

RESOLUTION NO. 20-__

Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Approving Revision Of The Business License Tax And Fire Inspection Fee Rebate Program To Expand The Program To Cabaret License Fees And Sidewalk Sign Permit Fees And To Add Bars/Nightclubs/Lounges With 12 Or Fewer Locations As Eligible Businesses To Receive Rebates

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2017 the City Council passed Resolution No. 17-27 approving the Business License Tax and Fire Inspection Fee Rebate Program (“Rebate Program”) and appropriating funds from the Economic Development Fund (Fund 202) for the rebates; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2017 the City Council passed Resolution No. 17-166 approving the Economic Development Strategy for the City; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Strategy includes an Action Item to “Provide cost relief for targeted industries/sites” and suggests rebates for permit fees as a potential implementing measure for this Action Item; and

WHEREAS, on January 15, 2020 the Economic Development Advisory Committee (“EDAC”) reviewed a Business Incentives Framework which included expansion of the Rebate Program to include rebates for Cabaret License and Sidewalk Sign Permit fees as a high priority action, and this was included in the EDAC’s annual report on its accomplishments in 2019 and proposed priorities for 2020 that was presented to the City Council on March 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS, staff has drafted modifications to the Rebate Program Guidelines to expand the Rebate Program to include rebates for Cabaret License and Sidewalk Sign Permit Fees and to add bars/nightclubs/lounges with 12 or fewer locations as eligible businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Operating Budget for Fiscal Years 2019-20 and 2020-21 includes sufficient funding for the Rebate Program in each year from the Economic Development Fund (Fund #202); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the the City Council of the City of Emeryville hereby approves the modifications to the Rebate Program as outlined in the draft guidelines attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Emeryville hereby authorizes the City Manager to make minor modifications to the Rebate Program from time to time as may be necessary to ensure its efficient operation.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Emeryville at a regular meeting held Tuesday, May 5, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



CITY CLERK

CITY ATTORNEY