



City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LOREN TAYLOR

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO DEVELOP OPTIONS FOR ESTABLISHING A CITY HALL EAST PROGRAM WHEREBY CITY SERVICES ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO OAKLAND RESIDENTS FROM A SATELLITE LOCATION BETWEEN HIGH STREET AND THE SAN LEANDRO BORDER AND RETURN TO COUNCIL WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN NOVEMBER 2021

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that it is important that all City of Oakland residents have access to City services and programs and that reaching our most vulnerable residents is a high priority; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that when residents are not reached, included, or have access to City services, the City is not able to gain valuable feedback on how best to serve them; and

WHEREAS, City Council recognizes that there is a need for City services and resources to reach residents in areas of the City that are low income and/or have mobility and transportation challenges and it is important for those residents to have access essential housing information, social services and other City services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council in 2020 declared a Public Health Emergency for Black and Latinx communities due to the COVID-19 pandemic and those disparities and inequities persist in health care, housing, food insecurity and financial insecurity; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that the City of Oakland should operate as a model whereby if the City shows a greater presence in East Oakland then businesses and community based organizations and that could provide much needed services and resources will follow the City's lead to better serve our residents; and

WHEREAS, City Council recognizes that there is a need to grow businesses in East Oakland which would increase the tax revenue and result in increased revenues to the City; and

WHEREAS, City Council recognizes that East Oakland over the past decades has lost local businesses that continue to be shuttered and blighted and the area suffers from a lack of grocery stores and other businesses; and

WHEREAS, City Council recognizes that while many parts of Oakland have experienced economic growth, particularly in downtown, East Oakland has not experienced the same amount of economic growth and suffers from a lack of investment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the benefit of offering City Hall services and resources through a program called City Hall East in the Central City East Project Area; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is requested to assess and provide recommendations on the feasibility of offering City services to Oakland residents including, but not limited to, housing resources, rental assistance, business assistance, and building and planning assistance; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is requested to assess and provide recommendations on the costs and feasibility of the City entering into agreements to pay for commercial space and associated utility costs in the Central City East Project Area for Fiscal Year 21-22 and Fiscal Year 22-23; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is requested to assess and provide recommendations on the costs and feasibility of funding tenant improvements to a commercial space in the Central City East Project Area for Fiscal Year 21-22 and Fiscal Year 22-23; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council directs the City Administrator to develop options for establishing a City Hall East program whereby City services are made available to Oakland residents from a satellite location in the Central City East Project Area between High Street and the San Leandro border and return to Council with recommendations for implementation in November 2021.

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