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Completed by: Brent Jalipa Date June 20, 2025

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1 [Authorizing Paid Parking in Golden Gate Park]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to set parking**
4 **rates in Golden Gate Park in accordance with Park Code provisions that authorize**
5 **SFMTA rate-setting on park property; and affirming the Planning Department's**
6 **determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

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8 WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Department (RPD) manages and operates
9 Golden Gate Park, the third most visited park in the United States, which offers green space
10 to 24 million visitors each year, and which is home to institutions like the de Young Museum
11 and the California Academy of Sciences, which serve San Francisco residents of all ages and
12 abilities; and

13 WHEREAS, Section 6.14 of the Park Code authorizes the San Francisco Municipal
14 Transportation Agency (SFMTA), which sets parking rates in other parts of the City, to also
15 set parking rates on park property, provided among other things that the parking rates for park
16 property shall be closely comparable to the rates set for similarly situated paid parking, and
17 that the Board of Supervisors approves the location of the paid parking areas and any parking
18 restrictions; and

19 WHEREAS, Pursuant to Park Code Section 6.14 and Resolution No. 410-22, SFMTA
20 has already begun setting parking rates at Kezar Parking Lot and at the Music Concourse
21 Garage, and these rates have generally achieved their purpose of supporting recreation and
22 helping RPD cover necessary operating expenses; and

23 WHEREAS, RPD and SFMTA are now proposing to implement paid parking under
24 Park Code, Section 6.14 on all surface parking lots and streets in Golden Gate Park that are
25 open for private vehicle traffic (not including Highway 1); and

1 WHEREAS, The parking rates would be set comparable to similarly situated parking,
2 using the standard for demand responsive parking described in Transportation Code, Section
3 402, as it may be amended from time to time, which sets rates that increase from year to year
4 and which may then be adjusted upwards or downwards based on vehicle occupancy; and

5 WHEREAS, The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in
6 this Resolution comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public
7 Resources Code, Sections 21000 et seq.); said determination is on file with the Clerk of the
8 Board of Supervisors in File No. 250617 and is incorporated herein by reference; the Board
9 affirms this determination; and

10 WHEREAS, The purpose of implementing paid parking would be to support recreation
11 in Golden Gate Park, and to help RPD cover park operating expenses and procure supplies
12 and equipment and materials for the parks so that it can maintain existing levels of service;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, On February 20, 2025, Recreation and Park Commission recommended
15 that the Board of Supervisors authorize SFMTA to charge for parking in Golden Gate Park as
16 set forth above; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, In accordance with Park Code, Section 6.14, the Board of Supervisors
18 approves the implementation of paid parking on surface lots and streets in Golden Gate Park
19 that are open to private vehicle traffic, with the parking rates set by the SFMTA using the
20 standard for demand responsive parking described in Transportation Code, Section 402, as it
21 may be amended from time to time; and

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, In accordance with Park Code, Section 6.14, the Board of
23 Supervisors approves that the parking restrictions set forth in the Park Code, as they may be
24 amended from time to time, shall apply to any such system of paid parking; and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the
2 Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to RPD and SFMTA.

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San Francisco Recreation & Parks

The San Francisco Recreation and Park Department's Mission is to provide enriching recreational activities, maintain beautiful parks and preserve the environment for the well-being of everyone in our diverse community



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

June 20, 2025

Budget: Recreation – Proposed Reductions

RPD disagrees with the proposal to eliminate 7 additional recreation positions

Recreation Staffing Model

- Programs are run with both permanent and part-time staffing.
- If permanent positions are vacant due to hiring delays, RPD uses the salary dollars for part-time employees that run programming.
- Despite vacancies due to attrition and hiring, Recreation's current 253 FTE, is higher than its budgeted 186 FTE by 67 FTE.

Aquatics

- Due to on-going, nationwide Lifeguard shortage, permanent Aquatics positions have been left vacant for an extended period.
- RPD has used TEX positions for a Lifeguard Trainee program

Aquatics	Budget	Actual	Balance	Comments
Permanent Positions	62.72	48.72	14.00	Approved by Mayor's Office for hire in May
Attrition Savings - Miscellaneous	(8.55)	(8.72)	0.17	Vacancies held in attrition
Funded Permanent Positions	54.17	40.00	14.17	
Temporary Staff FTE	8.32	22.44	(14.12)	Using salary balance for TEX staffing
Total Staffing	62.49	62.44	0.05	



