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- TO! NOV Office 10 200 City Administrator
- ATTN: Deanna Santana, City Administrator

FROM: Arturo M. Sanchez, Assistant to the City Administrator

DATE: November 3, 2011

Re: Public Hearing, Discussion, and Possible Action (Including a Proposed Resolution) Regarding Activities of "Occupy Oakland" at Frank H. Ogawa Plaza and Other Areas of the City, Including Without Limitation, Demonstrations, Assembly, Overnight Stays, Encampment and City Protocols, and Policies

#### SUMMARY

In preparation for the special meeting of the Oakland City Council, attached please find all relevant communications made with the individuals participating in the Occupy Wall Street movement located at the Frank Ogawa Plaza, and the Information Memos shared with the Oakland City Council during the communications.

If the City Council would like staff is prepared to make a presentation.

britted. Respectfully Arturo M. Sanehez Assistant to the City Administrator

APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO Special Meeting of the Oakland City Council:

Office of the City Administrator

Attachments:

Flyer, "Attention Occupy Wall Street Protesters," October 12, 2011 Information Memo to Mayor and City Council, October 16, 2011 Flyer, "Attention Occupy Wall Street Protesters," October 16, 2011 Flyer, "Attention Occupy Oakland Demonstrators," October 18, 2011 Information Memo to Mayor and City Council, October 18, 2011 Flyer, "Attention Occupy Oakland Demonstrators," October 19, 2011 Flyer, "Attention Occupy Oakland Demonstrators," October 19, 2011 Information Memo to Mayor and City Council, October 19, 2011 Flyer, "Notice to Vacate Frank Ogawa Plaza," October 20, 2011 Distribution of Flyer to Mayor and City Council, October 20, 2011 Flyer, "Notice of Violations and Demand to Cease Violations-(Frank Ogawa Plaza)", October 21, 2011 Flyer, "Notice of Violations and Demand to Cease Violations- (Snow Park)," October 21, 2011 Flyer, "Availability of Homeless Services-(Frank Ogawa Plaza)," October 21, 2011 Flyer, "Notice of Violations and Demand to Cease Violations-(Frank Ogawa Plaza)," October 22, 2011 Flver, "Notice of Violations and Demand to Cease Violations-(Snow Park)," October 22, 2011 Flyer, "Availability of Homeless Services-(Frank Ogawa Plaza)," October 22, 2011 Flyer, "Availability of Homeless Services-(Snow Park)," October 22, 2011 Flyer, "Notice of Violations and Demand to Cease Violations-(Frank Ogawa Plaza)," October 23, 2011 Flyer, "Notice of Violations and Demand to Cease Violations-(Snow Park)," October 23, 2011 Flyer, "Availability of Homeless Services-(Frank Ogawa Plaza)," October 23, 2011 Flyer, "Availability of Homeless Services-(Snow Park)," October 23, 2011 Flyer, "Notice of Violations and Demand to Cease Violations-(Frank Ogawa Plaza)," October 24, 2011 Flyer, "Notice of Violations and Demand to Cease Violations-(Snow Park)", October 24, 2011 Flyer, "Availability of Services-(Frank Ogawa Plaza)," October 24, 2011 Flyer, "Availability of Services-(Snow Park)," October 24, 2011

Flyer, "To Recover Items Left in City of Oakland Parks or Taken From Subjects Taken into Custody," October 25, 2011

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Arturo M. Sanchez, Assistant to the City Adntinistrator TTY/TDD Main FAX Voicemail

# ATTENTION OCCUPY WALL STREET PROTESTERS

The City of Oakland respects your First Amendment right to free speech. We have several rules that we need you to comply to ensure the health and safety of your group, and to respect the City's Plaza, which is a public park:

- 1. Please do not tie off your tents and or tarps on City property (light poles, trees, benches, etc). An exception has been made for the First Aid tent <u>only.</u>
- 2. Please do not barricade and/or encamp in our bench shelters located around the Plaza. They are public space and must be accessible to all.
- 3. Please do not urinate on City Property or on our historical landmarked Tree.
- 4. Amplified sound in the plaza requires a permit. You can apply for a permit on the 11th floor of City Hall, Nancy Marcus. You will not be denied, but you must have a permit.
- 5. Please relocate port-a-potties to a more appropriate site: Along the 14<sup>th</sup> Street side of the Plaza.
- 6. Please keep our park clean. To aid you the City will provide green trash bags and trash boxes.

