RESOLUTION NO. 31-2009

Adopted March 17, 2009

AUTHORIZING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED LETTER AGREEMENT WITH THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ("MOCI") TO INCLUDE YOUNG COMMUNITY DEVELOPERS, A COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION OFFERING EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, AND TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION BY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $164,151, FOR A TOTAL AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $1,131,668 FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACTS WITH FIVE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FROM JANUARY 1, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2009; ALL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREAS

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

1. To further the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco’s (the “Agency”) economic development efforts in various redevelopment project areas, the Agency entered into a letter agreement with the Mayor’s Office of Community Investment ("MOCI") on July 1, 2007 to contract with five community-based organizations ("CBOs") to provide business assistance and employment development services for all redevelopment project areas until June 30, 2008.

2. The Agency entered into an Amended and Restated Letter Agreement with MOCI to provide services for all redevelopment project areas from July 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. These economic development efforts include:

   - **Business 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 area residents; and

   - **Employment development:** employment development and training services in support of the Agency’s Workforce Program, including referrals of qualified low- and moderate-income project area residents to developers and their contractors for both construction and long-term employment.

3. On December 16, 2008, the Agency entered into a First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Letter Agreement with MOCI, to extend the existing agreement with MOCI for six months. The proposed Agreement runs from January 1, 2009 to June 30, 2009, and includes a budget in an amount not to
exceed $967,517, subject to the appropriation of funds, to continue to provide business assistance and employment development services through four CBOs. These CBOs are: (1) the South of Market Foundation, doing business as Urban Solutions; (2) Asian Neighborhood Design; (3) Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center; and (4) Mission Hiring Hall, Incorporated.

4. Young Community Developers ("YCD") was not included in the First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Letter Agreement with MOCI due to negotiations between Agency staff, representatives from the Office of Economic and Workforce Development and MOCI concerning YCD’s programming and the organization’s ability to meet compliance standards. However, since December 2008, MOCI has verified that YCD was able to meet program compliance requirements for the remaining months of the 2008 contract in the following ways: (1) providing data in a timely manner into MOCI’s on-line data tracking system; (2) submitting a monthly cover sheet outlining how many clients were served; and (3) providing back-up documentation (intake, referral and placement materials) for each client served. Furthermore, YCD has continued its role as a primary partner in the implementation of the Agency’s Construction Workforce Program.

5. Therefore, the Agency seeks to enter into a Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Letter Agreement (the "Agreement") with MOCI to include YCD as a CBO providing employment development services and to increase the compensation by $164,151. In accordance with this Agreement, the Agency seeks to reimburse YCD retroactively for work performed in January and February 2009.

6. The addition of YCD as a contractor to MOCI under the Agreement and the provision of administrative support to businesses and job seekers, and construction monitoring of physical improvements to properties are not projects as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), and would not result in any physical change in the environment. The provision of technical studies under the Agreement to facilitate façade and tenant improvement projects are feasibility and planning studies that would not independently result in a physical change in the environment and are statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15262.

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 Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Letter Agreement with the Mayor’s Office of Community Investment to include Young Community Developers, a community-based organization offering employment development services, and to increase the compensation by an amount not to exceed $164,151, for a total aggregate amount not to
exceed $1,131,668 for the administration of contracts with five community-based organizations to provide business assistance and employment development services from January 1, 2009 to June 30, 2009, substantially in the form lodged with the Agency General Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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for James B. Morales 3/11/09
Agency General Counsel