Budget: Partnerships – Policy Recommendation

RPD disagrees with the potential cut of 6 filled Partnerships positions

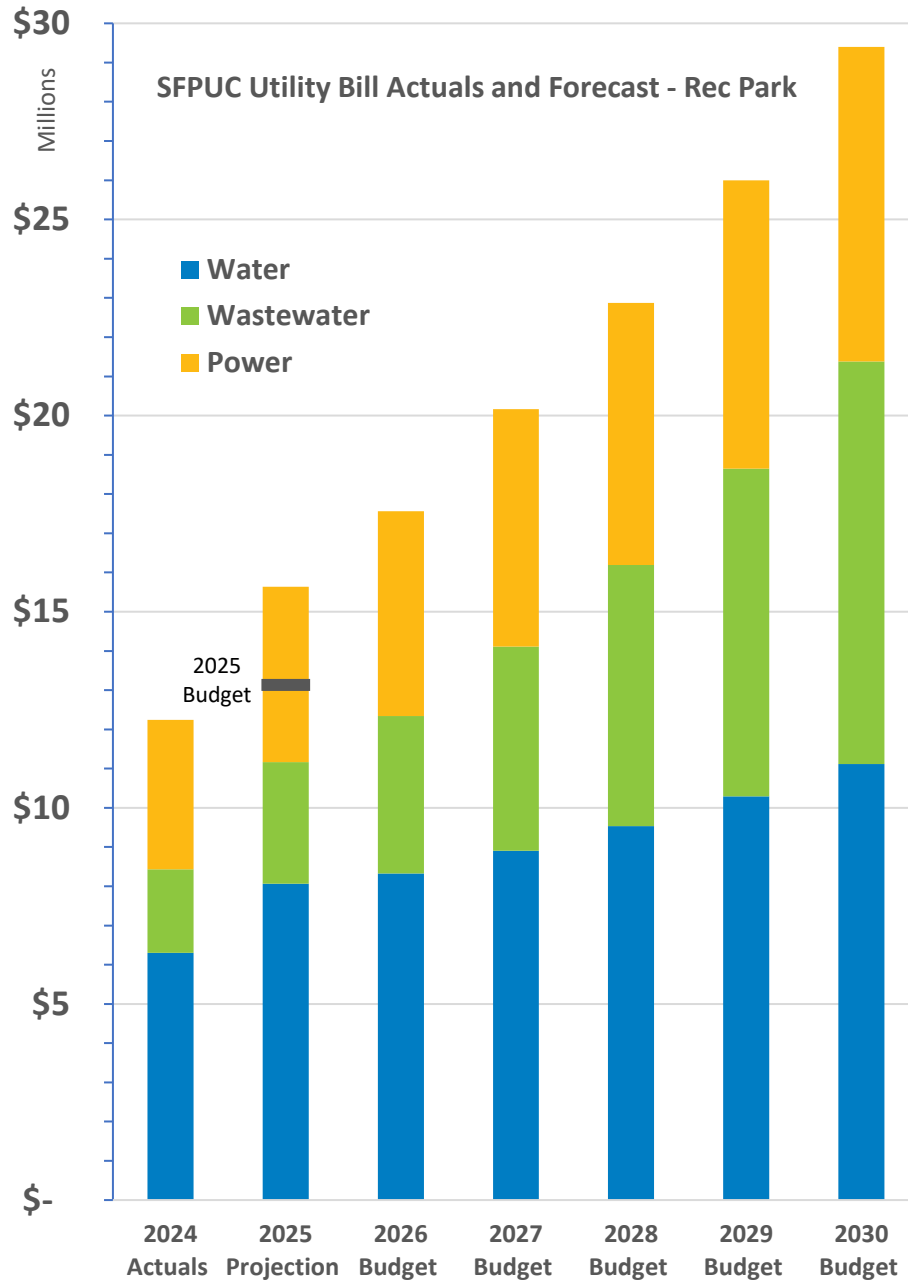
Elimination of the Partnerships Division would leave the Department with no staff to support and project manage community driven projects and programs. This team supports hundreds of donors and community groups in every supervisorial district.

Examples of current and recently completed projects supported by partnerships include **India Basin, Crocker Amazon Playing Fields, Herz Playground Rec Center, Esprit Park, Gilman Playground, Heron's Head, Francisco Park, McLaren Park Tennis Courts, Embarcadero Plaza, Jackson Park, Koshland Park, Reforestation of Parks in the Southeast of San Francisco, Tenderloin Rec Center Playground, and more.**

Over the last five years the partnerships division has generated on average \$29M a year in philanthropic support and state and federal grants unrelated to the former San Francisco Parks Alliance.



Utility Cost Recovery Surcharge



RPD's total utility budget is expected to increase by **roughly 50% over the next two years.**

- \$13M in FY 2024-25 to \$20M in FY 2026-27

Proposed surcharges to offset utility increases

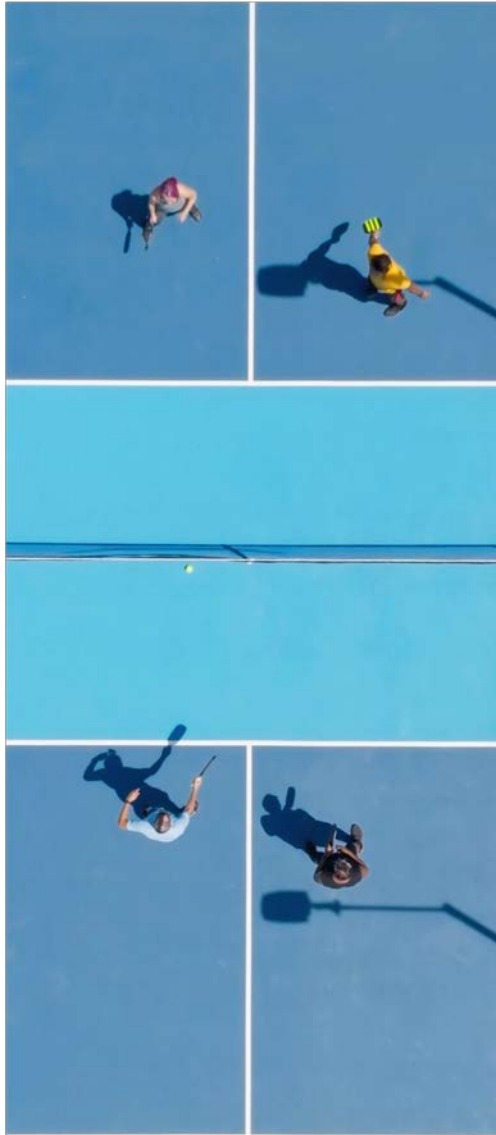
- Golf: \$4 (9 holes), \$6 (18 holes)
- Athletic Fields: \$1 per hour
- Picnic Areas: \$5–\$25
- Outdoor Events: 10% of venue fees

