

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. 09-0203

WHEREAS, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) staff have developed a project description under the Water System Improvement Program (WSIP) for the improvements to the regional water supply system, otherwise known as Project No. CUW38101, Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant Expansion and Treated Water Reservoir Project; and

WHEREAS, The objectives of the Project are to:

- Comply with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Compliance Order (Order 02-04-96C-001) to provide treated water storage to serve as a buffer for potential treatment failures at the SVWTP;
- Add redundant facilities at the SVWTP to improve treatment reliability by increasing the plant's "sustainable capacity" to 160 mgd, defined as the ability to treat 160 mgd for at least 60 days with the largest piece of equipment or process component (e.g., flocculation and sedimentation basin) out of service for maintenance (overall hydraulic peak capacity at the plant would remain 160 mgd);
- Provide ability to reliably augment water supply with as much as 160 mgd of water from the Alameda Creek watershed during unplanned outages of the Hetch Hetchy supply; and
- Provide ability to sustainably treat as much as 160 mgd of Hetch Hetchy water at the SVWTP during an unplanned Hetch Hetchy water quality event.

WHEREAS, On December 3, 2009, the Planning Commission reviewed and considered the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) in Planning Department File No. 2006.0137E, consisting of the Draft EIR, the Comments and Responses document, and found that the contents of said report and the procedures through which the FEIR was prepared, publicized and reviewed complied with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code and found further that the FEIR reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City and County of San Francisco, is adequate, accurate and objective, and that the Comments and Responses document contains no significant revisions to the Draft EIR, and certified the completion of said FEIR in compliance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines in its Motion No. _____; and

WHEREAS, This Commission has reviewed and considered the information contained in the FEIR, all written and oral information provided by the Planning Department, the public, relevant public agencies, SFPUC and other experts and the administrative files for the Project and the FEIR; and

WHEREAS, The Project and FEIR files have been made available for review by the SFPUC and the public in File No. 2006.0137E, at 1650 Mission Street, Fourth Floor, San Francisco, California; and those files are part of the record before this Commission; and

WHEREAS, SFPUC staff prepared proposed findings, as required by CEQA, (CEQA Findings) in Attachment A to this Resolution and a proposed Mitigation, Monitoring and

Reporting Program (MMRP) in Attachment B to this Resolution, which material was made available to the public and the Commission for the Commission's review, consideration and action; and

WHEREAS, The Project is a capital improvement project approved by this Commission as part of the Water System Improvement Program (WSIP); and

WHEREAS, A Final Program EIR (PEIR) was prepared for the WSIP and certified by the Planning Commission on October 30, 2008 by Motion No. 17734; and

WHEREAS, Thereafter, the SFPUC approved the WSIP and adopted findings and a MMRP as required by CEQA on October 30, 2008 by Resolution No. 08-200; and

WHEREAS, The FEIR prepared for the Project is tiered from the PEIR, as authorized by and in accordance with CEQA; and

WHEREAS, The PEIR has been made available for review by the SFPUC and the public, and is part of the record before this Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Project includes work located in Alameda County, and SFPUC staff may seek to enter into a Memoranda of Agreement ("MOA") with this local jurisdiction, addressing such matters as (a) SFPUC's commitments to restore or replace, pursuant to agreed specifications, certain improvements owned by the local jurisdiction, (b) cooperative procedures and fees relating to local permits, inspections, and communications to the public concerning Project construction, (c) the form of necessary encroachment permits or other property agreements for Project construction, and (d) the parties' respective indemnification and insurance obligations; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC has issued leases, permits, or licenses to certain parties to use for various purposes portions of City-owned property along the SFPUC right of way where the Project work will occur, and in some instances, there is apparent use of City-owned property by other parties for which there is no evidence of SFPUC authorization, or other parties hold property rights or interests on lands along, over, adjacent to or in the vicinity of the right of way, and it may be necessary for the Project for the General Manager, or his designee, to (a) exercise rights under any such deed, lease, permit, or license or (b) negotiate and execute new or amended leases, permits, licenses, or encroachment removal or other project related agreements (each, a "Use Instrument") with owners or occupiers of property interests or utility facilities or improvements on, along, over, adjacent to or in the vicinity of, City property with respect to uses and structures, fences, and other above-ground or subterranean improvements or interests, orchards, trees, or other vegetation, or to implement Project mitigation measures or accommodate Project construction activities and schedule; and

