



City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY VICE MAYOR KAPLAN AND COUNCIL MEMBER REID

RESOLUTION URGING STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS TO PROVIDE THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND ALAMEDA COUNTY WITH MORE DOSES OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE TO FACILITATE THE EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF THE VACCINE TO UNDER-SERVED COMMUNITIES IN SITES LIKE THE MASS VACCINATION SITE AT THE OAKLAND COLISEUM.

WHEREAS, according to data from the Alameda County Department of Public Health as of January 25, 2021, 102,750 vaccine doses have been received; and

WHEREAS, demand for the vaccine in Alameda County continues to exceed supply and the County is still in Phase 1A of the vaccination prioritization framework, and only health care workers are eligible to receive a vaccination; and

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2021, the Oakland Coliseum was approved by the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum Joint Powers Authority Board (“JPA”) to be a mass vaccination site; and

WHEREAS, according to data from the Alameda County Department of Public Health Department as of January 26, 2021, the zip codes that have the highest case rates of COVID-19 (94601, 94603, 94606, and 94621) are in Districts 5, 6, and 7 and are home for a significant number of Oakland’s Black and Latinx residents; and

WHEREAS, Black and Latinx residents have a disproportionate number of hospitalizations and deaths compared to the overall population; and most of these residents live in Oakland Council Districts 3, 5, 6 and 7; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission has identified communities of concern relative to the COVID-19 pandemic as being located in the areas proximate to the Oakland Coliseum (See Attachment A); and

WHEREAS, the County of Alameda must provide equitable access to a COVID-19 vaccine, especially for people of color, who are disproportionately affected by the virus and have experienced longstanding disparities in health outcomes and access to high quality healthcare; and

WHEREAS, essential workers are disproportionately impacted and have been on the front lines, continuing to work, and risking their lives throughout this pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve herd immunity in the City of Oakland, it will be vital to achieve high vaccination rates in our communities of color; and

WHEREAS, we must have mass vaccination centers, such as the Oakland Coliseum, that can serve high volumes of people, can be easily accessed, and have hours that accommodate different work schedules; and

WHEREAS, there are existing mass vaccination sites in California currently, such as Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles, Petco Park in San Diego, and Disneyland in Anaheim, which are getting direct support from the state, and where thousands of individuals can be vaccinated in a single day, if there are enough doses; and Alameda County needs a similar point of distribution; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is needed to execute a mass vaccination program for the people of Oakland and Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, the federal aid package passed on December 21, 2020, included \$9 billion toward vaccine distribution and President Biden’s proposed COVID-19 package includes \$20 billion for a national vaccination program; Governor Newsom’s proposed budget for the state sets aside \$372 million for vaccination efforts; and he City must ensure that these funds are pursued and allocated to its vaccination efforts; and

WHEREAS, in light of the foregoing immediate action is urgently needed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That City Council urges state and federal governments to provide the people of Oakland and Alameda County with more doses of the COVID-19 vaccine and funding to facilitate the equitable distribution of the vaccine to under-served communities in sites like the mass vaccination site at the Oakland Coliseum; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Council directs the City Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to Governor Newsom, Senator Nancy Skinner and Assemblymember Rob Bonta.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

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ATTEST: _____

ASHA REED
Acting City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of
the City of Oakland, California

Attachment A

Communities of Concern map (also known as an Equity Index) was developed as a measurement of equity for the Zone Analysis for Bikeway Planning using five-year 2012-2016 ACS data.