Estimated revenue

- \$1.2M (FY25-26), \$1.75M (FY26-27)
- Recovers ~10% of utility costs (FY25-26, 9 months)
- Indexed to CPI
- Total utility budget projected compound annual growth is 17% over five years



Court Reservations



Proposed \$1M in new revenue from implementing a **\$5 per hour court reservation fee.**

For reservations made more than one week in advance:

- Not for profit or individual \$20 per hour
- For profit \$40 per hour

28 out of 66 locations will have reservations

- Walk-up play remains free at the majority (68%) of court locations

Other Major Cities:

- Seattle: \$7–\$15/hour
- Berkeley: \$12/hour
- Santa Cruz: \$20–\$30/hour
- Oakland: \$10–\$15/hour
- New York, Los Angeles, Portland, Chicago: All charge for reservable court access

Recreation Scholarships and Cost Recovery

Current Recreation Cost Recovery: \$0.15 for every \$1 spent.

Proposal allows Recreation to recover up to specified amounts based on the type of program and the participants. Model is a best practice in other Bay Area cities, (San Jose, Santa Clara, Mountain View, Milpitas) and around the country.

Cost recovery models provide equitable distributions of funding support, greater transparency on the cost of programming, and improved financial sustainability.

Program categories

- **Community benefit** are group-based, inclusive, and promote community health and/or engagement
- **Individual benefit** are more specialized, skill-focused, or serve a single participant, justifying a higher recovery target.

RPD offers over 3,500 classes annually, with fees ranging from \$0 to \$600 and most benefit the community.

Program Category	Maximum Cost Recovery	Examples
Community Benefit	Up to 50%	Peace Parks Program: No increase, remains free Senior Dance Programs: No increase, remains free
Individual Benefit for Youth, Seniors, and Persons with Disabilities	Up to 75%	Youth Swim Lessons: \$5 increase per lesson Youth Karate: \$3.80 increase per lesson
Individual Benefit for Adults	Up to 100%	Adult Yoga: \$8 increase per lesson



Recreation Scholarships and Cost Recovery



Scholarships: Applicants must live in San Francisco and have income equal to or less than 250% of the current federal poverty level or live in public housing, be in Foster Care, or unhoused.

25% of all program participants are currently on scholarship

Scholarship	Eligibility
50% Subsidy	Households that meet income eligibility.
75% Subsidy	Household are in 2+ government subsidized programs AND Adult
100% Subsidy	Household are in 2+ subsidized programs AND Child or Senior

RPD projects an additional **\$0.6M in FY 2025-26** and **\$1.2M in FY 2026-27** with the adoption of a new program cost recovery model.



Golden Gate Park Paid Parking



Paid parking in all legal parking areas within Golden Gate Park (~3,100 spaces)

Rate:

Set in consultation with SFMTA. Demand responsive rate averaging \$3.00/hour with early bird option.

Projected Schedule:

9 a.m. to 6 p.m., 7 days per week

How to Pay:

App to facilitate mobile payment and pay stations located near park destinations.

Implementation Date:

Scheduled for January **2027**

Net Revenue:

\$4.9M for six months



Golf

Original proposal

Eliminate \$7.5M General Fund subsidy in FY 2026-27 through the potential leasing of golf courses to private operators.

With approval of trailing budget legislation, and revised golf fees, (pending introduction), RPD will no longer pursue lower cost private sector maintenance agreements.

This solution (a new Utility Cost Recovery Surcharge and revised Golf Fees) will preserve excellent public sector work, generate an additional \$4M over the next two years, and result in up to a 60% reduction of the General Fund subsidy.



Golf Affordability



Maintaining Affordable Access to Municipal Golf For All

- **No fee increases** at Lincoln or Golden Gate (except for utility surcharge)
- **Youth rates unchanged**, except for utility surcharge
- **First Tee** provides free access to **11,000 youth** annually (2,000 at Harding)
- **Senior discounts** continue Mon–Thurs at all courses
- **Harding Park Highlights**
 - **Youth on Course:** \$3–\$5 per round at Harding/Fleming
 - **14 high schools** retain discounted access
 - **PGA HOPE:** SF resident rates for all veterans
 - **Beginner lesson discounts** for seniors, adults, and youth



Potential service reductions October 2025

If legislation is not approved, Rec Park will need to reduce services, vacate positions, and implement layoffs as necessary in October 2025 by an additional \$5M, (\$6.7M on an ongoing 12-month basis,) which includes **34 full-time and 92 part-time positions**.

