March 9, 2020

Resolution No. 001-2020-SBC

Urging the City to Expeditiously Support Small Businesses During Covid-19

Resolution

WHEREAS, the Small Business Commission’s mandate was established by the voters in 2003; and

WHEREAS, that mandate specifically authorizes the Small Business Commission to set policies for the City regarding small businesses, consistent with any overall objectives established by the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors through the adoption of legislation, in order to promote the economic health of the small business community in San Francisco, its employees, and its customers; and

WHEREAS, that mandate specifically requires the Small Business Commission to review all legislation affecting small businesses and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, that mandate specifically requires that the Small Business Commission review rules and regulations adopted by City departments that affect small businesses and recommend modifications that would promote the health of small businesses; and

WHEREAS, there are 51,740 businesses with 100 or fewer employees in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 359,000 people employed by businesses with 100 or fewer employees; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19, also referred to as the “novel coronavirus” is expected to have an
adverse local economic impact on our small businesses and workforce that is unprecedented; and

WHEREAS, the Small Business Commission stands in solidarity with the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors as they confront this unprecedented threat, and wishes to provide support in every way we can, as we are all in this together, and

WHEREAS, an adverse local economic impact on our small businesses and a workforce disruption of a significant magnitude would pose a threat to public health and safety and cause a serious injury to the public interest; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Small Business Commission urges the Mayor’s Office, the Board of Supervisors, and City Agencies to work together and expeditiously develop and administer economic mitigation measures in support of San Francisco small businesses who are and will be impacted by COVID-19.

I hereby certify that the Small Business Commission ADOPTED the foregoing Resolution on March 9, 2020.

[Signature]

Regina Dick-Endrizzi
Director, Office of Small Business

Ayes –
Nays –
Absent –