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Prepared by: Monique Crayton

Date: December 12, 2025

Prepared by: Monique Crayton

Date: November 25, 2025

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

FILE NO. 251089

RESOLUTION NO.

[Behested Payment Waiver - India Basin Waterfront Park]

**Resolution authorizing the Mayor, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, Chief of Infrastructure, Assistant Chief of Infrastructure, Chief of Housing and Economic Development, Director of Public Affairs, and Policy Advisor, and the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department (RPD), the Director and staff of RPD's Partnership Division, RPD's Director of Capital and Planning, RPD's India Basin Project Manager, and RPD's India Basin Equitable Development Plan Manager to solicit donations for the India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative from nonprofits, private organizations, grantmakers, and foundations for six months, effective upon approval of this Resolution, notwithstanding the Behested Payment Ordinance.**

WHEREAS, The Bayview-Hunters Point community is a historically underserved community that has experience with a concentration of polluting industries and has lacked the civic investment and inspiring greenspaces found elsewhere in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Community members have long advocated for improvements to and expansion of the existing India Basin Shoreline Park, located at 950 Galvez Avenue (at Hunters Point Boulevard and Hawes Street) as a way to correct previous disinvestment and ensure residents have access to the physical health, mental health, and community benefits that come from world class parks; and

WHEREAS, This advocacy moved closer to reality when the Recreation and Park Department (RPD) acquired the 900 Innes property adjacent to the south side of the Park in 2014, with the goal of cleaning the formerly industrial site and connecting it to the existing Park and waterfront spaces; and

1           WHEREAS, On October 19, 2024, Initiative Partners together with the community,  
2           celebrated the opening of the first part of the park to the public; and

3           WHEREAS, On August 19, 2025 Mayor Daniel Lurie broke ground on construction for  
4           the final part of the park, which is expected to be complete in late 2027 or early 2028; and

5           WHEREAS, The India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative (the Initiative) is a multi-pronged  
6           public-private partnership in which RPD is working in close partnership with the Bayview-  
7           Hunters Point community, the A. Philip Randolph Institute, the San Francisco Foundation, and  
8           Trust for Public Land (collectively, the Partners) to build the park in one of the City's most  
9           historically underserved neighborhoods; and

10          WHEREAS, In addition to building IBWP, the Initiative will also enable RPD and the  
11          Partners to ensure the benefits of the project accrue to the existing neighborhood through  
12          projects and programs undertaken by Initiative Partners and other community-serving  
13          nonprofits consistent with the India Basin Equitable Development Plan (EDP); and

14          WHEREAS, On May 14, 2019, The Board of Supervisors authorized RPD to accept  
15          and expend a grant for the Initiative in the amount of \$25,000,000 from the John Pritzker  
16          Family Fund, under Resolution No. 242-19; and

17          WHEREAS, RPD has secured public grants to date totaling approximately  
18          \$125,000,000 including \$29,000,000 from the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond; and

19          WHEREAS, Bids for the final phase of construction were higher than expected and so,  
20          in order to deliver the full scope of the project, Initiative partners raised the full project budget  
21          to \$225 million and are working to secure additional public and private funds for construction  
22          and EDP implementation; and

23          WHEREAS On December 5, 2023, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved  
24          Resolution Nos. 577-23, 578-23, 579-23 and 580-23 authorizing RPD to Accept and Expend  
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1 approximately \$55 million in private funding from the non-profit partners on the project,  
2 respectively the A. Philip Randolph Institute, Trust for Public Land and the San Francisco  
3 Foundation; and

4 WHEREAS, To date the partners have secured approximately \$50 million of the \$55  
5 million private fundraising goal and are continuing to work together to fundraise for the  
6 remaining sum of approximately \$10 million; and

7 WHEREAS, RPD and the Office of the Mayor partner with numerous nonprofit  
8 organizations, private entities, grantmakers and foundations, often through contracts or  
9 permits; and

10 WHEREAS, On December 15, 2023 Mayor London Breed signed Resolution No. 573-  
11 23 and on authorizing a waiver of the City's Behested Payment Ordinance (Campaign and  
12 Governmental Conduct Code, Section 3.600 et seq.) for the Recreation and Park  
13 Commission, the Mayor and officers and employees of the Office of the Mayor and officers  
14 and employees of the Recreation and Park Department to the extent it prohibits solicitations of  
15 financial support for the Initiative from persons or entities who would qualify as interested  
16 parties under the Behested Payments Ordinance; and

