

1 [Reversing the Exemption Determination issued for 1111 California Street (Nob Hill Masonic
2 Center)]

3 **Motion reversing the determination by the Planning Department that the 1111 California**
4 **Street (Nob Hill Masonic Center) project is exempt from environmental review.**

5
6 WHEREAS, On or about January 18, 2010, the Planning Department determined that a
7 proposal to change the existing non-conforming entertainment to "Other Entertainment," add
8 permanent food and beverage service, and make interior alterations to the auditorium and
9 other interior spaces to the property located at 1111 California Street (the "Project") was
10 exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"),
11 the CEQA Guidelines and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31 as a Class 32
12 categorical exemption, an "in-fill" development project (the "exemption determination"). By
13 letters to the Clerk of the Board, David Millstein, on behalf of Lee Saylor; and Amy Harmer,
14 Richard Hanson, William Terrell, Adria Price, Aldo Caccamo, David Chow, Donna Muse, and
15 Elizabeth Pomada (collectively, "Appellants"), received by the Clerk's Office on or around April
16 5, 2010, appealed the exemption determination; and

17 WHEREAS, On May 4, 2010, this Board held a duly noticed public hearing to consider
18 the appeal of the exemption determination filed by Appellants, and following the public hearing
19 reversed the exemption determination; and

20 WHEREAS, In reviewing the appeal of the exemption determination, this Board
21 reviewed and considered the exemption determination, the appeal letters, the responses to
22 concerns document that the Planning Department prepared, the other written records before
23 the Board of Supervisors and all of the public testimony made in support of and opposed to
24 the exemption determination appeal. Following the conclusion of the public hearing, the
25 Board of Supervisors reversed the exemption determination for the Project based on the

1 written record before the Board of Supervisors as well as all of the testimony at the public
2 hearing in support of and opposed to the appeal. The written record and oral testimony in
3 support of and opposed to the appeal and deliberation of the oral and written testimony at the
4 public hearing before the Board of Supervisors by all parties and the public in support of and
5 opposed to the appeal of the exemption determination is in the Clerk of the Board of
6 Supervisors File No. 100447 and in the Planning Department files, which are available for
7 public review by appointment at the Planning Department offices at 1650 Mission Street, and
8 are incorporated in this motion as though set forth in its entirety; now therefore be it

9 MOVED, That this Board of Supervisors reverses the determination by the Planning
10 Department that the Project is exempt from environmental review.

11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25