

RESOLUTION NO. 120-24

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,
CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH
4LEAF INC. FOR SIDEWALK VENDOR ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES
FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Richmond has enacted a Sidewalk Vendor Ordinance to regulate sidewalk vending activities, ensure public safety, maintain clear public pathways, and create an organized and fair environment for vendors and the community; and

WHEREAS, the State of California, through the passage of Senate Bill 946 (SB 946) in 2018, decriminalized sidewalk vending, recognizing it as a legitimate economic activity that supports entrepreneurship and economic inclusion, particularly for low-income and marginalized communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond is committed to enforcing the Sidewalk Vendor Ordinance in a manner consistent with these values, prioritizing fairness, education, and support over punitive measures; and

WHEREAS, staff has determined that additional resources are required to support continued enforcement of the ordinance, and seeks to enter into a contract with 4Leaf Inc. for enforcement services on an on-call basis, with a contract limit of \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, the selection of 4Leaf Inc. is based on the piggyback procurement method, utilizing the existing contract awarded to 4Leaf Inc. by the City of Pinole through a competitive bidding process conducted in 2022, which included services related to municipal regulatory enforcement, plan check, and staffing services; and

WHEREAS, the piggyback procurement is in accordance with Richmond Municipal Code Section 2.52.330; and

WHEREAS, work authorizations under this contract will be issued as funding becomes available, including the \$500,000 which has been appropriated in the General Fund to the Mobile Vendor Program in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has conducted a meet and confer with the appropriate labor union to ensure compliance with labor agreements, and it has been determined that no objections are anticipated regarding the temporary nature of this contract; and

WHEREAS, staff anticipates that this contract will only be necessary while a permanent staffing solution is being sought for the continuous enforcement of the Sidewalk Vendor Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Richmond, as follows:

Section 1: The foregoing recitals are true and correct, and this City Council hereby so finds and determines.

Section 2: The City Council hereby authorizes staff to enter into a contract with 4Leaf Inc. for Sidewalk Vendor Ordinance enforcement services, based on the piggyback procurement method utilizing the City of Pinole's existing contract, with a total contract amount not to exceed \$500,000.

Section 3: The City Manager or their designee is authorized to take all necessary actions to execute the contract with 4Leaf Inc. and implement the enforcement activities as outlined in this resolution.

Section 4: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held October 22, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bana, McLaughlin, Willis, Zepeda, and Vice Mayor Jimenez.
NOES: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.
ABSENT: Councilmember Robinson and Mayor Martinez.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:

EDUARDO MARTINEZ
Mayor

Approved as to form:

DAVE ALESHIRE
City Attorney

State of California }
County of Contra Costa } : ss.
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of **Resolution No. 120-24**, finally passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on October 22, 2024.



Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond