

1 [Affirming Certification of Parkmerced Project Final Environmental Impact Report]

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3 **Motion affirming the certification by the Planning Commission of the Final**
4 **Environmental Impact Report for the Parkmerced Project.**

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6 WHEREAS, The proposed Project is a long-term (approximately 20-30 years) mixed-
7 use development program to comprehensively re-plan and re-design the approximately 116-
8 acre Project Site (152-acres including streets). The Project would increase the residential
9 density, provide new commercial and retail services, provide new transit facilities, and
10 improve existing utilities within the Project Site. Of the existing 3,221 residential units that
11 exist on the Site, approximately 1,683 units located within the 11 existing towers would remain
12 and approximately 1,538 existing apartments would be demolished and replaced in phases
13 over the approximately 20 to 30-year development period. An additional 5,679 net new units
14 would also be added to the Site for a project total of 8,900 units. New buildings would range in
15 height from 35 feet to 145 feet. Neighborhood-serving retail and office space would also be
16 constructed as part of the proposed Project. A new preschool/elementary school and daycare
17 facility site, fitness center, and new open space uses including athletic fields, walking and
18 biking paths, a new organic farm, and community gardens would also be provided on the
19 Project Site. Infrastructure improvements would include the installation of a bioswale system
20 to process stormwater on-site and renewable energy sources, such as wind turbines and
21 photovoltaic cells. Proposed transportation improvements include the realignment of the MUNI
22 light rail M line through the Project site, traffic improvements to intersections adjacent to the
23 Project Site, provision of a free shuttle service to Daly City BART and other items; and
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1 WHEREAS, the Planning Department determined that an environmental impact report
2 was required for the Project and provided public notice by publication in a newspaper of
3 general circulation on May 20, 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, On May 12, 2010, the Department published the Draft Environmental
5 Impact Report ("DEIR") for the Project (Planning Department File No. 2008.0021E); and

6 WHEREAS, The Planning Department held a duly advertised public hearing on the
7 DEIR, on June 17, 2010, at which time opportunity for public comment was provided on the
8 DEIR, and written comments were received through July 12, 2010; and

9 WHEREAS, The Department prepared responses to comments received at the public
10 hearing on the DEIR and submitted in writing to the Department, prepared revisions to the text
11 of the DEIR and published a Summary of Comments and Responses on October 28, 2010;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, A Final Environmental Impact Report ("FEIR") for the Project was
14 prepared by the Department, consisting of the DEIR, any consultations and comments
15 received during the review process, any additional information that became available and the
16 Summary of Comments and Responses, all as required by law; and

17 WHEREAS, On February 10, 2011, the Planning Commission reviewed and
18 considered the FEIR and, by Motion No18629 found that the contents of said report and the
19 procedures through which the FEIR was prepared, publicized and reviewed complied with the
20 provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the State CEQA Guidelines
21 and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code; and

22 WHEREAS, By Motion No. 18629 the Commission found the FEIR to be adequate,
23 accurate and objective, reflected the independent judgment and analysis of the Department
24 and the Commission and that the Summary of Comments and Responses contained no
25 significant revisions to the DEIR, adopted findings relating to significant impacts associated

1 with the Project and certified the completion of the FEIR in compliance with CEQA and the
2 State CEQA Guidelines; and

3 WHEREAS, On February 10, 2010, by Motion No. 18629, the Commission
4 adopted CEQA Approval Findings, including a statement of overriding considerations and a
5 Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and approved the Project; and

6 WHEREAS, By letter to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors dated March 1, 2011,
7 Julian P. Lagos, on behalf of the Coalition to Save Parkmerced, filed an appeal of the FEIR to
8 the Board of Supervisors, which the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors received on or around
9 March 1, 2011; and

10 WHEREAS, By letters to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors dated March 2, 2011,
11 Healani Ting, on behalf of the Parkmerced Action Coalition, Bernard Choden and Jennifer
12 Clary, on behalf of San Francisco Tomorrow, and Maria Elena Guerrero Engber filed appeals
13 of the FEIR to the Board of Supervisors, which the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors received
14 on or around March 1, 2011; and

15 WHEREAS, On March 29, 2011, this Board held a duly noticed public hearing to
16 consider the appeal of the FEIR certification filed by Appellant; and

17 WHEREAS, This Board has reviewed and considered the FEIR, the appeal letter, the
18 responses to concerns document that the Planning Department prepared, the other written
19 records before the Board of Supervisors, and heard testimony and received public comment
20 regarding the adequacy of the FEIR; and

21 WHEREAS, the FEIR files and all correspondence and other documents have been
22 made available for review by this Board and the public. These files are available for public
23 review by appointment at the Planning Department offices at 1650 Mission Street, and are
24 part of the record before this Board by reference in this motion; now, therefore, be it
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1 MOVED, That this Board of Supervisors hereby affirms the decision of the Planning
2 Commission in its Motion No. 18629 to certify the FEIR and finds the FEIR to be complete,
3 adequate and objective and reflecting the independent judgment of the City and in compliance
4 with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

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Motion affirming the certification by the Planning Commission of the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Parkmerced Project.

March 29, 2011 Board of Supervisors - CONTINUED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Mirkarimi and Wiener

May 24, 2011 Board of Supervisors - APPROVED

Ayes: 6 - Chiu, Chu, Cohen, Elsbernd, Farrell and Wiener

Noes: 5 - Avalos, Campos, Kim, Mar and Mirkarimi

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was APPROVED on 5/24/2011 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angela Calvillo", written over a horizontal line.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board