Small Business Commission
Resolution
HEARING DATE NOVEMBER 14, 2016

CITY LIGHTS BOOKSELLERS AND PUBLISHERS

LEGACY BUSINESS REGISTRY RESOLUTION NO. 030-16-LBR

Application No.: LBR-2015-16-063
Business Name: City Lights Booksellers and Publishers
Business Address: 261 Columbus Avenue
District: District 3
Applicant: Elaine Katzenberger, Executive Director
Nomination Date: May 25, 2016
Nominated By: Supervisor Aaron Peskin
Staff Contact: Richard Kurylo
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ADOPTING FINDINGS APPROVING THE LEGACY BUSINESS REGISTRY APPLICATION FOR CITY LIGHTS BOOKSELLERS AND PUBLISHERS, CURRENTLY LOCATED AT 261 COLUMBUS AVENUE.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Administrative Code Section 2A.242, the Office of Small Business maintains a registry of Legacy Businesses in San Francisco (the "Registry") to recognize that longstanding, community-serving businesses can be valuable cultural assets of the City and to be a tool for providing educational and promotional assistance to Legacy Businesses to encourage their continued viability and success; and

WHEREAS, the subject business has operated in San Francisco for 30 or more years, with no break in San Francisco operations exceeding two years; or

WHEREAS, the subject business has operated in San Francisco for more than 20 years but less than 30 years, has had no break in San Francisco operations exceeding two years, has significantly contributed to the history or identity of a particular neighborhood or community and, if not included in the Registry, faces a significant risk of displacement; and

WHEREAS, the subject business has contributed to the neighborhood's history and identity; and

WHEREAS, the subject business is committed to maintaining the physical features and traditions that define the business; and

WHEREAS, at a duly noticed public hearing held on November 14, 2016, the San Francisco Small Business Commission reviewed documents and correspondence, and heard oral testimony on the Legacy Business Registry application; therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the Small Business Commission hereby includes City Lights Booksellers and Publishers in the Legacy Business Registry as a Legacy Business under Administrative Code Section 2A.242.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Small Business Commission recommends safeguarding the below listed physical features and traditions at City Lights Booksellers and Publishers:

Physical Features or Traditions that Define the Business:
- Offering of paperback and hardback literature and poetry
- Publishing function, particularly in the genres of poetry, fiction, cultural studies, politics, and history
- Free literary events and programs
- Nonprofit cultural literacy programs and collaborations

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED by the Small Business Commission on November 14, 2016.

Regina Dick-Endrizzi
Director

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Ayes – 6: Adams, Dooley, Dwight, Tour-Sarkissian, Yee Riley, Zouzounis
Nays – 0
Abstained – 0
Absent – 1: Ortiz-Cartagena