

1 [Affirming the Community Plan Exemption Determination - Proposed Project at 2675 Folsom
2 Street]

3 **Motion affirming the determination by the Planning Department that a proposed project**
4 **at 2675 Folsom Street is exempt from further environmental review under a Community**
5 **Plan Exemption.**

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7 WHEREAS, On September 20, 2016, the Planning Department issued a Community
8 Plan Exemption under the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plan Final
9 Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), finding that the proposed project located at 2675
10 Folsom Street (“Project”): is consistent with the development density established by the
11 zoning, community plan, and general plan policies in the Eastern Neighborhoods Rezoning
12 and Area Plan project area, for which the FEIR was certified; would not result in new
13 significant environmental effects, or effects of greater severity than were already analyzed and
14 disclosed in the FEIR; and therefore does not require further environmental review under the
15 California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.,
16 the CEQA Guidelines, and San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 31, in accordance
17 with CEQA Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines, Section 15183; and

18 WHEREAS, The proposed project involves the demolition three existing two-story
19 warehouse and storage structures totaling 21,599 square feet, as well as surface parking and
20 storage areas, and the construction of a four-story-over-basement, 40-foot-tall residential
21 building, which would include 117 residential units and approximately 5,200 square feet of
22 Production, Distribution and Repair (PDR) space; and

23 WHEREAS, By letter to the Clerk of the Board, received by the Clerk's Office on
24 October 21, 2016, J. Scott Weaver, on behalf of Calle 24 Latino Cultural District Community
25 Council (Appellant) appealed the exemption determination; and

1 WHEREAS, The Appellant provided a copy of Planning Commission Motion No. 19744,
2 adopted on September 22, 2016, approving a Large Project Authorization under Planning
3 Code Section 329 and finding that the proposed project was within the scope of the FEIR and
4 did not require further environmental review under CEQA Section 21083.3 and CEQA
5 Guidelines Section 15183; and

6 WHEREAS, By Motion No. 19745, adopted on September 22, 2016, the Planning
7 Commission also approved a conditional use authorization under Planning Code Section 303;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, The Planning Department's Environmental Review Officer, by
10 memorandum to the Clerk of the Board dated October 25, 2016, determined that the appeal
11 had been timely filed; and

12 WHEREAS, On April 18, 2017, this Board held a duly noticed public hearing to
13 consider the appeal of the exemption determination filed by Appellant and, following the public
14 hearing, affirmed the exemption determination; and

15 WHEREAS, In reviewing the appeal of the exemption determination, this Board
16 reviewed and considered the exemption determination, the appeal letter, the responses to the
17 appeal documents that the Planning Department prepared, the other written records before
18 the Board of Supervisors and all of the public testimony made in support of and opposed to
19 the exemption determination appeal; and

20 WHEREAS, Following the conclusion of the public hearing, the Board of Supervisors
21 affirmed the determination that the project does not require further environmental review
22 based on the written record before the Board of Supervisors as well as all of the testimony at
23 the public hearing in support of and opposed to the appeal; and

24 WHEREAS, The written record and oral testimony in support of and opposed to the
25 appeal and deliberation of the oral and written testimony at the public hearing before the

1 Board of Supervisors by all parties and the public in support of and opposed to the appeal of
2 the exemption determination is in the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors File No. 161146 and is
3 incorporated in this motion as though set forth in its entirety; now therefore, be it

4 MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
5 hereby adopts as its own and incorporates by reference in this motion, as though fully set
6 forth, the exemption determination; and be it

7 FURTHER MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors finds that based on the whole
8 record before it there are no substantial project changes, no substantial changes in project
9 circumstances, and no new information of substantial importance that would change the
10 conclusions set forth in the exemption determination by the Planning Department that the
11 proposed project does not require further environmental review; and, be it

12 FURTHER MOVED, That after carefully considering the appeal of the exemption
13 determination, including the written information submitted to the Board of Supervisors and the
14 public testimony presented to the Board of Supervisors at the hearing on the exemption
15 determination, this Board concludes that the project is consistent with the development
16 density established by the zoning, community plan, and general plan policies in the Eastern
17 Neighborhoods Rezoning and Area Plan project area, for which the FEIR was certified; would
18 not result in new significant environmental effects, or effects of greater severity than were
19 already analyzed and disclosed in the FEIR; and therefore does not require further
20 environmental review in accordance with CEQA Section 21083.3 and CEQA Guidelines
21 Section 15183.

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