RESOLUTION NO. 422-03

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[Resolution Requesting that the Planning Department Give Highest Priority to Completion of Environmental Review for Revision of Housing Element of General Plan.]

Resolution requesting that the Planning Department give the highest priority to completion of environmental review for the revision of the Housing Element of the City's General Plan.

WHEREAS, California law requires that San Francisco have a Housing Element which the state Department of Housing and Community Development determines to be in compliance with state law; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the state determination, the Housing Element must be approved by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors; and,

WHEREAS, The state requires that San Francisco's Housing Element, formerly called the Residence Element and adopted on September 24, 1990, be updated on a regular basis; and,

WHEREAS, Maximum access to state affordable housing funds, including to state affordable housing bonds, requires that the City have an adopted and current Housing Element; and

WHEREAS. One of the major sources of funds for affordable housing in San Francisco is tax increment funds from those redevelopment areas where a substantial amount of housing was demolished and not replaced; and

WHEREAS, In order for the City to continue to have access to those tax increment funds, San Francisco must have an adopted and current Housing Element before the current authorization to use tax increment funds expires; and

WHEREAS, Since the City failed to attain a 2/3 vote on the Affordable Housing Bonds which were on the November 2002 ballot, state funds and tax increment funds are crucial to the City's ability to construct affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, The proposed Preliminary Negative Declaration for the revision to the Housing Element has not yet been issued, nor is the Board of Supervisors aware of any date when it is scheduled to be released; and

WHEREAS, Once the Negative Declaration is issued, it is subject to appeals to both the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors, which process may take several months; and

WHEREAS, Neither the Planning Commission nor the Board of Supervisors may approve the revised Housing Element until environmental review is complete; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Planning Department to make completion of environmental review on the Housing Element to be its highest priority; and, be it.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution shall be immediately communicated to the Planning Director, the Environmental Review Officer and members of the Planning Commission.



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Resolution

File Number:

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Date Passed:

Resolution requesting that the Planning Department give the highest priority to completion of environmental review for the revision of the Housing Element of the City's General Plan.

May 13, 2003 Board of Supervisors — REFERRED: Land Use Committee

Ayes: 7 - Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, Peskin

Absent: 3 - McGoldrick, Newsom, Sandoval

Excused: 1 - Ammiano

June 17, 2003 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Hall, Ma, Maxwell, Newsom, Peskin,

Sandoval

Excused: 1 - McGoldrick

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on June 17, 2003 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Date: June 27, 2003

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, became effective without his approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter.

Clerk of the **B**oard

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