

1 [Emergency Declaration - Repair Transmission Line - Big Creek Shaft Road - Groveland,
2 California - Total Estimated Cost Not to Exceed \$400,000]

3 **Resolution approving an emergency declaration of the San Francisco Public Utilities**
4 **Commission pursuant to Administrative Code, Section 6.60, to repair Hetch Hetchy**
5 **Water and Power's 230kV transmission line near Big Creek Shaft Road near**
6 **Groveland, California, for a total estimated cost not to exceed \$400,000.**

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8 WHEREAS, On February 16, 2019, during a large snow storm, a tree fell into Hetch
9 Hetchy Water and Power's 230kV transmission line near Big Creek Shaft Road near
10 Groveland, California; and

11 WHEREAS, The tree, which was located immediately next to but outside of the San
12 Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) right of way, damaged about 1500 feet of
13 conductor (all three phases) and at least one transmission tower; and

14 WHEREAS, Prior to hitting SFPUC's 230kV transmission line, the tree also fell into
15 Pacific Gas and Electric's (PG&E) distribution line affecting power distribution to customers
16 near Groveland and power to the Groveland Community Services District's (GCSD) Big
17 Creek Shaft facility; and

18 WHEREAS, Big Creek Shaft is a diversion point for GCSD from the Hetch Hetchy
19 Regional Water System (HHRWS); and

20 WHEREAS, PG&E has restored power to all but six customers and has one day of
21 work to repair their distribution line that runs under SFPUC's transmission line before PG&E
22 can restore power to the remaining customers who are currently without power; and

23 WHEREAS, PG&E is waiting for SFPUC to repair its transmission line so that PG&E
24 can safely make repairs to PG&E's distribution line; and

1 WHEREAS, Administrative Code, Chapter 6, Article IV, Section 6.60, authorizes
2 department heads responsible for public work to award an emergency contract, exempt from
3 the competitive bidding process, in the event of an actual emergency, which is defined to
4 include, “ ... [t]he breakdown or imminent breakdown of any plant, equipment, structure,
5 street or public work necessitating immediate emergency repair or reconditioning to
6 safeguard the lives or property of the citizens, or the property of the City and County, or to
7 maintain the public health and welfare ...”; and

8 WHEREAS, On February 20, 2019, SFPUC General Manager declared an
9 emergency, approved by the Vice President of the San Francisco Public Utilities
10 Commission, to repair the transmission line because the President had resigned and a new
11 President has not been elected yet; and

12 WHEREAS, Administrative Code, Section 6.60(d) requires that the General Manager
13 immediately notify the Controller, and seek Board of Supervisors’ approval of emergency
14 public works with an estimated cost in excess of \$250,000; and

15 WHEREAS, The SFPUC General Manager estimates that the emergency work to
16 repair the transmission line is not expected to exceed \$400,000; and

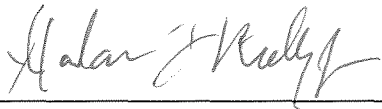
17 WHEREAS, The Controller has certified that funds are available for this emergency
18 work and contract; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors approves the emergency declaration
20 issued by the SFPUC General Manager on February 20, 2019, to address and complete
21 repairs to transmission line near Big Creek Shaft Road near Groveland, California; and, be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That actions taken to date by the San Francisco Public
23 Utilities Commission to address such emergency work and resolve the emergency condition
24 are hereby ratified.
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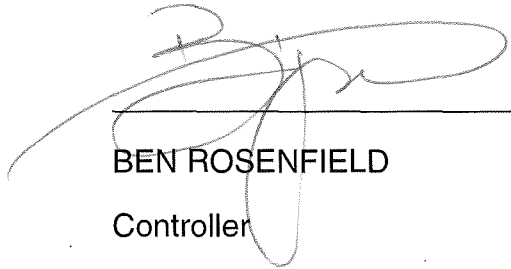
RECOMMENDED:



HARLAN L. KELLY, JR.

General Manager of the SFPUC

FUNDS AVAILABLE:



BEN ROSENFELD

Controller



City and County of San Francisco

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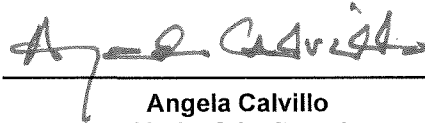

April 17, 2019 Budget and Finance Sub-Committee - RECOMMENDED

April 23, 2019 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Brown, Fewer, Haney, Mandelman, Mar, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, Walton and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/23/2019 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.


Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board
London N. Breed
Mayor
Date Approved