	FY26	FY27
Revenue at risk		
No Paid Parking in GGP		(4.9)
No additional fee revenue	(2.9)	(4.0)
At risk revenue subtotal	(2.9)	(8.9)
Service reductions to balance		
Service Reductions	5.0	6.7
Year 1 savings		2.2
Potential reductions subtotal	5.0	8.9
Ending Balance	2.2	0.0

SWIMMING POOLS (\$0.5M; 4 full-time and 4 part-time positions)

- **Closing one pool out of 9 pools (8 year-round) at a time on a rotating schedule** to reduce costs while keeping overall access available across the city.
 - Swim lessons serve about 5,000 children annually, but waitlists have soared to nearly 7,000—a 131% unmet demand.

RECREATION CENTER PROGRAMS (\$0.5M; 18 part-time positions)

- **Reduced hours at 25 recreation centers** from 60 to 40 per week, a 30% reduction. Fewer senior, tot, and drop-in program hours.

SUMMER CAMPS (\$0.9M; 70 part-time positions)

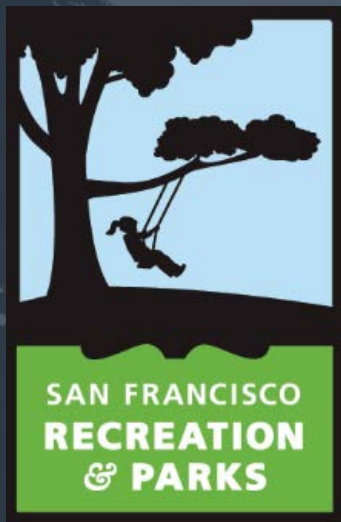
- A **25% reduction** in summer camps—**2,500 fewer camp slots**
 - In 2024, our summer camps are offering 9,000 spots, but more than 4,200 children are still on the waitlist. One of our most popular, the Jr. Warriors basketball league has more kids waiting to join than are enrolled.

PARK MAINTENANCE (\$2.0M, 21 full-time positions)

- **Reducing 2.5 hours from 120 restrooms** from 8 AM–8 PM to 8 AM–5:30 PM results in a **21% reduction** in open restroom hours.
- **Reduction in Local 261 gardener apprenticeship program**; currently, we have a class of 15, which will be reduced to 6.
- **Reduction in trash service**

PUBLIC SAFETY (\$1.1M, 9 full-time positions)

- A **10+% cut to Park Rangers**—reducing our ability to prevent illegal encampments and possibly eliminating fixed posts like UN Plaza and Dolores Park.



Thank You



City and County of San Francisco

Recreation and Park Commission



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June 5, 2025

Ms. Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board
Board of Supervisors, City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Madam Clerk Calvillo,

RE: Recreation and Park Commission Resolution Number 2502-011

The Recreation and Park Commission met on February 20, 2025, to consider the proposed fiscal year 2025-2026 and fiscal year 2026-2027 Recreation and Park Department budget. As part of the proposed budget, the Commission discussed and heard public testimony on several budget initiatives, including: new scholarships and cost recovery model, new fees for court reservations, eliminating the general fund subsidy for golf courses through a request for qualifications and/or proposals process, implementing cost efficiencies through vehicle leasing and maintenance, and an assumed net revenue of \$9 million from implementing a paid parking program in Golden Gate Park.

The Commissioners voted 5 to 1 in favor of approving the recommended budget for the Recreation and Park Department for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. I am attaching a copy of Commission Resolution #2502-011 for your reference.

President Kat Anderson	Yes
Vice President Joe Hallisy	Yes
Commissioner Clark-Herrera	Yes
Commissioner Mazzola, Jr.	No
Commissioner Wintroub	Yes
Commissioner Zwart	Yes
Commissioner Louie	Excused

Should you have any questions, please reach out to me at ashley.summers@sfgov.org or call me at (415) 831-2701.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ashley Summers".

Ashley Summers
Commission Liaison
Recreation and Park Commission

cc: Kat Anderson, Commission President
Brent Jalipa, Assistant Clerk
Phil Ginsburg, General Manager

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RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION
City and County of San Francisco
Resolution Number 2502-011

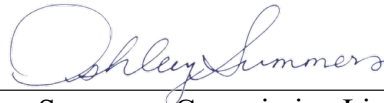
RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT BUDGET OVERVIEW

RESOLVED, This Commission does approve the recommended budgets for the Recreation and Park Department for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes	5
Noes	1
Absent	1

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at the Recreation and Park Commission meeting held on February 20, 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Ashley Summers", is written over a horizontal line.

Ashley Summers, Commission Liaison

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 2, 2025
To: Planning Department / Commission
From: Brent Jalipa, Clerk of the Budget and Appropriations Committee
Subject: Board of Supervisors Legislation Referral - File No. 250617
Authorizing Paid Parking in Golden Gate Park

