

1 [Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Department of Homeland Security - FEMA -
2 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program - \$2,696,215]

3 **Resolution retroactively authorizing the Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative,**
4 **through the Department of Emergency Management, to accept and expend a Regional**
5 **Catastrophic Preparedness Grant in the amount of \$2,696,215 for the period of October**
6 **1, 2024, through September 30, 2027, from the Department of Homeland Security**
7 **through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and authorizing the**
8 **Department of Emergency Management to execute the Grant Agreement.**

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10 WHEREAS, The Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative (Bay Area UASI) is a
11 regional agency charged with applying for, receiving, managing, and expending federal and
12 state funding to analyze regional risks; identify capability gaps; and build a secure, prepared,
13 and resilient region; and

14 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco through the Department of
15 Emergency Management acts as the fiscal agent for the Bay Area UASI; and

16 WHEREAS, Since 2006, the core cities and counties of the Bay Area UASI have
17 maintained an updated Memorandum of Understanding that outlines the objectives,
18 governance structure, membership, responsibilities, reporting structure, and financial
19 arrangements used by the Bay Area UASI in applying for, allocating, and distributing UASI
20 Program grant funding on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Area which is on file with the Clerk
21 of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 220132; and

22 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco encourages initiatives that
23 strengthen emergency planning, first responder preparedness, and community resilience; and

24 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Homeland Security provides grants to
25 state, local, tribal, and territorial jurisdictions that can be used for training, exercises, planning,

1 and personnel to prepare for many threats and hazards through preparedness and other
2 grants; and

3 WHEREAS, The Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP)
4 provides funding to close known capability gaps, encourage innovative regional solutions to
5 issues related to catastrophic incidents, and build on existing regional preparedness efforts;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, The Bay Area UASI received RCPGP awards from the Department of
8 Homeland Security in Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 for \$1,309,398 and \$1,500,000,
9 respectively, to support Phases 1 and 2 of the Equitable Community Resilience project on
10 behalf of the San Francisco Bay Area; and

11 WHEREAS, On July 15, 2024, the Bay Area UASI applied to the Department of
12 Homeland Security for an RCPGP grant to support the third and final phase of the Equitable
13 Community Resilience project on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Area; and

14 WHEREAS, On September 25, 2024, the Bay Area UASI received an award letter for
15 \$2,696,215 for a performance period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2027; and

16 WHEREAS, The RCPGP Grant award does not require any match from the City and
17 County of San Francisco General Fund nor an Annual Salary Ordinance amendment; and

18 WHEREAS, The RCPGP Grant award includes personnel, fringe, and other costs
19 associated with administration of the RCPGP Grant and does not establish any indirect costs
20 to the City and County of San Francisco; and

21 WHEREAS, The Bay Area UASI intends to use the RCPGP grant to build on previous
22 regional investments, with equity and climate resiliency as its foundation and community
23 resilience and long-term vulnerability reduction as its focus, by implementing local planning
24 activities, including the creation of local roadmaps to climate resilience and environmental
25 justice, regional activities, including the development of a crisis communications platform and

1 climate resilience toolkit, and other organizational and exercise tasks associated with these
2 priorities; and

3 WHEREAS, The Bay Area UASI has not yet spent any of the awarded funding to date;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The Bay Area UASI is committed to ensuring all grant funds are utilized in
6 a compliant, appropriate, and transparent manner, including programs that respect the civil
7 rights and liberties of all San Francisco Bay Area residents; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Bay Area UASI can accept and expend the RCPGP Grant in
9 accordance with the purposes and goals of the funding as outlined in the award letter; and, be
10 it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the award letter serves as the Grant Agreement between
12 the parties, and, as party representing the City and County of San Francisco, the Bay Area
13 UASI is authorized to submit any extensions or amendments to the grant agreement; and, be
14 it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of
16 indirect costs in the grant budget.

1 Recommended:

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4 /s/
5 Mary Ellen Carroll
6 Executive Director
7 Department of Emergency Management

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9 /s/
10 Greg Wagner
11 Controller
12 City and County of San Francisco Controller's Office

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14 /s/
15 Daniel Lurie
16 Mayor
17 City and County of San Francisco