



“Supplemental Material”

For

City of Sacramento

Item Number: 05

For the Meeting of: February 19, 2013

Title: Support of Sacramento Kings and Update

Description of Change: Please replace the Resolution in its entirety.

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council
February 19, 2013

SUPPORT OF KEEPING THE SACRAMENTO KINGS IN THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO AND THE PURSUIT OF A NEW SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY IN DOWNTOWN SACRAMENTO

BACKGROUND

- A. The Sacramento Kings are one of the most well-known employers in Sacramento, with a strong brand that provides national and international recognition for the region.
- B. The Sacramento Kings employ approximately 800 individuals in the Sacramento area and generate significant economic and fiscal benefits to the adjacent community, the City and the region.
- C. The Sacramento Kings are a major component of the region's entertainment industry and the region's only major league sports team.
- D. For over 27 years the Sacramento region has proven itself as a strong market for the National Basketball Association (NBA).
- E. The Sacramento community has demonstrated long-standing support and willingness to invest in the Kings success in Sacramento. The investment has included the issuance of \$73,725,000 of bonds to assist the team in 1997.
- F. The City and County governments have pursued initiatives in good faith to build a new arena for the team and the region. In 2012 the City, in partnership with the NBA, worked cooperatively to develop a comprehensive plan for the development of a new sports and entertainment facility in the downtown that included provisions for the economic reuse of the current site.
- G. The NBA has announced that the Sacramento Kings majority owners have submitted an application to relocate the team to Seattle, Washington and sell their interests to a new majority ownership group.

H. A separate investment group has indicated its interest in submitting a competitive offer to acquire the majority interest in the Kings and enter into a public-private partnership to finance and develop a new sports and entertainment complex in downtown Sacramento. The investment group would make a long-term commitment to keep the Kings in Sacramento.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The City of Sacramento expresses its continued support to keep the Sacramento Kings in the City of Sacramento.
- Section 2. The City of Sacramento expresses its continued commitment to enter into a public-private partnership to develop a new sports and entertainment facility for the region that meets NBA standards and represents a sound fiscal and economic development investment for the City ~~s and repres'~~ taxpayers.
- Section 3. The City of Sacramento respectfully requests that the NBA support the City's efforts to keep the Kings in Sacramento long-term and approve the sale of the Kings to an ownership group that commits to keeping the Kings in Sacramento long-term.