Please abide by these requirements and we will do our best to work with you to make sure that you are afforded every opportunity to continue to your safe and respectful action. We recommend that you elect spokespeople for your action as it will make it easier for the City to communicate with the group and negotiate any support and or direction that we may need to provide.

Keep in mind that regardless of your First Amendment right, the City reserves the right to control the time, place and mamer of your speech. Should this action become dangerous and or violate City policy, we will take steps to address those violations for your and the puble's safety. Please remove any attached tarps, tents, cardboards, etc. from City property by 4 p.m. today, Wednesday October 12, 2011. Any equipment which remains attached after 4 p.m. will be removed by City staff

#### For Questions or Concerns please contact:

Arturo M Sanchez Assistant to the City Administrator City Administrator's Office email: <u>asanchez@oaklandnet.com</u> Office: (510) 238-7542 Fax: (510) 238-7084

#### For Civic Center Complex and PWA assistance:

Office of the Director Brooke Levin - PWA Assistant Director, Department of Facilities and Environment

Facilities Management Derin Minor - Facilities Manager - Office 510 238-3219 cell 510 385-9938 Renay Jackson - Assistant Complex Manager - Office 510 238-6355

Security Charles Blatcher - Cypress Security Project Manager - 510 754-3718

Please be advised of the following upcoming Scheduled Events

10/15 - There is a Free Speech Job Rally scheduled for this Saturday, they are expecting 1000 people. The Rally is sponsored by the "Move on Eastbay Council. (Frank Ogawa Plaza)

10/20 - United Policy Holders 75 attendees (City Hall)

10/21 - Nuptial Ceremony - 13 attendees (Frank Ogawa Plaza)

DISTRIBUTION DATE: October 16, 2011



# MEMORANDUM

#### TO: HONORABLE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Arturo Sanchez

### SUBJECT: COMMUNICATION WITH OCCUPY OAKLAND RE: PLAZA CONCERNS & CONDITIONS

**DATE:** October 16, 2011

City AdministratorAPPROVEDDate:October 16, 2011Approvalas of 4:30 p.m. by DJS

#### **INFORMATION**

Attached please find a copy of the flyer staff will be distributing this evening to members of the Occupy Oakland encampment Today Sunday, October 16, 2011 Arturo M. Sanchez will be communicating directly with you to take down your concerns and convey our current assessment and plans to address this situation.

Please feel free to communicate directly with Arturo if you have questions, concerns, or comments at (510) 238-7542.

Respectfully\_sul ₽đ. RTURO SAINCHEZ Assistant to the City Administrator

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Please be advised that we have received several complaints stemming from activities by and in connection with the encampment, which include the following:

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- 3. Fire code violations that pose life safety concerns
- 4. Illegal use of power from City electrical sources
- 5. Litter and vandalism affecting plaza and adjoining commercial areas
- 6. Damage to the park lawn which will require City expenditures to repair
- 7. Use of interior home furniture in public view within the plaza
- 8. Excessively loud drumming and sound amplification

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Please take the following measures to address the complaints and ensure personal and environmental health and safety:

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### ATTENTION OCCUPY OAKLAND DEMONSTRATORS Date: October 18, 2011, 10:30 am

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The notice distributed Sunday October 16, 2011 at approximately 6 pm indicated that we would provide 24 hours to bring down the structure built into the infrastmeture of the Plaza. As of now, it appears that the structure has been partially dismantled. We thank you for your attention to this safety hazard. While we appreciate your efforts to comply with this requirement, we request that the structure be completely removed as soon as possible in order to maintain a safe environment. Please be advised that if the structure is not completely removed, the City will complete the dismantling of the structure without further communication.

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# The City of Oakland is committed to facilitating peaceful forms of expression and free speech rights, and protecting personal safety and property.

