



SALT LAKE CITY TRANSMITTAL

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Salt Lake City Redevelopment Agency Chair

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Subject:
Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund (EDLF) – Botanika SLC, LLC

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Presenters/Staff Table
Roberta Reichgelt and Will Wright

Document Type *
Ordinance

Budget Impact *
☒ Yes
☐ No

Budget Impact:
\$100,000 from the Economic Development Loan Fund

Recommendation: *
The EDLF Loan Committee recommends approval of \$100,000 loan to Botanika SLC, LLC

Background/Discussion (?)

Background/Overview Information: On August 1, 2024, a \$100,000 loan request from Botanika SLC, LLC, was presented to the EDLF Loan Committee for review and discussion. Botanika SLC, LLC, will be a bodega and non-alcohol bottle seller in the Central Business District offering healthy foods and beverage options in a small scale grocer.

Basic Loan request

Business Name: Botanika SLC, LLC

Address: 353 West 200 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84101

Loan Amount Requested: \$100,000

Loan Term: 7 years

Interest Rate: 9.50%

Use of Funds: Renovation, Working Capital, Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures

Loan Type: Start-up

Reasoning behind staff recommendation

Applicants of The Economic Development Loan Fund (EDLF) go through a thorough application process consisting of a pre-screening, underwriting analysis, and economic impact statement. Only after the loan applicant goes through these processes, is the loan recommended to be reviewed by the Loan Committee members. Upon thorough review by the Loan Committee members, a recommendation is made before the loan is transmitted to the Mayor for Council to receive the recommendation for final approval. Because the Loan Committee review process must adhere to the Open Meetings Act, Department of Economic Development staff worked closely with the City Attorney's Office to ensure that applicants' information is protected while following public process.

In addition, the EDLF loans must meet the following goals of the Economic Development Loan Fund as stated in the [EDLF program guidelines](#). This loan meets the EDLF program guidelines in the following areas.

- Increases employment opportunities,
- Stimulate business development and expansion,
- Enhances neighborhood vitality,
- Promotes economic development,
- Boost commercial enterprise.

This loan will assist in the creation of 1 new job in the next year and retention of 1 current job.

This loan was recommended by the EDLF Committee to the City Council for approval.

EDLF Loan Balances

1. As reported from The Finance Department in August 7, 2024, the EDLF available fund balance is approximately \$8,300,000.
2. As of July 30, 2024, the amount of outstanding loans total is: \$3,205,765.

EDLF Loan Committee

There is a total of nine (9) EDLF Committee members.

City Employees:

1. Community and Neighborhoods Finance
2. Mayor's Office
3. Employee at large
4. Housing Stability
5. Economic Development

Community Volunteers:

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Will the City Council need to hold a public hearing for this item? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Public Process

An OPMA compliant loan committee meeting was held to review the loan application. The loan committee recommended the loan for Council

Chief Administrator Officer's Comments

LOAN TERM SHEET

Applicant: Botanika SLC, LLC

Address: 353 West 200 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84101

Proposed Loan Terms

Loan Amount: \$100,000

Loan Terms: 7 Years

Interest Rate Calculation Prime Interest Rate: 8.5% (at the time of application on February 20, 2024)

Plus EDLF Charge: 4%

Less Discount: 1% for each

- Priority Area (CDBG low/moderate income census tract)
- SEDI socially and economically disadvantaged individual
- Sustainability (e2 Business Program)

Final Interest Rate: 9.5%

Use of Funds: Renovation, Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures, Working Capital

Business Type: Start-up

Collateral: Vehicle, Equipment, Inventory

Personal Guarantees: Katherine Riser

Conditions for Closing

- Enrollment in SLC Green's e2 Business Program
- Obtain all City approvals, execute all loan documents as deemed necessary by City legal counsel and DED staff, such other terms as recommended by City legal counsel and DED staff.

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SALT LAKE CITY ORDINANCE

No. _____ of 2024

(Ordinance approving a \$100,000 loan for Botanika SLC, LLC, 353 West 200 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101 from the Economic Development Loan Fund)

WHEREAS, Salt Lake City Corporation's ("City") Economic Development Loan Fund ("EDLF") is a program to stimulate local business development, encourage private investment, enhance neighborhood vitality, and boost commercial enterprise in Salt Lake City.

WHEREAS, the EDLF is administered by the Department of Economic Development ("DED") and loan applications are first prescreened by DED staff, and then reviewed by the EDLF Loan Committee.

WHEREAS, the EDLF Loan Committee and DED staff recommend the approval of the attached loan term sheet for a \$100,000 loan to Botanika SLC, LLC, a local business located at 353 West 200 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, that:

SECTION 1. Loan Approval. The City Council approves the loan outlined in the Term Sheet attached hereto, subject to revisions that do not materially affect the rights and obligations of the City hereunder. The City Council authorizes the Mayor to negotiate and execute the loan agreement and any other relevant documents consistent with the Term Sheet, and incorporating such other terms and agreements as recommended by the City Attorney's office.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on the date of its first publication.

Passed by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Victoria Petro, Council Chair

ATTEST AND COUNTERSIGN:

CITY RECORDER

Transmitted to Mayor on _____.

Mayor's Action: _____ Approved. _____ Vetoed.

MAYOR

CITY RECORDER
(SEAL)

Bill No. _____ of 2024.

Published: _____.

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Salt Lake City Attorney's Office

Date: August 16, 2024

Sara Montoya

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Who Will Be at The Table: Roberta Reichgelt and Will Wright

Document Type: Resolution

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Public Hearing Needed: No.

Public Process: An OPMA compliant loan committee meeting was held to review the loan application. The loan committee recommended the loan for Council approval. Next steps are review and approval by Council.

Are Any of The Attachments Protected by Utah Code 63g-2-305: No

List Attachments:

1. EDLF Terms Sheet for Botanika SLC, LLC
2. Ordinance

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