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KATHRYN VARGAS
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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION
CITY-COUNTY BUILDING

July 8, 2024

Council President Lavelle and Members of Council
Fifth Floor
City County Building
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Re: Food Justice Fund Resolution

Dear President and Members of Council,

The Department of Parks and Recreation will be submitting a resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of Parks and Recreation to enter into an Agreement or Agreements with New Sun Rising for grants management services for the City of Pittsburgh's Food Justice Fund for a sum not to exceed ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,650,000) through December 31, 2026. The purpose of the Food Justice Fund is to increase public investment in a just, equitable, and sustainable food system, that supports our neighborhoods, local economy, and the environment. New Sun Rising has been selected through the RFP process to serve as this intermediary, providing grants management services such as managing application data, disbursing grant funds after recommendation by the Food Justice Fund Governance Committee and approval by City Council, and collection of reporting documentation. These costs shall be chargeable to and payable from account 0222905500.53901.00.2024.

Should you have any questions regarding the resolution or agreement, please do not hesitate to contact my office. Your favorable consideration is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathryn Vargas". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Kathryn Vargas
Director

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