- ☒ California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination
(*California Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 et seq.*)
- ☒ Ordinance / Resolution
☐ Ballot Measure
- Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.
6/4/2025 *Joy Navarrete*
- ☐ Amendment to the Planning Code, including the following Findings:
(*Planning Code, Section 302(b): 90 days for Planning Commission review*)
- ☐ General Plan ☐ Planning Code, Section 101.1 ☐ Planning Code, Section 302
- ☐ Amendment to the Administrative Code, involving Land Use/Planning
(*Board Rule 3.23: 30 days for possible Planning Department review*)
- ☐ General Plan Referral for Non-Planning Code Amendments
(*Charter, Section 4.105, and Administrative Code, Section 2A.53*)
(Required for legislation concerning the acquisition, vacation, sale, or change in use of City property; subdivision of land; construction, improvement, extension, widening, narrowing, removal, or relocation of public ways, transportation routes, ground, open space, buildings, or structures; plans for public housing and publicly-assisted private housing; redevelopment plans; development agreements; the annual capital expenditure plan and six-year capital improvement program; and any capital improvement project or long-term financing proposal such as general obligation or revenue bonds.)
- ☐ Historic Preservation Commission
- ☐ Landmark (*Planning Code, Section 1004.3*)
☐ Cultural Districts (*Charter, Section 4.135 & Board Rule 3.23*)
☐ Mills Act Contract (*Government Code, Section 50280*)
☐ Designation for Significant/Contributory Buildings (*Planning Code, Article 11*)

Please send the Planning Department/Commission recommendation/determination to Brent Jalipa at Brent.Jalipa@sfgov.org.

From: [Maurice Rivers](#)
To: [Jalipa, Brent \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Chan, Connie \(BOS\)](#); [Dorsey, Matt \(BOS\)](#); [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#); [Engardio, Joel \(BOS\)](#); [Mandelman, Rafael \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Opposition to Proposed Paid Parking Policy in Golden Gate Park (June 2025)
Date: Thursday, June 19, 2025 10:32:42 PM

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To the SF Budget & Appropriations Committee / Board of Supervisors,

Respectfully, on behalf of the OMI Cultural Participation Project, I hope that you will reject the proposed policy to enforce paid parking in Golden Gate Park.

I understand the department is under pressure to raise funds and manage traffic, but placing that financial burden on park visitors (many of whom are low-income families, elders, and essential workers) is not the path forward. For communities like the ones we serve in District 11, the park isn't just green space: it's one of the last remaining places where people can gather, heal, celebrate, and simply breathe without worrying about what it costs.

Adding parking fees may seem like a small ask to some, but for folks already juggling rent, bills, and rising transportation costs, it's one more barrier that quietly tells them: this space isn't for you.

We also have to be honest about the context we're all in right now. The recent unraveling of the San Francisco Parks Alliance, and the troubling financial mismanagement tied to it (under the direct oversight of SF Rec & Parks), has eroded a lot of public trust. Many residents are wondering: if our parks funding is in trouble, how did it get that way? And why are working families the ones expected to plug the gap?

It's hard to support new fees, when accountability around past finances is still unclear. Trust, once broken, needs to be rebuilt before asking everyday San Franciscans to pay more for what should be public, equitable space.

I'd love to see the department explore more creative, community-informed alternatives. Perhaps tiered pricing models based on income, targeted fundraising from the private sector, or deeper investment in MUNI access to the park. There are solutions that don't involve charging a grandmother from the OMI or Excelsior to park, so she can attend her grandchild's birthday picnic.

We remain committed to working with City departments & partners to create an inclusive, sustainable San Francisco. But we can't get there by pricing out the very people who built this city's spirit, so please reject this proposed measure and keep Golden Gate Park accessible for all.

Sincerely,

Maurice Rivers

Executive Director

OMI Cultural Participation Project

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Executive Director, OMI Cultural Participation Project

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Subject: Livable City supports Recreation and Parks" budget and revenue proposals, and R&P support community stewardship
Date: Friday, June 20, 2025 10:11:06 AM

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Dear Supervisors,

As the City budget shrinks, it's crucial to preserve essential services for San Franciscans. Access to green spaces for active recreation, socializing, and quiet enjoyment of nature is essential for our physical and mental health. Public parks allow us to exercise our bodies, relax and reduce stress, and connect with people. Research shows we are biophilic by nature, and being around trees and plants is essential to human well-being.

We have reviewed the Recreation and Parks budget proposals, and are impressed by how the department has sought to preserve essential services consistent with San Francisco's equity, health, and environmental goals.

We are municipalists, and believe that City government should play a robust role in providing the public infrastructure and services essential for human and biospheric well-being. However it is important to distinguish between public goods, which should be provided to equitably and at high quality free of charge, and services which ought to be publicly provided on a fee-for-service or cost-recovery basis. The latter include services which have high costs, generate negative externalities, make large demands on limited resources. Everyone should be able to access green and well-maintained parks and open spaces within a short walk of one's home, and enjoy ample opportunities for recreation, connection with nature, and structured and unstructured play. However storing one's private car in a public park is not a public good. Cars are large and space in parks is limited. Cars create health, safety, and environmental liabilities for other users of public space. Charging for parking is both fair and effective. It recovers some of the public cost of providing and maintaining automobile infrastructure, reduces conflicts over limited space, and encourages people to choose sustainable transportation alternatives more often. We have been urging SFMTA, which has chosen to cut essential transit and sustainable mobility while refusing to consider greater cost recovery for private car storage, to follow Recreation and Parks's equitable and sustainable approach. Greater cost-recovery for golf courses is also fair - golf courses require enormous amounts of public space, water, chemicals, and maintenance and serve relatively few users.

