

RESOLUTION NO. 14-131 N.C.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
"STRIKE UP THE BANDS" PROJECT**

WHEREAS, upon the completion of the Participatory Budgeting election process, the results were presented to this Council on October 14, 2014, and eight projects were selected by the public, including the "Strike up the Bands" project as described in the 'Description of voter Approved Project Proposal' attached to the staff report on that date, hereinafter, the "Project"; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution No. 13-139 N.C. the Council adopted the Participatory Budgeting Cycle 2 Rulebook determining that Participatory Budgeting projects are eligible for funding if they meet the following criteria:

1. They benefit the public
2. Are a one-time expenditure that can be completed with funds from the Cycle 2 PB process
3. Are implemented by the City of Vallejo, or in collaboration with the Vallejo City Unified School District (VCUSD), the Greater Vallejo Recreation District, or any other Public Agency, non-profit organization, or religious institution that operates in Vallejo. Projects implemented by non-city public agency must also include financial or value in kind contributions; and

WHEREAS, funding for music and arts programs in VCUSD schools have been decreased over the years; and

WHEREAS, studies have shown that participation in music programs increase students' overall academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, Vallejo students and parents have assumed a large percentage of the cost of band programs at the middle and high school level, necessitating year-round fundraising and resulting in a band program that is cost-prohibitive for many students and their families; and

WHEREAS, many instruments used in Vallejo's public middle and high schools have been in use for more than 20 years and are damaged or past their useful life; and

WHEREAS, this Project will support music education for approximately 600 students of the Vallejo City Unified School District annually, many of whom lack the means to pursue music education outside of school or purchase their own instruments.

WHEREAS, the City Council has received evidence and testimony on the Project, and hereby exercises its authority to make the following findings and to resolve as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Vallejo finds the foregoing recitals to be true and additionally finds that implementing this Project will provide a public benefit based on the recitals above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following conditions must be met prior to the disbursement of funds:


1. Execution of one or more Grant Agreements with Vallejo City Unified School District (VCUSD) not to exceed the amount specified in the Project Proposal.
2. Grant agreement(s) to be in a form as approved by the City Attorney. Each location can proceed individually to meet their requirements and obtain grant funds. The Agreement must include the following:
 - a. A description of the services provided for the public benefit.
 - b. A description of the in-kind contribution from the VCUSD.
 - c. Safeguards for accountability and Project delivery including a final report to the City once project is completed.
 - d. Pursuant to Cal.Gov. Code § 1090, funds disbursed through this project will not provide any personal or financial benefit to any person who participated in the development of this project during Cycle Two of Participatory Budgeting.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that subject to the findings and the conditions set forth in this resolution, the City Council hereby:

1. Authorizes the City Manager to establish the project and redistribute budgeted appropriations of \$90,000 to implement the Project, and authorizes the City Manager the administrative authority to execute any and all agreements, subject to review by the City Attorney, and to take any and all required actions to implement the Project, consistent with this Resolution, the Vallejo Municipal Code, the PB Rulebook and any other applicable authority and additionally authorizes him to amend the project so as to ultimately promote the goals of the Project as set forth in the "Description of voter-approved Project Proposal."
2. Directs the City Manager to report to the City Council once the project is complete.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Vallejo at a regular meeting held on November 4, 2014 by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Davis, Vice Mayor Sampayan, Councilmembers Dew-Costa, Malgapo, McConnell, Miessner, and Verder-Aliga
 NOES: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 ABSENT: None


 OSBY DAVIS, MAYOR

ATTEST:


 DAWN G. ABRAHAMSON, CITY CLERK