of Oakland for expenses related to hosting their Martin Luther King 2007 Celebration.

FISCAL IMPACT

The \$250,000 is in the Mid-Cycle Budget that was approved at the June 8, 2006, City Council Special Session. Releasing these funds will have no negative impact on this Budget.

BACKGROUND

During discussions of the 2006-2007 Mid-Cycle Budget, Councilmembers requested funds for projects and/or institutions they felt particularly worthy of support. To accommodate these requests, the Council allocated \$2,000,000 – or \$250,000 to each Council District plus the At-Large seat. The allocation of these funds would be at the discretion of each individual Councilmember, but subject to overall Council approval.

DISCUSSION

The Attitudinal Healing Connection, Inc. (AHC) was founded in Oakland in 1989, with the goal of eliminating violence and fear by creating spiritual and educational programs that incorporate art, health, diversity, and social justice in order to build peaceful and loving communities. AHC is a non-religious and non-political organization that addresses the psychological and social needs of individuals and communities confronting catastrophic situations such as racism, violence, and poverty.

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Each year, for the past nine years, AHC brings together community members for its annual Martin Luther King Celebration, in order to hold crucial conversations about creating peaceful options and outcomes, deepening our knowledge of Dr. Martin Luther King's nonviolent teachings and of other nonviolent alternatives. During the 2006 Holiday Celebration more than 700 people gathered at Taylor Memorial to honor the legacy of Dr. King, and many signed up to volunteer and practice the art of "being the change we wish to see in the world."

This year's Celebration will build on that work by continuing to promote volunteerism and encourage a spirit of community service in Oakland. To that end, the ninth annual Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday Celebration, to be held on January 15, 2007, will honor individuals who have offered exemplary service in education, philanthropy, community, and youth activism, in particular highlighting the work of women as peacemakers.

RECOMMENDATION(S) AND RATIONALE

Council approval is requested for allocation of \$5,000 to Attitudinal Healing Connection of Oakland, for expenses related to their Martin Luther King 2007 Celebration.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Nadel

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City Councilmember, District 3

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Oakland City Attorney's Office

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NANCY NADEL

Resolution Authorizing Immediate Allocation of \$5,000 Of Councilmember Nancy J. Nadel's Priority Project Funds To The Martin Luther King 2007 Celebration Hosted by The Attitudinal Healing Connection of Oakland

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2006 the City Council did amend the 2005-2007 Policy Budget for the City of Oakland to include \$250,000 apiece for each Councilmember to use as priority funds for projects at each councilmember's discretion but subject to City Council approval; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Nancy J. Nadel has identified the Attitudinal Healing Connection, Inc. as a recipient for \$5,000 of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the Attitudinal Healing Connection, Inc. (AHC), founded in Oakland in 1989, serves a public purpose in that it works to eliminate violence and fear by creating spiritual and educational programs that incorporate art, health, diversity, and social justice in order to build peaceful and loving communities; and

WHEREAS, AHC is a non-religious and non-political organization that addresses the psychological and social needs of individuals and communities confronting catastrophic situations such as racism, violence, and poverty; and

WHEREAS, this year there have been more than 100 homicides in the City of Oakland and it is urgent that we gather as a community to hold crucial conversations about creating peaceful options and outcomes, deepening our knowledge of Dr. Martin Luther King's nonviolent teachings and of other nonviolent alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the ninth annual Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday Celebration on January 15, 2007, will honor individuals who have offered exemplary service in education, philanthropy, community, and youth activism, in particular highlighting the work of women as peacemakers; and

WHEREAS, during the 2006 Holiday Celebration more than 700 people gathered at Taylor Memorial to honor the legacy of Dr. King, and many signed up to volunteer and practice the art of "being the change we wish to see in the world," and this year's Celebration builds on that work by continuing to promote volunteerism and encourage a spirit of community service in Oakland; and

WHEREAS, AHC is asking all of Oakland to join them in making this National Holiday a day of rededication and recommitment to service in the spirit of Dr. King and not just a day off work, whereby everyone can honor Dr. King and his teachings simply by being of service; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That \$5,000 of Councilmember Nancy J. Nadel's priority project funds be apportioned to Attitudinal Healing connection at the earliest possible time, to be used for their Martin Luther King 2007 Celebration.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 2006

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BRUNNER, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, BROOKS, REID, CHANG, and
PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of
the City of Oakland, California