

RESOLUTION NO. 71-2007

Adopted June 19, 2007

**AUTHORIZING A LETTER AGREEMENT WITH THE MAYOR'S
OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, IN AN AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED \$2,165,624, SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS, FOR ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACTS WITH
FIVE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE
BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT
SERVICES FROM JULY 1, 2007 TO JUNE 30, 2008;
ALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND SURVEY AREAS**

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

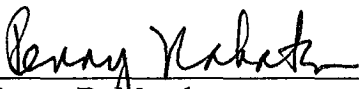
1. To further the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco's ("Agency") economic development efforts in various redevelopment project and survey areas, the Agency has been administering one letter agreement with the Mayor's Office of Community Development ("MOCD") for business development assistance and one personal services contract with the Private Industry Council of San Francisco, Inc., a California nonprofit public benefit corporation ("PIC"), for employment development assistance for the last seven years. These economic development efforts include:
 - *Business development assistance:* business technical assistance and loan packaging services to project area businesses and businesses that serve low- and moderate-income project area residents, and entrepreneurial training services to low- and moderate-income project and survey area residents; and
 - *Employment development assistance:* employment development and training services in support of the Agency's Workforce Program, including referrals of qualified low- and moderate-income project and survey area residents to developers and their contractors for both construction and long-term employment.
2. The existing MOCD letter agreement and PIC personal services contract both expire on June 30, 2007, and PIC representatives have informed Agency staff that the organization is dissolving as of June 30, 2007. As a result, Agency staff seeks to enter into a letter agreement with MOCD for a term of one year, from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, in an amount not to exceed \$2,165,624 (the "Letter Agreement"), subject to the appropriation of funds, to provide business assistance services and the same employment development services that PIC formerly provided through five community-based organizations ("CBOs"). These CBOs include: (1) the South of Market Foundation, doing business as Urban Solutions; (2) Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center; (3) Ella Hill Hutch Community Center; (4) Young Community Developers; and (5) Mission Hiring Hall.

3. Approval of the Letter Agreement is not a CEQA project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") definition of a project contained in Section 15378, subdivision (b)(4) and subdivision (b)(5), of the State CEQA Guidelines. Funding and implementation of administrative activities of the Agency through the Letter Agreement related to the provision of business assistance and employment development services will not independently result in a physical change in the environment.

RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco that the Executive Director is authorized to enter into a Letter Agreement with the Mayor's Office of Community Development, in an amount not to exceed \$2,165,624, subject to appropriation of funds, for the administration of contracts with five community-based organizations to provide business assistance and employment development services from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008; all redevelopment project and survey areas.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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