[Accept-Expend Federal Grant]

Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$200,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy for the Solar America Initiative in order to fund technical consultants, the development and publication of outreach materials and City staff time over a two-year period for the purpose of energy reduction.

WHEREAS, Based on the evaluation of responses to a request for proposal, the U.S Department of Energy has selected the Department of the Environment's Energy Program to be the recipient of \$200,000 in funding; and,

WHEREAS, In 2001 San Francisco voters overwhelmingly approved a landmark \$100 million bond initiative to pay for solar panels, energy efficiency and wind turbines for public facilities; and,

WHEREAS, In 2002 Mayor Willie Brown and the San Francisco Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance committing the City and County of San Francisco to make significant greenhouse gas reductions, far exceeding the targets in the Kyoto Protocol; and,

WHEREAS, In 2004 SF Environment and the San Francisco Public Utilities

Commission released a "Climate Action Plan for San Francisco" identifying transportation,
energy efficiency, renewable energy, and solid waste measures that could achieve reductions
sufficient to meet this target; and,

WHEREAS, The city, as part of the "Climate Action Plan for San Francisco", wants to make it easier, quicker and cheaper for home and building owners to install solar; and,

WHEREAS, This grant would assist in identification of solar providers willing to offer preferential installation rates to aggregated residential and small and medium-sized business customers, and/or third-party solar installers who would finance and install solar power systems on property owned by private-sector customers; and,

WHEREAS, This grant will assist in accessing the technical feasibility of solar installations including preliminary sizing, siting and costing of potential PV systems, and would be applied specifically to the interested subgroup of private schools and large commercial potential solar customers; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco's targeted commercial outreach program, which endeavors to reach out to the 200 largest commercial potential solar customers in the first two years of the program, will be viewed as the first stage of a broader commercial outreach program to be rolled out to the rest of the sector, with the goal of reaching 10% of all commercial buildings in the City by 2015; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco's proposed aggregation program, if successful, will offer a model that can be applied by other jurisdictions interested in helping smaller customers access more attractive solar prices, and therefore attract more solar customers; and,

WHEREAS, The grant does not require an ASO amendment; and,

WHEREAS, This grant includes \$18,182 for indirect costs, as allowed by the funding source; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of the Department of the Environment to accept and expend funding in the amount of \$200,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy in order to fund technical consultants, the development and publication of outreach materials and City staff time over a two-year period for the purpose of energy reduction.

Recommended:

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Approved: <u>///////////</u>

Mayor

**Approved** 



Controller, Grant Division



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October 23, 2007 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Chu, Maxwell,

Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval Excused: 1 - McGoldrick

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 23, 2007 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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or Gavin Newsom