

1 [Preparation of Findings to Reverse the Exemption Determination - San Francisco Municipal
2 Transportation Agency's Fell and Oak Streets Bikeways Project]

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5 **Motion directing the Clerk of the Board to prepare findings reversing the exemption**
6 **determination by the Planning Department that the San Francisco Municipal**
7 **Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) Fell and Oak Streets Bikeways Project is exempt**
8 **from environmental review.**

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10 WHEREAS, The Planning Department has determined that the SFMTA Fell and Oak
11 Streets Bikeways Project is exempt from environmental review under the California
12 Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines, and San Francisco Administrative
13 Code Chapter 31. The proposed project involves removing parking lanes and adding bike
14 lanes, as well as other related changes to Fell and Oak Streets between Baker and Scott
15 Streets. By letter to the Clerk of the Board, Mark Brennan, Howard Chabner, and Ted
16 Loewenberg (Appellants), received by the Clerk's Office on November 2, 2012, appealed the
17 exemption determination. The Appellants provided a copy a Certificate of Determination,
18 Exemption From Environmental Review, issued on October 4, 2012, which stated that the
19 Planning Department determined that the project was exempt under Classes 1 and 4 of the
20 CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Reg. §15000 et seq.). Appellants also provided a copy of the
21 SFMTA Board of Directors' Resolution No.12-129 approving the proposed work on October
22 16, 2012; and

23 WHEREAS, On December 11, 2012, this Board held a duly noticed public hearing to
24 consider the appeal of the exemption determination filed by Appellants, and following the
25 public hearing reversed the exemption determination; and

1 WHEREAS, In reviewing the appeal of the exemption determination, this Board
2 reviewed and considered the exemption determination, the appeal letters, the responses to
3 concerns document that the Planning Department prepared, the other written records before
4 the Board of Supervisors and all of the public testimony made in support of and opposed to
5 the exemption determination appeal. Following the conclusion of the public hearing, the
6 Board of Supervisors reversed the exemption determination for the project based on the
7 written record before the Board of Supervisors as well as all of the testimony at the public
8 hearing in support of and opposed to the appeal. The written record and oral testimony in
9 support of and opposed to the appeal and deliberation of the oral and written testimony at the
10 public hearing before the Board of Supervisors by all parties and the public in support of and
11 opposed to the appeal of the exemption determination is in the Clerk of the Board of
12 Supervisors File No. 121118 and is incorporated in this motion as though set forth in its
13 entirety; now therefore be it

14 MOVED, That this Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to prepare the
15 findings specifying the basis for its decision on the appeal of the exemption determination
16 issued by the Planning Department for the project.

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