San Francisco's park system is excellent – something we should all be proud of, and a model for how we should deliver other public services. It is made possible by the diligence of Recreation and Parks staff, and R&P staffing should not be cut. Thousands of San Franciscans contribute their time and their money to caring for and improving parks and natural areas. Stewardship of public places is good for us individually - it gets us outdoors moving our bodies. It builds community. It is good for the city as a whole, including the native plants and animals we share this place with. Community stewardship of public places is far more effective with city support, including staff support (gardeners, natural resource specialists, and the community garden program, etc), design, planning, and administrative support from professional staff, and grants which can be matched with donations, philanthropy, and volunteer labor and expertise. Community stewardship has taken a hit in the last year from corruption in the Community Challenge Grant program and the collapse of San Francisco Parks Alliance. It's essential that the City continue supporting community stewardship through its programs, Recreation and Parks' partnership division, and making grants available to community groups with minimal rigamarole. Even though budget times are tough, the City should do more, not less, to support community stewardship, understanding that it's an investment rather than an expense.

The R&P budget proposal is equitable and sustainable, maintains essential services for San Franciscans, and preserves the jobs of hard-working and effective public employees. It deserves your full support.

Sincerely,

Tom Radulovich
Livable City

From: [Sonya Dreizler](#)
To: [Major, Erica \(BOS\)](#); [Jalipa, Brent \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [ChenStaff](#)
Subject: Budget Public Comment
Date: Friday, June 20, 2025 3:06:57 PM

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Hello Budget Committee, and CCing Supervisor Chen (my supervisor),

I came to the budget committee meeting today to voice my support for Rec & Park. I arrived at 10am and had to leave before 2pm so did not get to provide comment in person. Below is a copy of my 1 minute of remarks I prepared. Thank you for including them in your consideration.

Kindly,
Sonya

My name is Sonya Dreizler and I'm here to urge full financial support for Rec & Park programs. I have lived in The City for 23 years and raised a family here for the last 15 of those. When my kids were little we saw lots of families leave for the suburbs because they wanted a backyard, or more community, or they wanted their kids to join a swim team.

Like many other families, my family stayed. And Rec & Park has offered all of those amenities - and more - to our kids.

— The parks offer a **collective backyard** for all city families.

— The programs - from art classes to rock climbing, summer camps to sports teams (even a **swim team!**) - are amazing for both kids and adults.

— And the sense of **community** - though hard to articulate - may be the most valuable thing Rec & Park provides. All over the city, my kids see people they know - from Rec & Park baseball teams, art camp, swim lessons, or Camp Mather. And the instructors and park staff know and look out for all the kids.

In a busy and increasingly tech focused city, Rec & Park programs and people foster *in real life* community and a deep sense of belonging. Please fully fund these people, programs, and places that make The City a great place to live.

Sonya Dreizler

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From: [Tom Radulovich](#)
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Subject: Livable City supports Recreation and Parks" budget and revenue proposals, and R&P support community stewardship
Date: Friday, June 20, 2025 4:00:49 PM

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Dear Supervisors,

As the City budget shrinks, it's crucial to preserve essential services for San Franciscans. Access to green spaces for active recreation, socializing, and quiet enjoyment of nature is essential for our physical and mental health. Public parks allow us to exercise our bodies, relax and reduce stress, and connect with people. Research shows we are biophilic by nature, and being around trees and plants is essential to human well-being.

We have reviewed the Recreation and Parks budget proposals, and are impressed by how the department has sought to preserve essential services consistent with San Francisco's equity, health, and environmental goals.

We are municipalists, and believe that City government should play a robust role in providing the public infrastructure and services essential for human and biospheric well-being. However it is important to distinguish between public goods, which should be provided to equitably and at high quality free of charge, and services which ought to be publicly provided on a fee-for-service or cost-recovery basis. The latter include services which have high costs, generate negative externalities, make large demands on limited resources. Everyone should be able to access green and well-maintained parks and open spaces within a short walk of one's home, and enjoy ample opportunities for recreation, connection with nature, and structured and unstructured play. However storing one's private car in a public park is not a public good. Cars are large and space in parks is limited. Cars create health, safety, and environmental liabilities for other users of public space. Charging for parking is both fair and effective. It recovers some of the public cost of providing and maintaining automobile infrastructure, reduces conflicts over limited space, and encourages people to choose sustainable transportation alternatives more often. We have been urging SFMTA, which has chosen to cut essential transit and sustainable mobility while refusing to consider greater cost recovery for private car storage, to follow Recreation and Parks's equitable and sustainable approach. Greater cost-recovery for golf courses is also fair - golf courses require enormous amounts of public space, water, chemicals, and maintenance and serve relatively few users.

San Francisco's park system is excellent – something we should all be proud of, and a model for how we should deliver other public services. It is made possible by the diligence of Recreation and Parks staff, and R&P staffing should not be cut. Thousands of San Franciscans contribute their time and their money to caring for and improving parks and natural areas. Stewardship of public places is good for us individually - it gets us outdoors moving our bodies. It builds community. It is good for the city as a whole, including the native plants and animals we share this place with. Community stewardship of public places is far more effective with city support, including staff support (gardeners, natural resource specialists, and the community garden program, etc), design, planning, and administrative support from professional staff, and grants which can be matched with donations, philanthropy, and volunteer labor and expertise. Community stewardship has taken a hit in the last year from corruption in the Community Challenge Grant program and the collapse of San Francisco Parks Alliance. It's essential that the City continue supporting community stewardship through its programs, Recreation and Parks' partnership division, and making grants available to community groups with minimal rigamarole. Even though budget times are tough, the City should do more, not less, to support community stewardship, understanding that it's an investment rather than an expense.

