

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 – ____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN CARLOS
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR PRODUCTS AND/OR
SERVICES WITH URBAN VILLAGES FARMERS' MARKET ASSOCIATION TO OPERATE
THE SAN CARLOS FARMERS' MARKET.**

WHEREAS, in April 2021 City Council approved Resolution 2021-027 re-establishing the Community Events budget to include the coordination and management of the San Carlos Farmers' Market; and

WHEREAS, the City became the San Carlos Farmers' Market operator in July 2021; and

WHEREAS, since the return of the Market on Laurel Street in August 2021, staff continues to experience challenges in securing new vendors as well as getting pre-covid participating vendors to return; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals for the San Carlos Farmers' Market Operator was posted on the City's website on December 16, 2022; and

WHEREAS, four proposals were submitted by the deadline and reviewed by staff; and

WHEREAS, the top two vendors who submitted proposals were invited to interview with City staff; and

WHEREAS, staff believes Urban Villages Farmers' Market Association is the best candidate to partner with the City as the Market operator moving forward; and

WHEREAS, Urban Villages demonstrates an in-depth understanding of the existing Market operations and share the City's vision and community's expectations of maintaining a welcoming and community-oriented experience; and

WHEREAS, Urban Village has access to hundreds of vendors, offering a variety of produce, nursery items and specialty foods; and

WHEREAS, Urban Village has the means to implement the CalFresh program to provide fresh produce and foods to low income community members at the Market.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the San Carlos City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign an agreement for products and/or services with Urban Villages Farmers' Market Association to operate the San Carlos Farmers' Market.

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I, City Clerk Crystal Mui, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of San Carlos at a scheduled meeting thereof held on the 13th day of February 2023, by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCILMEMBERS:

NOES, COUNCILMEMBERS:

ABSENT, COUNCILMEMBERS:

CITY CLERK of the City of San Carlos

APPROVED:

MAYOR of the City of San Carlos