SALT LAKE CITY CORPORATION Resolution

JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CREATING THE FAIRPARK PUBLIC MARKET IN PARTNERSHP WITH THE STATE OF UTAH AND SALT LAKE COUNTY

WHEREAS, many areas on the west side of Salt Lake City exist as a 'food desert' that would benefit from increased access to food and entrepreneurial opportunities; and

- *WHEREAS,* Salt Lake City is committed to increasing equity throughout the city including access to food; and
- WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) of Salt Lake City created the North Temple Project Area, which includes the Utah State Fairpark. Served by the TRAX airport light rail line, the North Temple Corridor is a major entryway to Salt Lake City connecting Downtown to the Salt Lake City International Airport, making the area an opportune site for new transit-oriented development; and
- WHEREAS, the RDA of Salt Lake City is working towards attracting catalytic and infill development to the area; and
- **WHEREAS,** in 2018, the RDA of Salt Lake City funded the Utah State Fairpark Public Market Feasibility Study which returned a positive recommendation in August of 2019 as a location for placemaking; and
- **WHEREAS,** creation of the Fairpark Public Market would increase access to food, provide local entrepreneurial opportunity, better use an underutilized facility with ongoing activity, encourage development, help activate the Jordan River Trail and provide a much-needed amenity to the area; and
- **WHEREAS,** because the Fairpark showcases agriculture and food products from around the State of Utah; having a public market will provide an opportunity for an educational component on food production; and
- **WHEREAS,** the project has the support of westside residents, Technical Advisory Committee members (made up of key community leaders, neighborhood representatives, and food specialists), elected officials, the Fairpark Board and Staff, and the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

that the Salt Lake City Council and Mayor of Salt Lake City acknowledge the need to recognize the Fairpark Public Market as a priority.



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