The R&P budget proposal is equitable and sustainable, maintains essential services for San Franciscans, and preserves the jobs of hard-working and effective public employees. It deserves your full support.

Sincerely,

Tom Radulovich
Livable City

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 2, 2025
To: Planning Department / Commission
From: Brent Jalipa, Clerk of the Budget and Appropriations Committee
Subject: Board of Supervisors Legislation Referral - File No. 250617
Authorizing Paid Parking in Golden Gate Park

- ☒ California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination
(*California Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 et seq.*)
 - ☒ Ordinance / Resolution
 - ☐ Ballot Measure
- ☐ Amendment to the Planning Code, including the following Findings:
(*Planning Code, Section 302(b): 90 days for Planning Commission review*)
 - ☐ General Plan ☐ Planning Code, Section 101.1 ☐ Planning Code, Section 302
- ☐ Amendment to the Administrative Code, involving Land Use/Planning
(*Board Rule 3.23: 30 days for possible Planning Department review*)
- ☐ General Plan Referral for Non-Planning Code Amendments
(*Charter, Section 4.105, and Administrative Code, Section 2A.53*)
(Required for legislation concerning the acquisition, vacation, sale, or change in use of City property; subdivision of land; construction, improvement, extension, widening, narrowing, removal, or relocation of public ways, transportation routes, ground, open space, buildings, or structures; plans for public housing and publicly-assisted private housing; redevelopment plans; development agreements; the annual capital expenditure plan and six-year capital improvement program; and any capital improvement project or long-term financing proposal such as general obligation or revenue bonds.)
- ☐ Historic Preservation Commission
 - ☐ Landmark (*Planning Code, Section 1004.3*)
 - ☐ Cultural Districts (*Charter, Section 4.135 & Board Rule 3.23*)
 - ☐ Mills Act Contract (*Government Code, Section 50280*)
 - ☐ Designation for Significant/Contributory Buildings (*Planning Code, Article 11*)

Please send the Planning Department/Commission recommendation/determination to Brent Jalipa at Brent.Jalipa@sfgov.org.



To: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
From: Sophia Kittler, Mayor's Budget Director
Date: May 30, 2025
Re: Mayor's FY 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 Budget Submission

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Madam Clerk,

In accordance with City and County of San Francisco Charter, Article IX, Section 9.100, the Mayor's Office hereby submits the Mayor's proposed budget by May 30th, corresponding legislation, and related materials for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 and FY 2026-27.

In addition to the Mayor's Proposed FY 2025-26 and FY 2026-27 Budget Book, the following items are included in the Mayor's submission:

- Proposed Interim Budget and Annual Appropriation Ordinance (AAO)
- Proposed Interim Annual Salary Ordinance (ASO)
- Proposed Budget and Annual Appropriation Ordinance (AAO)
- Proposed Annual Salary Ordinance (ASO)
- Administrative Provisions for both, but separate documents of the AAO and ASO, in tracked changes, and on pleading paper
- Proposed Budget for the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure
- A Transfer of Function letter detailing the transfer of positions from one City department to another
- An Interim Exception letter to the ASO
- PUC Capital Amendment and Debt Authorization
- Prop J Certification Letters
- A letter addressing funding levels for consumer price index increases for nonprofit corporations or public entities for the coming two fiscal years
- 40 pieces of trailing legislation
- Memo to the Board President requesting for 30-day rule waivers on ordinances

Please note the following:

- Technical adjustments to the June 1 budget are being prepared, but are not submitted with this set of materials.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "SK", with a green checkmark to the right.

Sophia Kittler
Mayor's Budget Director

cc: Members of the Board of Supervisors
Budget & Legislative Analyst's Office
Controller

No	DEPT	Item	Description	Type of Legislation	File #
1	ADM	Code Amendment	Amending the Administrative Code to modify the fees for the use of City Hall	Ordinance	250591
2	ADM	Code Amendment	Amending the Administrative Code to transfer responsibilities for oversight of the collection of sexual orientation and gender identity data from the City Administrator to the Human Rights Commission and removing obsolete reporting requirements	Ordinance	250593
3	ADM	Code Amendment	Amending the Administrative Code to clarify the status of the Treasure Island Development Authority ("TIDA") as a City department	Ordinance	250594
4	ADM	Continuing Prop J	Convention Facilities Management	Resolution	250615
5	ADM	Continuing Prop J	Security Services for RED Buildings	Resolution	250615
6	ADM	Continuing Prop J	Custodial Services for RED Buildings	Resolution	250615
7	ADM	Continuing Prop J	Security Guard Service at Central Shops	Resolution	250615
8	BOS	Continuing Prop J	Budget and Legislative Analyst Services	Resolution	250615
9	CON	Access Line Tax	Resolution concurring with the Controller's establishment of the Consumer Price Index for 2025, and adjusting the Access Line Tax by the same rate.	Resolution	250612
10	CON	Code Amendment	Amending the Administrative Code to eliminate the Budget Savings Incentive Fund	Ordinance	250595
11	CON	Neighborhood Beautification and Graffiti Clean-up Fund Tax	Adopting the Neighborhood Beautification and Graffiti Clean-up Fund Tax designation ceiling for tax year 2025	Ordinance	250596
12	DBI	DBI Fee Changes	Amending the Building, Subdivision, and Administrative Codes to adjust fees charged by the Department of Building Inspection and to establish Subfunds within the Building Inspection Fund; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act	Ordinance	250592
13	DEC	Early Care and Education	Modifying the baseline funding requirements for early care and	Ordinance	250597

