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The Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) is a federally funded program administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Services Agency (USDA - FNS), and locally by the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA). CDFA partners with Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) throughout California to help administer the SFMNP.

Each year through the SFMNP, the Department of Aging (Department), as the AAA for the City, receives funds from the CDFA to provide vouchers to low-income seniors to purchase fresh fruit and vegetables at Authorized Certified Farmers Markets. This year, the CDFA has transitioned from a paper-based voucher system to an electronic benefit card system and will be providing a small award of \$3,846 to purchase the equipment needed for this transition. Items will include the following:

Item	Cost Per Unit	Number of Units	Amount
Clipboards	\$12	20	\$240
Pens	\$15	2	\$30
Sticky Notes	\$12	2	\$24
Electronic Devices*	\$417	6	\$2,502
Electronic Device Accessories**	\$175	6	\$1,050
			Total: \$3,846

* iPad 10th General 64 GB to issue SFMNP benefit cards


** iPad Magic Keyboard Folio, 10th Generation, protective cover, and keyboard to enter participants' information

The Department will need approval to accept the funds and execute an agreement with California Department of Food and Agriculture to allocate the electronic benefit cards to its service providers, which will then be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis to older adults who fall within the 185 percent of the federal poverty level, are 60 years of age or older, and have not already received a SFMNP electronic benefit card.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council:

1. AUTHORIZE the Department of Aging to accept \$3,846 from the California Department of Food and Agriculture for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program; and
2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager of the Department of Aging, or designee, to execute the Grant Agreement (22-1706-006 SF) with the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

PRESENTED BY:


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SECONDED BY:




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