

1 [Authorizing Paid Parking in Golden Gate Park]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to set parking**  
4 **rates in Golden Gate Park in accordance with Park Code provisions that authorize**  
5 **SFMTA rate-setting on park property; and affirming the Planning Department's**  
6 **determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

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8 WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Department (RPD) manages and operates  
9 Golden Gate Park, the third most visited park in the United States, which offers green space  
10 to 24 million visitors each year, and which is home to institutions like the de Young Museum  
11 and the California Academy of Sciences, which serve San Francisco residents of all ages and  
12 abilities; and

13 WHEREAS, Section 6.14 of the Park Code authorizes the San Francisco Municipal  
14 Transportation Agency (SFMTA), which sets parking rates in other parts of the City, to also  
15 set parking rates on park property, provided among other things that the parking rates for park  
16 property shall be closely comparable to the rates set for similarly situated paid parking, and  
17 that the Board of Supervisors approves the location of the paid parking areas and any parking  
18 restrictions; and

19 WHEREAS, Pursuant to Park Code Section 6.14 and Resolution No. 410-22, SFMTA  
20 has already begun setting parking rates at Kezar Parking Lot and at the Music Concourse  
21 Garage, and these rates have generally achieved their purpose of supporting recreation and  
22 helping RPD cover necessary operating expenses; and

23 WHEREAS, RPD and SFMTA are now proposing to implement paid parking under  
24 Park Code, Section 6.14 on all surface parking lots and streets in Golden Gate Park that are  
25 open for private vehicle traffic (not including Highway 1); and

1 WHEREAS, The parking rates would be set comparable to similarly situated parking,  
2 using the standard for demand responsive parking described in Transportation Code, Section  
3 402, as it may be amended from time to time, which sets rates that increase from year to year  
4 and which may then be adjusted upwards or downwards based on vehicle occupancy; and

5 WHEREAS, The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in  
6 this Resolution comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public  
7 Resources Code, Sections 21000 et seq.); said determination is on file with the Clerk of the  
8 Board of Supervisors in File No. 250617 and is incorporated herein by reference; the Board  
9 affirms this determination; and

10 WHEREAS, The purpose of implementing paid parking would be to support recreation  
11 in Golden Gate Park, and to help RPD cover park operating expenses and procure supplies  
12 and equipment and materials for the parks so that it can maintain existing levels of service;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, On February 20, 2025, Recreation and Park Commission recommended  
15 that the Board of Supervisors authorize SFMTA to charge for parking in Golden Gate Park as  
16 set forth above; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, In accordance with Park Code, Section 6.14, the Board of Supervisors  
18 approves the implementation of paid parking on surface lots and streets in Golden Gate Park  
19 that are open to private vehicle traffic, with the parking rates set by the SFMTA using the  
20 standard for demand responsive parking described in Transportation Code, Section 402, as it  
21 may be amended from time to time; and

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, In accordance with Park Code, Section 6.14, the Board of  
23 Supervisors approves that the parking restrictions set forth in the Park Code, as they may be  
24 amended from time to time, shall apply to any such system of paid parking; and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the  
2 Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to RPD and SFMTA.

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