		Commercial Rents Tax Baseline	education programs in Fiscal Years (FYs) 2025-2026 and 2026-2027, to enable the City to use the interest earned from the Early Care and Education Commercial Rents Tax for those baseline programs		cont'd 250597
14	DPH	State Recurring Grants FY25-36	Authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of Recurring State grant funds by the San Francisco Department of Public Health for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026	Resolution	250618
15	DPH	CCE Expansion Grant	Grant Agreement - California Department of Social Services - Community Care Expansion Program - Anticipated Revenue to the City \$9,895,834	Resolution	250619
16	DPH	Code Amendment	Various Codes - Environmental Health Permit, Fee, and Penalties Revisions	Ordinance	250606
17	DPH	HHIP Grant	Delegation of 9.118 Authority - Accept and Expend Grant - San Francisco Health Authority, a local governmental entity doing business as the San Francisco Health Plan ("Health Plan" or "SFHP") - Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program ("HHIP") Expanding San Francisco Department of Public Health Recuperative Care Community Supports - \$2,489,698.63	Resolution	250620
18	DPH	IPP Grant	Delegation of 9.118 Authority - Accept and Expend Grant - San Francisco Health Authority, a local governmental entity doing business as the San Francisco Health Plan ("Health Plan" or "SFHP") - Incentive Payment Program ("IPP") San Francisco Department of Public Health Epic Enhancement Implementation Project - \$6,000,000	Resolution	250621
19	DPH	Patient Revenues	Amending the Health Code to set patient rates for services provided by the Department of Public Health (DPH), for Fiscal Years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027; and authorizing DPH to waive or reduce fees to meet the needs of low-income patients through its	Resolution Ordinance	250607

			provision of charity care and other discounted payment programs		cont'd 250607
20	DPH	Continuing Prop J	Healthcare Security at Primary Care Clinics	Resolution	250615
21	DPW	DPW Fee Changes	Public Works, Subdivision Codes - Fee Modification and Waiver	Ordinance	250608
22	DPW	Continuing Prop J	Yard Operations and Street Tree Nursery	Resolution	250615
23	HOM	Continuing Prop J	Security Services	Resolution	250615
24	HOM	Continuing Prop J	Homelessness and Supportive Housing security services	Resolution	250615
25	HOM	Homelessness and Supportive Housing Fund	Approving the FYs 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 Expenditure Plan for the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing Fund	Resolution	250613
26	HOM	Our City, Our Home Homelessness Gross Receipts Tax	Funding Reallocation - Our City, Our Home Homelessness Gross Receipts Tax - Services to Address Homelessness - \$88,495,000 Plus Future Revenue Through FY 2027-28	Ordinance	250609
27	LIB	Friends of the Library A&E	Annual Accept & Expend legislation for the SFPL's Friends of the Library Fund	Resolution	250614
28	MOHCD	Continuing Prop J	Treeline Security Inc services for City-owned properties in predevelopment for affordable housing sites	Resolution	250615
29	OCII	OCII Budget Resolution	Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure, operating as Successor Agency to the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget	Resolution	250611
30	OCII	OCII Interim Budget Resolution	Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure, operating as Successor Agency to the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, Fiscal Year 2025-26 Interim Budget	Resolution	250610
31	PDR	Crankstart Foundation Grant A&E	Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Immigration Defense Unit - Crankstart Foundation - Amendment to the Annual Salary Ordinance for FYs 2024-25 and 2025-26 - \$3,400,000	Ordinance	250598
32	POL	Code Amendment	Registration Fees and Fingerprint ID Fund	Ordinance	250599
33	PUC	Fixed Budget Amendment	Continues waiving certain small business first-year permit, license, and business registration fees	Ordinance	250602

34	REC	Bobo Estate A&E	Accept and Expend Bequest - Estate of William Benjamin Bobo - Benches, Park Furnishings and Park Improvements Across San Francisco - \$3,600,000	Resolution	250616
35	REC	Code Amendment	Amending the Park Code to authorize the Recreation and Park Department to charge fees for reserving tennis/pickleball courts at locations other than the Golden Gate Park Tennis Center; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act	Ordinance	250603
36	REC	Authorizing Paid Parking in Golden Gate Park	Authorizing the Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to set parking rates in Golden Gate Park in accordance with Park Code provisions that authorize SFMTA rate-setting on park property; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act	Resolution	250617
37	REC	Code Amendment	PUC Cost Recovery Fee	Ordinance	250604
38	REC	Code Amendment	Scholarship Recovery Fee	Ordinance	250605
39	REG	Continuing Prop J	Assembly and mailing of vote-by-mail ballot packets	Resolution	250615
40	SHF	Continuing Prop J	Jail Food Service	Resolution	250615

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DANIEL LURIE
MAYOR

To: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
From: Sophia Kittler, Mayor's Budget Director
Date: May 30, 2025
Re: Authorizing Paid Parking in Golden Gate Park

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Resolution authorizing the Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to set parking rates in Golden Gate Park in accordance with Park Code provisions that authorize SFMTA rate-setting on park property; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act."

Should you have any questions, please email Adam Thongsavat at adam.thongsavat@sfgov.org.