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RE: 363 6th Street
Realtex Community Outreach

Dear members of the Planning Commission,

The project sponsor for 363 6th Street Project has met with over twenty-five community groups and local businesses to collaborate on the neighborhood needs.

Within last 15 months the Sponsor and the community have identified programs that will benefit the neighborhood as well as create quality place for people to live, work and relax.

## **Project Support**

From working with the community and investing in these programs, the project gained support from seven major community organizations and **56 neighbors**. Among community organizations supporting Realtex's work in the community are organizations including: Walk San Francisco, San Francisco Bicycle Coalition, United Playaz, City Crossroads, SOMArts, National Federation of Filipino American Associations and the South of Market Business Association.

Realtex's commitment to build valuable and lasting relationships builds upon company's ethos of collaboration and partnership with local communities.

While we prepared a complete summary list of all of our outreach effort, we thought it would be helpful to provide overview of the specific programs that we are committed to working with the community. Kindly please see our list and letters of support below.

### **Identified Programs with Community:**

#### 1. Parks

- a. Created partnership with the SF Parks Alliance to fund youth sports programs at Gene Friend Rec Center
- b. Sponsorship of monthly movie night at Victoria Manalo Draves Park

### 2. Vision Zero/Streetscape Improvements

- a. Sponsorship of Bike and Roll to School Day with the SF Bicycle Coalition
- b. Partnership with Walk SF to create and fund a safe routes to school (walking school bus) pilot program at Bessie Carmichael
- c. Partnership with Walk SF and SF Bicycle Coalition to implement street improvements, including planting of trees on 6th Street
- d. Potential bicycle wayfinding pilot program with SFMTA

#### 3. Filipino Community

- a. Sponsorship of the first Filipino Health Equity Symposium
- b. Sponsorship of Heritage Plaque for Victoria Manalo Draves Park & unveiling ceremony
- c. 5 year sponsorship of SOMA Youth Collaborative's summer program, which provides funding to 175 kids attending 4-5 summer field trips

## 4. Other Partnerships

- a. Sponsor is proud member of the South of Market Business Association
- b. Partnership with SOMArts, and proud sponsor of local art events
- c. Sponsorship of various festivals and fundraisers, including Folsom St. Fair event and the SFPD Asian & Pacific Islander chapter
- d. Habitat for Humanity volunteering

The project sponsor of the 363 6<sup>th</sup> Street project is also working with the Recreation and Parks Department to enhance department-owned properties. Parks, sidewalks, and other parts of the public realm will have a new dedicated funding source to address capital improvement and maintenance priorities.

In addition to the above-mentioned public goods, the proposed projects will offer employment opportunities, revitalization of the neighborhood, and health of neighborhood businesses due to new residents and an increase of aid to local neighborhood groups.

# **List of Community Meetings & Groups:**

- Western SOMA Citizens
- Supervisor Jane Kim's Office
- American Friends Service Committee
- Folsom Street Events
- Friends of the Urban Forest
- Bill Sorro Housing
- Filipino-American Development
- SOMA Business Association
- Walk SF
- San Francisco Bicycle Coalition
- SomArts
- Friends of Victoria Manalo Park
- National Federation of Filipino American Associations
- Habitat for Humanity
- SPUR
- Yerba Buena Community Benefit District
- TODCO
- St Vincent de Paul Society
- Senior and Disability Action Network

- SF Park Alliance
- United Playaz
- Gene Friend Rec Center
- Filipino Women's Network
- SF Bay Area Renter's Federation
- SOMCAN
- West Bay Pilipino Center
- Filipino Cultural Center
- KulArts
- Veterans Equity Center
- Bindlestiff Studios

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