17 WHEREAS, On April 15, 2025 Mayor Daniel Lurie signed Resolution No. 134-25 and  
18 on authorizing a second waiver of the City's Behested Payment Ordinance (Campaign and  
19 Governmental Conduct Code, Section 3.600 et seq.) for the Recreation and Park  
20 Commission, the Mayor and officers and employees of the Office of the Mayor and officers  
21 and employees of the Recreation and Park Department to the extent it prohibits solicitations of  
22 financial support for the Initiative from persons or entities who would qualify as interested  
23 parties under the Behested Payments Ordinance; and

1 WHEREAS, Resolution No. 134-25 expires in October 2025 under of the San  
2 Francisco Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, Section 3.620(f); and

3 WHEREAS, The Mayor, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, Chief of Infrastructure, Assistant  
4 Chief of Infrastructure, Chief of Housing and Economic Development, Director of Public  
5 Affairs, and Policy Advisor, and the General Manager of RPD, the Director and staff of RPD's  
6 Partnership Division, RPD's Director of Capital and Planning, RPD's India Basin Project  
7 Manager, and RPD's India Basin Equitable Development Plan Manager seek a new waiver of  
8 the City's Behested Payment Ordinance for six months from the effective date of this  
9 Resolution so that they may solicit donations from private organizations and philanthropists to  
10 support the India Basin Basin Waterfront Park Initiative including EDP activities; and

11 WHEREAS, The parties receiving this waiver have agreed to report to the Board of  
12 Supervisors donations to the City and any third party that were solicited under this waiver;  
13 such reports will identify the donor, the amount of the donation, the party that received the  
14 donation, and the interested relationship the donor has with the department that solicited the  
15 donation; the departments will submit the reports to the Board within 60 days of the expiration  
16 of the six-month period authorized by this waiver; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That under Section 3.620(f) of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct  
18 Code, the Board of Supervisors hereby waives application of the Behested Payment  
19 Ordinance for six months from the effective date of this Resolution to fundraising from  
20 nonprofits, private organizations, grantmakers and foundations to support the Initiative; and,  
21 be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That granting this waiver under Section 3.620(f) serves the  
23 public interest by bringing private funding into an underserved neighborhood to support an  
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1 Initiative long advocated for by the community and executed in partnership with neighborhood  
2 residents; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That granting this waiver under Section 3.620(f) does not  
4 create an appearance of impropriety.

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6 Recommended:

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8 \_\_\_\_\_/s/ \_\_\_\_\_

9 Phil Ginsburg,  
10 General Manager, Recreation and Park Department

[Behested Payment Waiver - India Basin Waterfront Park]

**Resolution to authorize the Mayor, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, Chief of Infrastructure, Assistant Chief of Infrastructure, Chief of Housing and Economic Development, Director of Public Affairs, and Policy Advisor, and the General Manager of RPD, the Director and staff of RPD's Partnership Division, RPD's Director of Capital and Planning, RPD's India Basin Project Manager, and RPD's India Basin Equitable Development Plan Manager to solicit donations for the India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative from nonprofits, private organizations, grantmakers, and foundations for six months from the effective date of this Resolution, notwithstanding the Behested Payment Ordinance.**

WHEREAS, The Bayview-Hunters Point community is a historically underserved community that has experience with a concentration of polluting industries and has lacked the civic investment and inspiring greenspaces found elsewhere in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, Community members have long advocated for improvements to and expansion of the existing India Basin Shoreline Park, located at 950 Galvez Avenue (at Hunters Point Boulevard and Hawes Street) as a way to correct previous disinvestment and ensure residents have access to the physical health, mental health, and community benefits that come from world class parks; and

WHEREAS, This advocacy moved closer to reality when the Recreation and Park Department (RPD) acquired the 900 Innes property adjacent to the south side of the Park in 2014, with the goal of cleaning the formerly industrial site and connecting it to the existing Park and waterfront spaces; and