The City of Oakland has been communicating with you about the various public health and safety issues we have observed or that have been reported to us. In an effort to maintain ongoing communication about the City's primary concerns about public health, safety, and crowd control related to the demonstration, additional effort is required to address these concerns and complaints:

#### $\Rightarrow$ Fire Safety

- Propane or butane canisters and tanks are not being appropriately stored/disposed of, which poses a safety risk. Empty canisters and tanks must be removed and properly disposed of
- Stacks of wood located throughout the camp also represent a fire hazard and must be removed.
- Fire extinguishers must be installed near the cooking areas.
- Communication regarding additional fire safety issues that may be identified following a fire inspection today may be forthcoming.
- $\Rightarrow$  Cooking
  - Food must be properly stored to minimize the attraction of rats. We are concerned that food and open food containers are exacerbating an existing rat problem which must be addressed to protect public health in and around the Plaza and downtown.
- $\Rightarrow$  Soil Deliveries
  - We have observed boxes of dirt being carted in to the Plaza area.
  - Deliveries of soil or items other than water or food are not peimitted.
- $\Rightarrow$  Trespassing in City Buildings
  - This morning an individual was caught inside a utility room in a City building pilfering through City property. City Hall restrooms and offices are open to the public during normal business hours, but trespassing or removal of City property is illegal.
- ⇒ Graffiti and Vandalism
  - City crews are cleaning up graffiti and repairing damage to the Plaza on a daily basis.
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  - Help us stop vandalism before it occurs and clean it up when it is spotted.
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Yesterday afternoon, the City distributed a flyer informing demonstrators that the Oakland Police Department would be facilitating a march at 5pm that started at 14th and Broadway; the intent of the flyer was to assure demonstrators that OPD was not assembling to take action against the Plaza protestors.

Some Occupy Oakland demonstrators responded to the flyer with hostility and threats of violence and riots. In addition, we have received complaints about threatening, intimidating, hostile behavior towards the public, City employees, and members of the news media.

The City of Oakland is committed to facilitating *peaceful* expressions of free speech rights. However, we will not tolerate riots, vandalism, destruction of property, attempted riots, or violence towards the puble, employees, the media or the police. These actions would threaten public health and safety, and would compromise the current accommodations enjoyed by demonstrators.

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The City of Oakland has been communicating with you about the various public health and safety issues we have observed or that have been reported to us. In an effort to maintain ongoing communication about the City's primary concerns about public health, safety, and crowd control related to the demonstration, additional effort is required to address these concerns and complaints:

#### ⇒ Fire Safety

Propane or butane canisters and tanks are not being appropriately stored/disposed of, which poses a safety risk. Empty canisters and tanks must be removed and properly disposed of.

- Stacks of wood located throughout the camp also represent a fire hazard and must be removed.
- Fire extinguishers must be installed near the cooking areas.
- Communication regarding additional fire safety issues that may be identified following a fire inspection today may be forthcoming.

#### $\Rightarrow$ Cooking

• Food must be properly stored to minimize the attraction of rats. We are concerned that food and open food containers are exacerbating an existing rat problem which must be addressed to protect public health in and around the Plaza and downtown.

#### $\Rightarrow$ Soil Deliveries

- We have observed boxes of dirt being carted in to the Plaza area.
- Deliveries of soil or items other than water or food are not permitted.
- $\Rightarrow$  Trespassing in City Buildings
  - This morning an individual was caught inside a utility room in a City building pilfering
  - through City property. City Hall restrdoms and offices are open to the public during normal business hours, but trespassing or removal of City property is illegal.
- $\Rightarrow$  Graffiti and Vandalism
  - City crews are cleaning up graffiti and repairing damage to the Plaza on a daily basis.
  - The Plaza is a publicly programmed space and needs to be maintained free of vandalism and graffiti for others that use it.
  - Help us stop vandalism before it occurs and clean it up when it is spotted.
- $\Rightarrow$  Public Urination
  - Do not urinate on public facilities, property or outside port-a-potties.
- ⇒ Amplified Sound/Music
  - The City continues to receive complaints about noise levels in the Plaza.
  - Sound permits are required for amplified sound in the Plaza. These may be obtained by contacting Arturo Sanchez at (510) 238-7542 or asanchez@oaklandnet.com.
  - Sound permits will only be granted for the hours between 12 and 1 pm, or after 5 pm.

