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### CONSENT CALENDAR

July 31, 2007

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
 From: Councilmember Kriss Worthington  
 Subject: Budget Allocation: San Pablo Neighborhood Park Council

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Berkeley City Council adopt a resolution approving the expenditure of \$ 400 to the San Pablo Neighborhood Park Council funds from Councilmember Worthington's discretionary budget (D-13) to support the San Pablo Park Centennial Celebration.

### BACKGROUND

We are requesting that the City Council approve a \$ 400 contribution to the San Pablo Neighborhood Park Council to support the San Pablo Park Centennial Celebration.

The event will take place on Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 11-6 p.m. at San Pablo Park and will commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the park.

San Pablo Park is the city's oldest park. The land was first purchased in 1907 and plans for the park were developed in 1914 leading to its opening in September 1914, one month after the first general superintendent of city playgrounds was appointed. By 1918, the park had two ball diamonds, two tennis courts, hardball courts, and a field house; it was recognized as "one of the best recreation fields" in the Bay Area.

Over the years a number of improvements were made to the park including a clubhouse, a recreation center, later named in honor of Frances Albrier and tennis courts, basketball courts and play areas.

Over the past 100 years the park has played a central role in the lives of many people not only in West Berkeley but throughout the city. Not only has it served as a place for people to recreate, it has also been a place for the community to come together.

The City of Berkeley has already officially sponsored the event and the Council's approval of the attached resolution will help support this important event that will celebrate the role the park has played in fostering community.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

\$ 400 from Councilmember Worthington's discretionary budget (D-13)

### CONTACT PERSON

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RESOLUTION NO. -N.S.

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE  
EXPENSE ACCOUNT OF COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON FOR A GRANT TO  
PROVIDE PUBLIC SERVICES FOR A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Councilmember Worthington has surplus funds in his office expenditure account (budget code 010-0272-410); and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax exempt corporation, the San Pablo Neighborhood Park Council seeks funds in the amount of \$400 to support the San Pablo Park Centennial Celebration to be held on August 25, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purpose:  
a) educate the community about the history of the park; b) build community pride and awareness; c) celebrate the important role that this park has played in our city.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute a contract with the San Pablo Neighborhood Park Council not to exceed the amount of \$ 400 for the San Pablo Park Centennial Celebration.