WHEREAS, Implementation of the Project will involve consultation with, or required approvals by, state and federal regulatory agencies, including but not limited to the following: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, California Department of Transportation, State Historic Preservation Officer, California Department of Fish and Game,

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, and Bay Area Air Quality Management District; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, This Commission has reviewed and considered the Final EIR (FEIR), finds that the FEIR is adequate for its use as the decision-making body for the actions taken herein, and hereby adopts the CEQA Findings, including the Statement of Overriding Considerations, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein as part of this Resolution by this reference thereto, and adopts the MMRP attached to this Resolution as Exhibit B and incorporated herein as part of this Resolution by this reference thereto, and authorizes a request to the Board of Supervisors to adopt the same CEQA Findings, Statement of Overriding Considerations and MMRP; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby approves Project No. CUW38101 Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant Expansion and Treated Water Reservoir Project and authorizes staff to proceed with actions necessary to implement the Project consistent with this Resolution, including advertising for construction bids, provided, however, that staff will return to seek Commission approval for award of the construction contract; and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, The General Manager will confer with the Commission during the negotiation process on real estate agreements as necessary, and report to the Commission on all agreements submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby authorizes the General Manager to negotiate and execute a Memoranda of Agreement to facilitate and coordinate the Project work, if necessary, with Alameda County (the "Project MOA") in a form that the General Manager determines is in the public interest and is acceptable, necessary, and advisable to effectuate the purposes and intent of this Resolution, and in compliance with the Charter and all applicable laws, and approved as to form by the City Attorney. The Project MOA may address such matters as (a) SFPUC's commitments to restore or replace, pursuant to agreed specifications, certain improvements owned by the local jurisdiction, (b) cooperative procedures and fees relating to local permits, inspections, and communications to the public concerning Project construction, (c) the form of necessary encroachment permits or other property licenses required to permit Project construction, and (d) the parties' respective indemnification and insurance obligations, subject to the San Francisco Risk Manager's approval; and, be it

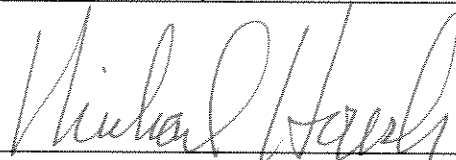
FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission authorizes the General Manager, or his designee, to exercise any right as necessary under any deed or Use Instrument and negotiate and execute new or amended Use Instruments, if necessary for the Project, with owners or occupiers of property interests or utility facilities or improvements on, along, over, adjacent to, or in the vicinity of the SFPUC right of way, in a form that the General Manager determines is in the public interest and is acceptable, necessary, and advisable to accommodate Project construction activities and schedule, carry out Project related mitigation measures, and to otherwise effectuate the purposes and intent of this Resolution, in compliance with the Charter and all applicable laws, and in such form approved by the City Attorney; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission authorizes the General Manager, or his designee, to consult with, or apply for, and, if necessary, seek Board of Supervisors' approval, and if approved, to accept and execute permits or required approvals by state and federal regulatory agencies, including but not limited to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, California Department of Transportation, State Historic Preservation Officer, California Department of Fish and Game, and San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, including terms and conditions that are within the lawful authority of the agency to impose, in the public interest, and, in the judgment of the General Manager, in consultation with the City Attorney, are reasonable and appropriate for the scope and duration of the requested permit or approval, as necessary for the Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission authorizes the General Manager to work with the Director of Real Estate to seek Board of Supervisors approval if necessary, and provided any necessary Board approval is obtained, to accept and execute the real property agreements authorized herein; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission authorizes the General Manager, or his designee, to enter into any subsequent additions, amendments or other modifications to the permits, licenses, encroachment removal agreements, leases, easements and other Use Instruments or real property agreements, or amendments thereto, as described herein, that the General Manager, in consultation with the Commercial Land Manager and the City Attorney, determines are in the best interests of the SFPUC and the City, do not materially decrease the benefits to the SFPUC or the City, and do not materially increase the obligations or liabilities of the SFPUC or the City, such determination to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of any such additions, amendments, or other modifications.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of December 8, 2009



Secretary, Public Utilities Commission