1 WHEREAS, A concept design was approved by the Recreation and Park Commission  
2 on August 16, 2018, under Resolution No. 1808-007, for a project to combine the existing  
3 India Basin Shoreline Park and 900 Innes property into one 10-acre India Basin Waterfront  
4 Park (IBWP); and

5 WHEREAS, The India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative (the Initiative) is a multi-pronged  
6 \$200 million public-private partnership in which RPD is working in close partnership with the  
7 Bayview-Hunters Point community, the Trust for Public Land, the San Francisco Parks  
8 Alliance, and the A. Philip Randolph Institute (collectively, the Partners) to build IBWP in one  
9 of the City's most historically underserved neighborhoods; and

10 WHEREAS, In addition to building IBWP, the Initiative will also enable RPD and the  
11 Partners to ensure the benefits of the project accrue to the existing neighborhood through  
12 projects and programs undertaken by Initiative Partners and other community-serving  
13 nonprofits consistent with the India Basin Equitable Development Plan (EDP); and

14 WHEREAS, On May 14, 2019, The Board of Supervisors authorized RPD to accept  
15 and expend a grant for the Initiative in the amount of \$25,000,000 from the John Pritzker  
16 Family Fund, under Resolution No. 242-19; and

17 WHEREAS, RPD has secured public grants to date totaling approximately  
18 \$125,000,000 including \$29,000,000 from the 2020 Health and Recovery Bond; and

19 WHEREAS, Additional funding is required to support the \$200,000,000 Initiative,  
20 including at least \$15,000,000 that is needed for EDP implementation; and

21 WHEREAS, The Partners have agreed to privately fundraise approximately  
22 \$55,000,000 in order to compete construction and implement the EDP; and

23 WHEREAS, On December 5, 2023 the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved  
24 Resolution Nos. 577-23, 578-23, 579-23 and 580-23 authorizing RPD to Accept and Expend  
25 approximately \$55 million in private funding from the non-profit partners on the project,



1 respectively the San Francisco Foundation, Trust for Public Land, A. Philip Randolph Institute  
2 and San Francisco Parks Alliance; and

3 WHEREAS, The partners are continuing to work together to fundraise for the Initiative;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, RPD and the Office of the Mayor partner with numerous nonprofit  
6 organizations, private entities, grantmakers and foundations, often through contracts or  
7 permits; and

8 WHEREAS, On December 5, 2023 the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved  
9 Resolution No. 573-23 authorizing a waiver of the City's Behested Payment Ordinance  
10 (Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, Section 3.600 et seq.) for the Recreation and  
11 Park Commission, the Mayor and officers and employees of the Office of the Mayor and  
12 officers and employees of the Recreation and Park Department to the extent it prohibits  
13 solicitations of financial support for the Initiative from persons or entities who would qualify as  
14 interested parties under the Behested Payments Ordinance; and

15 WHEREAS, Resolution No. 573-23 expired in June 2024 under of the San Francisco  
16 Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code Section 3.620(f); and

17 WHEREAS, The Mayor, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, Chief of Infrastructure, Assistant  
18 Chief of Infrastructure, Chief of Housing and Economic Development, Director of Public  
19 Affairs, and Policy Advisor, and the General Manager of RPD, the Director and staff of RPD's  
20 Partnership Division, RPD's Director of Capital and Planning, RPD's India Basin Project  
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24 support the India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative including EDP activities; and  
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1 WHEREAS, The parties receiving this waiver have agreed to report to the Board of  
2 Supervisors donations to the City that were solicited under this waiver; such reports will  
3 identify the donor, the amount of the donation, and the interested relationship the donor has  
4 with the department that solicited the donation; the department or office will submit the reports  
5 to the Board within 60 days of the expiration of the 6-month period authorized by this waiver;  
6 now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That under Section 3.620(f) of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct  
8 Code, the Board of Supervisors hereby waives application of the Behested Payment  
9 Ordinance as to the Mayor, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, Chief of Infrastructure, Assistant Chief  
10 of Infrastructure, Chief of Housing and Economic Development, Director of Public Affairs, and  
11 Policy Advisor, and the General Manager of RPD, the Director and staff of RPD's Partnership  
12 Division, RPD's Director of Capital and Planning, RPD's India Basin Project Manager, and  
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Recommended:

/s/

Phil Ginsburg,

General Manager, Recreation and Park Department



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Tails**  
**Resolution**

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

**File Number:** 250129

**Date Passed:** April 08, 2025

Resolution to authorize the Mayor, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, Chief of Infrastructure, Assistant Chief of Infrastructure, Chief of Housing and Economic Development, Director of Public Affairs, and Policy Advisor, and the General Manager of RPD, the Director and staff of RPD's Partnership Division, RPD's Director of Capital and Planning, RPD's India Basin Project Manager, and RPD's India Basin Equitable Development Plan Manager to solicit donations for the India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative from nonprofits, private organizations, grantmakers, and foundations for six months from the effective date of this Resolution, notwithstanding the Behested Payment Ordinance.

March 20, 2025 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

March 20, 2025 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

April 08, 2025 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sherrill and Walton

Excused: 1 - Sauter

File No. 250129

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/8/2025 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

f Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

Daniel Lurie  
Mayor

4.15.25

Date Approved

1 [Behested Payment Waiver - India Basin Waterfront Park]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Mayor, officers and employees of the Office of the Mayor,**  
4 **and officers and employees of the Recreation and Park Department to solicit donations**  
5 **for the India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative from nonprofits, private organizations,**  
6 **grantmakers, and foundations for six months from the effective date of this Resolution,**  
7 **notwithstanding the Behested Payment Ordinance.**  
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10 community that has experience with a concentration of polluting industries and has lacked the  
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23 the Mayor seek a waiver of the City's Behested Payment Ordinance (Campaign and  
24 Governmental Conduct Code, Section 3.600 et seq.) to the extent it prohibits solicitations of  
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financial support for the Initiative from persons or entities who would qualify as interested parties under the Behested Payments Ordinance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That under Section 3.620(f) of the Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, the Board of Supervisors hereby waives application of the Behested Payment Ordinance for six months from the effective date of this Resolution to fundraising from nonprofits, private organizations, grantmakers and foundations to support the Initiative; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That granting this waiver under Section 3.620(f) serves the public interest by bringing private funding into an underserved neighborhood to support an Initiative long advocated for by the community and executed in partnership with neighborhood residents; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That granting this waiver under Section 3.620(f) does not create an appearance of impropriety.

Recommended:

/s/

Phil Ginsburg,  
General Manager, Recreation and Park Department

Approved:

/s/

Mayor

/s/

## Controller

Mayor Breed; Supervisor Walton  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**



**City and County of San Francisco**  
**Tails**  
**Resolution**

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

**File Number:** 231253

**Date Passed:** December 05, 2023

Resolution authorizing the Mayor, officers and employees of the Office of the Mayor, and officers and employees of the Recreation and Park Department to solicit donations for the India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative from nonprofits, private organizations, grantmakers, and foundations for six months from the effective date of this Resolution, notwithstanding the Behested Payment Ordinance.

November 29, 2023 Budget and Finance Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE


November 29, 2023 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

December 05, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

File No. 231253

I hereby certify that the foregoing  
Resolution was ADOPTED on 12/5/2023 by  
the Board of Supervisors of the City and  
County of San Francisco.

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

  
London N. Breed  
Mayor

12/15/23

Date Approved



Daniel Lurie, Mayor



Kat Anderson, Commission President  
Philip A. Ginsburg, General Manager

**TO:** Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Philip A. Ginsburg, General Manager  
Recreation and Park Department

**DATE:** October 13, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Behested Payment Waiver Renewal

**GRANT TITLE:** India Basin Waterfront Park Behested Payment Waiver  
Renewal

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Dear Clerk Calvillo,

The Recreation and Park Department is requesting a renewal of the Behested Payments Waivers originally granted to the Department by the Board of Supervisors on December 5, 2023 via Resolutions No. 573-23 and extended on April 15, 2025 via Resolution No.134-25.

Attached to this memo please find a copy of the new resolution as well as the Resolutions for the previous waivers.

We would like legislation introduced as soon as possible.

