

1 **[San Francisco International Airport Expansion]**

2 URGING THE SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF
3 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION TO
4 CONDUCT AN OPEN, COMPLETE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED
5 AIRPORT EXPANSION THAT ENCOURAGES BROAD PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND TO
6 HOLD EARLY AND OPEN EIS/R SCOPING HEARINGS; URGING A DRAFT EIS/R THAT
7 ANALYZES IN DETAIL ALL PROPOSED IMPACTS OF THE PROJECT; AND URGING THE
8 SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO PROVIDE ALL INFORMATION AND
9 FUNDING NECESSARY TO ANALYZE A RUNWAY CONFIGURATION PLAN THAT USES
10 THE MINIMUM NECESSARY BAY FILL.

11 WHEREAS, The proposal by San Francisco International Airport (SFIA) to reconfigure its
12 runways on fill in San Francisco Bay is one of the largest and most visible projects of its type in
13 Bay Area history, and could have significant impacts on the region's citizens and environment;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, The Airport's proposal has already generated great interest and debate
16 throughout the entire Bay Area region; and

17 WHEREAS, The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and California
18 Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) regulations require that a project of this size, scope, and
19 impact receive the most thorough and comprehensive environmental review; and

20 WHEREAS, Following those regulations precisely also provides the best route to
21 develop public confidence in the analysis of a project and in the ultimate agency
22 recommendations; and

23 WHEREAS, NEPA and CEQA call for scoping meetings that invite public comment on
24 the focus and content of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Review (EIS/R), and
25 "stakeholder" sessions convened by SFIA last year should not be considered a substitute for

1 extensive, early public scoping hearings sponsored by the lead state and federal agencies;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Bay has been reduced in size by one-third from fill and
4 other degradation of the shoreline, and has suffered significant degradation; and

5 WHEREAS, The enormous fill proposed by SFIA and proposed wetlands mitigations
6 could have significant effects on water quality, hydrology, habitat and other impacts on the
7 Bay; and

8 WHEREAS, Some combination of technological, operational and other transportation
9 enhancements could meet the region's need for efficient and integrated transportation with
10 lower impacts; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
12 urges the Planning Department's Office of Environmental Review (OER) and the Federal
13 Aviation Administration (FAA) to conduct an environmental review of the proposed Airport
14 expansion and runway reconfiguration that is complete, open and encourages broad public
15 participation; and be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That Board of Supervisors urges the OER and FAA to hold
17 early public scoping hearings to help lead agencies review the scope of the project and to
18 capture all issues of concern and that such hearings should be well-publicized and held at
19 locations throughout the Bay Area in advance of preparing a draft EIS/R; and be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That Board of Supervisors urges the OER and FAA to be
21 diligent in their efforts to involve the public by providing broad and early notice of public
22 meetings and by making environmental documents easily available; and be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the draft EIS/R include a complete, accurate and
24 consistent description of the project and its primary objectives to make the EIS/R useful and to
25 allow evaluation of lower impact alternatives that attain that objective; and be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the draft EIS/R that analyze in detail all impacts of the
2 proposed project to assess their significance, including but not limited to impacts on air quality,
3 water quality, Bay hydrology, species and their habitat, noise, traffic, recreation and also
4 analyze the cumulative impacts of the project on the community and the Bay; and be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the draft EIS/R assess all reasonable alternatives to
6 reconfiguring runways on new Bay fill, including but not limited to better use of other regional
7 airport capacity, creating other transportation alternatives, making technical and operational
8 improvements at SFIA, and instituting demand management strategies; and be it

9 FURTHER RESOLVED, That Board of Supervisor urges the SFIA to provide the OER
10 and FAA with all information and funding necessary to analyze a runway reconfiguration plan
11 that uses the minimum necessary Bay fill, in addition to evaluating a “no action” alternative.

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Resolution

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Resolution urging the San Francisco Planning Department's Office of Environment Review and the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct an open, complete environmental review of the proposed Airport expansion that encourages broad public participation and to hold early and open EIS/R scoping hearings; urging a draft EIS/R that analyzes in detail all proposed impacts of the project; and urging the San Francisco International Airport to provide all information and funding necessary to analyze a runway configuration plan that uses the minimum necessary bay fill.

July 6, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 9 - Leno, Newsom, Yaki, Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz,
Kaufman

Absent: 2 - Teng, Yee

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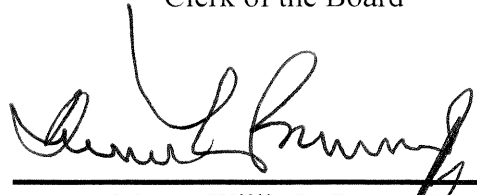
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on July 6, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.