⇒ Dogs

Dogs are not permitted in the Plaza or City parks and must be removed.

The City has also heard complaints about sexual harassment, fighting, public drinking, intoxication, drug use and sex in public. These behaviors are raising the City's concern about the health and well-being of demonstration participants, visitors, employees, and the surrounding community alike.

We continue to ask your assistance and cooperation in ensuring that you address these issues and accommodate the needs and rights of all users of the Plaza. Please be mindful that this Plaza is used by the public, employees, and schools. We require these courtesies to peacefully coexist.

#### Violence will not be Tolerated

Yesterday afternoon, the City distributed a flyer informing demonstrators that the Oakland Police Department would be facilitating a march at 5pm that started at 14th and Broadway; the intent of the flyer was to assure demonstrators that OPD was not assembling to take action against the Plaza protestors.

Some Occupy Oakland demonstrators responded to the flyer with hostility and threats of violence and riots. ht addition, we have received complaints about threatening, intimidating, hostile behavior towards the public, City employees, and members of the news media.

The City of Oakland is committed to facilitating *peaceful* expressions of free speech rights. However, we will not tolerate riots, vandalism, destruction of property, attempted riots, or violence towards the *p*ublic, employees, the media or the police. These actions would threaten *p*ublic health and safety, and would compromise the current accommodations enjoyed by demonstrators.

#### Public Programming in Frank Ogawa Plaza this Week

As we have discussed, the Plaza is used by many public groups and gatherings. We expect the following programming to occur in the plaza this week:

*Thursday October 20, 2011 4 pm.* There will be a United Policyholders event in front of City Hall and inside on the Rotunda building. Please respect these groups' right to access both areas.

Friday, October 21, 2011 2:30 pm. There is a private wedding scheduled in the Amphitheater area of the Plaza;, please respect this ceremony.

Remember, you must not prohibit, impede, or in any other way obstruct the use of the plaza by these groups as they have the same right to access this plaza as you do. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### Communications on City Web Site

We recognize that the participants in the Occupy Oakland demonstration fluctuate; to facilitate ongoing access to the rules and regulations surrounding use of the Plaza, we have set up a section on the City's <u>home page</u> (www.oaklandnet.com) where we will post these notices for reference.

Thank you for doing your part to ensure that Frank Ogawa Plaza is a safe and heahhy place for everyone in our community to enjoy.

City Administrator's Office



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### ATTENTION DEMONSTRATORS Date: October 20, 2011, 8:00 pm

# NOTICE TO VACATE FRANK OGAWA PLAZA

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During the past 10 days, City officials have provided written documentation—handed out in person and posted on the City's web site—outlining specific public health, safety, and crowd control issues to be addressed by demonstrators.

We believe that after 10 days, the City can no longer uphold public health and safety. In recent days, camp conditions and occupants' behavior have significantly deteriorated, and it is no longer manageable to maintain a public health and safety plan. These conditions, which have not been sufficiently addressed, include:

- Fire hazards: cooking with open flame, improper storage and disposal of propane tanks, storage of grease, inadequate fire extinguishers, density of tents and flammable materials, smoking in tents, piles of hay and wood
- Safety hazards: increasing frequency of violence, assaults, threats and intimidation
- Denial of access: to emergency personnel to treat injured persons and to police to patrol the Plaza
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- Health hazards: existing rodent problem has been exacerbated and is endangering public health. County vector control is unable to implement measures to control the rat population under current conditions
- Physical damage: graffiti, vandalism and other damage to Plaza infrastructure and the historic tree
- Disruption of the Plaza for public use: some events for groups who have complied with City regulations have been reprogrammed or relocated

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### Orologas, Alexandra

From:Boyd, KarenSent:Thursday, October 20, 2011 7:38 PMTo:DL - City Council; DL - Mayor's Staff; DL - CAO ManagersSubject:Latest bulletin to Plaza demonstratorsAttachments:Ocupy Oakland Flyer Thursday October 20.pdf

Dear Mayor Quan, Council President Reid and Members of the City Council,

On behalf of City Administrator Santana, attached please find the most recent notice to Plaza demonstrators communicating the need to vacate the Plaza as result of deteriorating public health and safety conditions.