Please send the adopted resolution to me via the following contact information:

Name: Lisa Bransten Phone: 831-2704

Email Address: [lisa.bransten@sfgov.org](mailto:lisa.bransten@sfgov.org)

Certified copy required: Yes ☐ No ☒

(Note: certified copies have the seal of the City/County affixed and are occasionally required by funding agencies. In most cases ordinary copies without the seal are sufficient.)



For previous waiver

**1) Who are the specific interested parties that were solicited under the previous waiver? and a statement as to why the department believes the parties to be interested parties?**

- **Lyft** – During the previous period, the partners on the India Basin project (including Partnership Staff and the India Basin Equitable Development Plan Manager) received a private grant enabling staff to work with Lyft to implement an equitable transportation element of the Initiative as directed by the community-developed [Equitable Development Plan](#) (EDP). This transportation program is designed to improve access to the park from the surrounding neighborhood. The program involves installing a bike rideshare station near the park – as specifically called out in the EDP – and creating a mechanism to offer subsidized car rides to the park. Lyft is an interested party to the Department because the company holds a five-year permit to operate a bikeshare program in San Francisco Parks under the Department’s jurisdiction.

India Basin partners and Rec Park Partnerships staff, and the EDP manager worked with Lyft because they are the sole provider of bike share in San Francisco, per agreements with the Metropolitan Transportation Council.

The project, which is in formation, will also involve developing a pilot project with Lyft to create a geofenced area within the 94124 zip code and provide free car rides to qualifying community members, supported with private funding. This work is primarily a business deal, but to stretch the funding, Rec Park staff requested that Lyft make an in-kind contribution of subsidizing or offering additional free rides.

Lyft responded with an offer of a 5% rebate on all funds spent on the initiative, which is most likely a standard reduction in cost as part of a negotiation, but out of an abundance of caution and transparency staff recorded this as a contribution and noted it on the initiative Website.

**2) If interested parties were solicited under the previous waiver, can you explain why your office believes this waiver does not create an appearance of impropriety?**

- This relationship does not create an appearance of impropriety because the Recreation and Park Commission approved the permit in July, and the financial terms of this relationship are set.

- 3) **Can you detail any payments in progress or pledged by donors that were solicited through the use of this waiver?**
- See item 2.
  - Further I did want to note that the Department takes ethics and transparency extremely seriously. Partnership staff are meticulously tracking every contribution to the Initiative, which has raised more than \$76 million in private funding as part of the \$225 million overall budget. This private funding has come from 70 gifts from individuals or institutions, and per the Sunshine Ordinance, every donor contributing more than \$100 is listed on a [dedicated page](#) the initiative website with a notation if the donor has any financial relationship with the city. None except Lyft, triggers a prong of the Behested Payments Waiver.
- 4) **Do note that RPD previous agreed to report to the board regarding the use of the previous waiver by no later than 12/14/25**
- Thank you for the note. This report is in progress

For current waiver

- 5) **Who are the specific interested parties, who would potentially be solicited under this waiver? Please provide a statement as to why the department believes the parties to be interested parties, under this new waiver?**
- **Lyft** – Since the waiver lapsed in October, the department has not made any further solicitations of Lyft, but as RPD staff or partners continue to negotiate a business relationship with the company, we would like to be able to renew a request for increased subsidies to stretch the philanthropic dollars available to fund this important program.
- 6) **If donations are being solicited or coordinated from interested parties through the grant of this waiver, can you please explain why your office believes this waiver does not create an appearance of impropriety?**
- We believe this relationship does not create an appearance of impropriety because the Recreation and Park Commission approved the permit in July, and the financial terms of this relationship are set.
- 7) **Will you commit to the reporting requirements and to fulfilling them prior to requesting an extension of this waiver?**
- Yes

### General questions

- 8) **Explain why the goals of the BPW couldn't be accomplished by soliciting behested payments from anyone who is not an interested party for RPD, or through a public appeal.**
- The goal of this Behested Payments Waiver is to give staff some comfort and flexibility to bring resources into this important community project without fear of violating city rules. We are constantly mindful of not creating an appearance of impropriety
- 9) **What specific programs and initiatives are being funded by donations raised through this BPW in the prior 6 months?**
- A transportation element of India Basin's Equitable Development Plan
- 10) **What specific programs and initiatives will be funded by donations raised through this BPW if granted.**
- There are no specific plans for this.