



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Councilmember Sam Liccardo

SUBJECT: SALE OF CITY OWNED
PROPERTY AT 500 S FIRST

DATE: November 30, 2012

APPROVED:

Sam Liccardo RH

11-30-12

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approve the recommendations in the staff report dated November 13, 2012.

BACKGROUND

The agreement before us presents us with tremendous opportunity to enable MACLA, a pillar organization in the San José arts community, establish itself permanently in SoFA. With a “room of its own,” MACLA can obtain the financial stability necessary to help it continue serving and exposing the great work of hundreds of local youth, young adults, and professional artists.

I would like to thank the staff in Office of Economic Development, Nanci Klein and Kerry Adams-Hapner along with the staff of Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americano (MACLA), Anjee Helstrup-Alvarez, for their diligent work.

I'd also like to acknowledge the Hewlett Foundation for the generous lead gift to MACLA's capital campaign and the Ford Foundation in partnership with Leveraging Investments in Creativity for their grant towards the project planning and predevelopment.

Finally, thank you to MACLA's Board of Directors:

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- Bob Brownstein
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