



AGENDA REPORT

Mayor's Office

DATE:	April 28, 2026
TO:	Members of the City Council
FROM:	Mayor Martinez
Subject:	Proclamation recognizing May 3-9, 2026 as National Small Business Week
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	N/A
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	National Small Business Week, established in 1963 by the U.S. Small Business Administration, is recognized annually to highlight the critical role small businesses and entrepreneurs play in driving economic growth, innovation, and community vitality. In the City of Richmond, small businesses are central to the local economy, providing jobs, essential services, and contributing to the character and resilience of neighborhoods across the city.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	PROCLAMATION recognizing May 3–9, 2026, as National Small Business Week in the City of Richmond and encouraging all residents to support local small businesses – Mayor Eduardo Martinez (510-620-6503).

DISCUSSION: Small businesses are the backbone of Richmond’s local economy, contributing to job creation, commercial activity, and community character. National

Small Business Week provides an opportunity to highlight their contributions and reaffirm the City's commitment to supporting their growth and success.

The City will support activities from May 4 through May 8, 2026 to recognize and uplift local businesses.

Residents are encouraged to support small businesses and be on the lookout for events and activities happening throughout the week.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 – National Small Business Week Proclamation