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Sincerely,

Karen Boyd

Citywide Communications Director Assistant to the City Administrator City of Oakland tel: (510) 238-6365 email: <u>kboyd@oaklandnet.com</u>

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### ATTENTION TO PERSONS STAYING OVERNIGHT IN SNOW PARK Date: October 21, 2011

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### ATTENTION PERSONS STAYING OVERNIGHT IN FRANK OGAWA PLAZA Date: October 21, 2011, 7:00 pm

# **AVAILABILITY OF HOMELESS SERVICES**

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### ATTENTION TO PERSONS STAYING OVERNIGHT IN FRANK OGAWA PLAZA Date: October 22, 2011

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# **AVAILABILITY OF SERVICES**

### Overnight Lodging

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### <u>Medical Assessment</u>

At City's request, be advised that we are coordinating with County Public Health and Environmental Health for site visits and assessments. We hope to provide mobile services some time today. In addition to the above services, here are additional services that you can call.

Alameda County Services available to Occupy Oakland individuals:

Behavioral Health Services ACCESS line	800 - 491-9099
Public Health Clearing House	888 - 604-4636
2-1-1 - Countywide 24/7 referral line	211
Emergency situations to activate EMS	911

### <u>Fire Hazards</u>

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In order to facilitate your compliance with immediate life threatening conditions of which you have been advised, the Oakland Fire Department (OFD) will pick up Hazardous materials such as propane/butane tanks, cooking oil, and other flammable materials. Please place all flammable and hazardous materials on the14<sup>th</sup> Street side curb near the bus shelter on the City Hall side of the Shelter by 2pm.

OFD will pick such material no later than 3pm today Monday October 24, 2011.

The above services are provided to facilitate your compliance with the City's cease overnight camping.

# To recover items left in City of **Oakland Parks or taken from** subjects taken into custody please CITY l Of OAKLAND follow below instructions:

**Item Description** 

### Who will have the item and how long before it is Who to contact to get it disposed of:

# back:

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Items taken from your person for	These items were recovered by	Contact the Oakland Police
safekeeping. You will have received a	the Oakland Police Department	Department Property and Evidence
pink receipt. These are items that are not	and will only be held 60 days	Unit at (510)238-3874 to make an
considered evidence or illegal and that the	before being disposed of	appointment. (Information and
jail refuses to store for the arrestee.		contact info is on the pink receipt.)
Contraband and items taken as evidence.	These items were recovered by	Contact the Oakland Police
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	the Oakland Police Department	Department Criminal Investigation
	and will be held until released by	Division at (510)238-3951 to inquire
	an investigator or a court order is	about a release.
	issued releasing the item.	
Large bulk items left behind in a park: such	These items were recovered by	Contact the Oakland Public Works
as tents, bedding, clothing, toiletries,	Public Works Agency and will	Agency at (510) 615-5566 between
bicycles, furniture, books, kitchen items	be only held for 30 Days.	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to make
	£	arrangements to claim the items.
Small Valuables left behind in a park: cell	These items were recovered by	Contact the Oakland Police
phones, computers, computers, wallets,	the Oakland Police Department	Department Property and Evidence
musical instruments etc	and will only be held 90 days	Unit at (510)238-3874 to make an
	before being disposed of	appointment to get it back.
Animals	Animals were impounded by	Contact the Oakland Animal
	Oakland Animal Services.	Services at (510)535-5602 to make
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# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_C.M.S.

### INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER NADEL

Resolution Supporting The Occupy Wall Street Protest Movement, Declaring That City Continues To Unequivocally Embrace The First Amendment To The U.S. Constitution And The City's Duty To Uphold The People's Right To Peaceful Assembly And Urging Mayor Jean Quan To Collaborate With "Occupy Oakland" To Develop Measures And Procedures To Ensure Safety Of The Protestors, Their Supporters, City Employees And The Greater Public

WHEREAS, "Occupy Wall Street" was formed by a broad spectrum of people coming together to protest the corporate-serving economic and political system controlled by the one percent (1%), profiting at the expense of ninety-nine percent (99%) of the people; and

