

AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE

8/22/02

FILE NO. 020680

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1 [Cabrillo Street Bicycle Lanes.]

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3 **Resolution establishing a striped bicycle lane westbound and eastbound on Cabrillo**
4 **Street from Arguello Boulevard to La Playa Street.**

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6 WHEREAS, Safe and convenient places to walk and bicycle are essential elements of
7 retaining a high quality of life and a commitment to public safety in San Francisco; and

8 WHEREAS, Pedestrian and bicycle deaths in California account for 25 percent of all
9 traffic related fatalities in any given year and San Francisco has seen an alarming rise in
10 fatalities as well; and,

11 WHEREAS, Many motorists behave as if Cabrillo Street is a high speed thoroughfare
12 while in reality it is designed to be a calm neighborhood residential street, thereby creating
13 dangerous incongruence in expectations of drivers and pedestrians and bicyclists; and,

14 WHEREAS, many drivers assume that it is appropriate to drive at higher speeds on
15 Cabrillo Street due to the unusual width of its traffic lanes; and,

16 WHEREAS, Improving pedestrian safety conditions is of great importance in San
17 Francisco, and the addition of a bicycle lane provides traffic calming, as well as a pedestrian
18 buffer from moving automobile traffic, and discourages bicyclists from riding on the sidewalks;
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20 WHEREAS, Striped bicycle lanes have been shown to encourage increased and safer
21 cycling, as well as greater awareness of cyclists among city drivers; and,

22 WHEREAS, There has been a significant increase in bicycle ridership in this area due
23 to success of the Arguello Boulevard bike lanes which provide a safe link for bicycle
24 commuters to the remainder of the City bicycle plan; and,

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1 WHEREAS, Bike lanes along Cabrillo Street will provide the safest, flattest, most direct
2 route west from Arguello Boulevard to the remainder of the Richmond, and

3 WHEREAS, Bike lanes along Cabrillo Street will encourage bicyclists to use this direct
4 and safe route without the removal of traffic lanes or of any on-street parking spaces, and

5 WHEREAS, by encouraging bikers to use bike lanes on Cabrillo, the City will thereby
6 lessen the number of bikers on other possible east-west routes through the Richmond,
7 consequently lessening the impact of bikers on those other streets; now therefore be it,

8 RESOLVED, That the following regulations shall be established as follows:

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10 Bicycle Lanes – Establish

11 Cabrillo Street, westbound, between Arguello Boulevard and La Playa Street;

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