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Completed by: Alisa Miller **Date** November 16, 2012
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[Separating Sharp Park Golf Course Plan from the Natural Area Plan]

Resolution to remove all management proposals and activities derived from the Sharp Park Conceptual Restoration Alternatives Report's Alternative A18 from the Environmental Impact Report for the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department's Significant Natural Resource Areas Management Plan, and to consider proposals and alternatives for the future of Sharp Park Golf Course through a separate and complete California Environmental Quality Act review process.

WHEREAS, The two-fold mission of the Recreation and Park Department's Natural Areas Program (NAP) is to "preserve, restore, and enhance remnant Natural Areas, and to develop and support community-based site stewardship of these areas"; and

WHEREAS, The Significant Natural Resource Areas Management Plan (SNRAMP) is intended to guide management activities and site improvements in designated Significant Natural Resource Areas (Natural Areas) in San Francisco and San Mateo Counties by the Recreation and Park Department for the next 20 years; and

WHEREAS, The objectives of the SNRAMP are to inventory biological resources in Natural Areas, identify issues and impacts adversely affecting ecosystem functions and biological diversity, prioritize management actions to promote functioning of native ecosystems, provide guidelines for educational and stewardship programs and for "passive recreational uses compatible with the City's natural resources"; and

WHEREAS, Sharp Park is located in San Mateo County, miles from the San Francisco County line and the nearest San Francisco-based Natural Area, and has significantly different ecological and administrative issues than other Natural Areas; and

WHEREAS, Sharp Park contains breeding and feeding grounds for the Endangered San Francisco garter snake and the Threatened California red-legged frog, which are not found in any of the City's other Natural Areas; and

WHEREAS, The planning process for the SNRAMP began in 1995, and has involved the input of multiple stakeholders, including a Citizens Task Force and Green Ribbon Panel convened for the NAP in 2002, a 2003 NAP Citizens Advisory Committee, an ad hoc working group in 2004, a public comment period on the 2005 public draft of the SNRAMP and three independent scientific peer-reviews of the 2005 public draft of the SNRAMP; and

WHEREAS, The SNRAMP Final Draft Plan was approved for environmental review in 2006, and has completed several steps in the environmental review process since, including the publication of a Notice of Preparation in April 2009; the completion and distribution of an Initial Study to Responsible Agencies in April 2009; and the conclusion of public scoping and comment periods in the summer of 2009; and

WHEREAS, In November 2009, Alternative A18 for Sharp Park Golf Course—a project wholly separate from the SNRAMP—was proposed in the Sharp Park Conceptual Restoration Alternatives Report. Alternative A18 calls for extensive dredging of Sharp Park's wetlands, raising the elevation of four golf links, and redesigning three other golf links in an attempt to reduce chronic flooding and drainage issues at the golf course; and

WHEREAS, The golf course project in Alternative A18 has not been subjected to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) procedural and substantive requirements, such as a discussion of the golf course project in a Notice of Preparation and Initial Study; review by or consultation with Responsible Agencies about the golf course project; and formal public comment and review of draft and final golf course project designs; and

WHEREAS, By the time the Sharp Park Conceptual Restoration Alternatives Report was released, the SNRAMP had already undergone more than three years of public scrutiny and programmatic environmental review; and

WHEREAS, Alternative A18 was nonetheless inserted into the long-standing SNRAMP CEQA review process as a new, additional SNRAMP project before the SNRAMP DEIR was released in August 2011; and

WHEREAS, All feasible alternative golf course design and restoration configurations for Sharp Park Golf Course were excluded from consideration in the DEIR with the exception of Alternative A18; and

WHEREAS, Sharp Park Golf Course is further characterized as a historic resource for purposes of CEQA in the DEIR, even though on September 21, 2011, San Francisco's Historic Advisory Commission voted that they did not concur with the DEIR's conclusion that Sharp Park Golf Course is an historic resource, and subsequently sent a letter on September 26, 2011 to the Recreation and Park Department explaining that they could not reach consensus on the historic integrity of Sharp Park Golf Course; and

WHEREAS, The management of this property is currently in litigation due to alleged violations of the federal Endangered Species Act; and

WHEREAS, Alternative A18 should be subject to a separate and complete environmental evaluation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco directs that all Sharp Park Golf Course projects and management proposals derived from Alternative A18 be excised from the SNRAMP EIR and considered in a separate, complete and public CEQA review process.

Member, Board of Supervisors
District 5

City and County of San Francisco

Christina Olague

June 26, 2012

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board
Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

Attached please find an original and four copies of proposed resolution to remove all management proposals and activities derived from the Sharp Park Conceptual Restoration Alternatives Report's Alternative A18 from the Environmental Impact Report for the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department's Significant Natural Resource Areas Management Plan, and to consider proposals and alternatives for the future of Sharp Park Golf Course through a separate and complete California Environmental Quality Act review process..

The following is a list of accompanying documents:

- Introduction Form
- Resolution

The following person may be contacted regarding this matter:

Dominica Henderson, (415) 554-6783.

Signed,

Christina Olague

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MEMORANDUM

TO: John Rahaim, Director, Planning Department
Phil Ginsburg, General Manager, Recreation and Park Department

FROM: Alisa Miller, Clerk, Land Use and Economic Development Committee
Board of Supervisors

DATE: July 10, 2012

SUBJECT: LEGISLATION INTRODUCED

The Board of Supervisors' Land Use and Economic Development Committee has received the following proposed legislation, introduced by Supervisor Olague on June 26, 2012, which is being forwarded to your department for review.

File No. 120619

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If you have any additional reports or comments to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

c: Scott Sanchez, Zoning Administrator, Planning Department
Bill Wycko, Chief of Environmental Planning, Planning Department
AnMarie Rodgers, Planning Department
Monica Pereira, Planning Department
Joy Navarrete, Planning Department

Print Form

Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor

Time stamp
or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

☒ 1. For reference to Committee: _____

An ordinance, resolution, motion, or charter amendment.

☐ 2. Request for next printed agenda without reference to Committee.

☐ 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee: _____

☐ 4. Request for letter beginning "Supervisor _____ inquires"

☐ 5. City Attorney request.

☐ 6. Call File No. _____ from Committee.

☐ 7. Budget Analyst request (attach written motion).

☐ 8. Substitute Legislation File No. _____

☐ 9. Request for Closed Session (attach written motion).

☐ 10. Board to Sit as A Committee of the Whole.

☐ 11. Question(s) submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on _____

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

☐ Small Business Commission ☐ Youth Commission ☐ Ethics Commission

☐ Planning Commission ☐ Building Inspection Commission

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Sponsor(s):

Olague

Subject:

Separating Sharp Park Golf Course Plan from the Natural Area Plan

The text is listed below or attached:

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: Christina Olague

For Clerk's Use Only:

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