WHEREAS, three years after the current financial crisis caused by Wall Street speculators and profiteers, the unemployment rate in the United States is still at the highest level since the Great Depression with the unemployment rate in Oakland reaching double digits; and;

WHEREAS, the United States' major banking institutions, which have been bailed-out by the government and United States taxpayers, have done little to prevent massive foreclosure of residential properties or support the revitalization of local economies by sustaining small businesses; and

WHEREAS, since 2008, there have been 1.2 million foreclosures in California, with 10,000 completed foreclosures in Oakland alone since January 2007; and

WHEREAS, The "Occupy Wall Street" protest movement has struck a chord with the people of the United States and around the world, inspiring over 900 similar protests and solidarity actions across the country, where tens of thousands of people have come out to express their deep indignation against Wall Street greed and systemic socioeconomic injustices; and

WHEREAS, the "Occupy" demonstrations are a rapidly growing movement of people from all walks of life with the goal of occupying public space in order to create a shared dialogue and assert demands for economic justice; and SPECIAL

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WHEREAS, the "Occupy" demonstrations have been supported by the California Nurses Association/National Nurses Association, American Federation of Labor -Congress of Industrial Organizations, Change to Win, International Longshore and Warehouse Union-International, Teamsters Joint Council 7, Services Employees International Union, Laborers International Union of North America, and many others; and

WHEREAS, the "Occupy Oakland" demonstrations began in September with small gatherings of people and have since grown and gained support from thousands of individuals, community and faith-based organizations, and unions; and

WHEREAS, similar to demonstrations in hundreds of cities across the United States, "Occupy Oakland" demonstrators are asserting their rights to free speech and peacefnl assembly 24 hours a day, seven days a week, in order to create public dialogue around corporate control of the political process and public space; and

WHEREAS, numerous and various groups continued to join the protesters at "Occupy Oakland"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland has a right and duty to take actions and establish procedures with the goal of ensuring the safety and security of the general public including but not limited to the protestors and their supporters; and

WHEREAS, during period of the protests, the City removed food, tents, sleeping bags, and other belongings from the grass area of Frank H. Ogawa Plaza; and

WHEREAS, some members of the public have suffered injuries and some members of the public have been arrested during the period of the protests; and

WHEREAS, the City has a lengthy and proud history of political protest and has upheld the rights of people to free speech, freedom of assembly, and peaceful protest; and,

WHEREAS, members of the Oakland Police Department and other City employees and officers, the protestors, their supporters, the overwhelming majority of Oakland residents, business owners and their employees and Oakland visitors are all part of the 99%, and the Oakland City Council desires that all of these entities, groups and people act in solidarity to focus on the economic and social inequities in our society, and does not want to see the power of the movement undercut by splintering and pitting people, who share the same status and goals, against each other; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires that the Mayor set a tone of cooperation and collaboration with "Occupy Oakland" protestors and supporters, in addressing any public safety, health and sanitation concerns; now, therefore, be it **RESOLVED**, That the Oakland City Council supports the "Occupy Wall Street" protest movement and the rights of all who protest to assemble peacefully and enjoy free speech in the City of Oakland; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Oakland City Council recognizes that Free Speech and Freedom of Assembly is a sacred right under the U.S. Constitution; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Oakland City Council urges Mayor Jean Quan to direct the Recreation and Park Department, the Department of Public Works, the Police Department, and other City agencies, as relevant, to collaborate with protestors for the safe and lawful use of public spaces, in which demonstrators can exercise their First Amendment rights and the City can address safety concerns and laws in a cooperative manner; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Oakland City Council urges the City Administration, whenever reasonably possible to address any public health issues, fire safety issues, noise disturbances of neighbors or violence in the camp, with verbal communication among the protestors and city or county officials; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Oakland City Council declares that it does not support the use of force to remove the encampment unless absolutely necessary, after, engaging in verbal communications, whenever reasonably possible; and urges Mayor Jean Quan, and the City Administration to exercise their administrative powers, if possible, in a manner that will not involve the use of force to remove the encampment.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

#### BROOKS, BRUNNER, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF, AND PRESIDENT REID

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Attest:

LaTonda Simmons City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California



