

SAN FRANCISCO  
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 16-069

WHEREAS, The Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSC) was established by Division 44, Part 1 of the Public Resources Code of the State of California (Section 75200 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, The AHSC Program was developed and is administered by the State of California's Strategic Growth Council, which adopted the 2015-2016 AH Guidelines, dated December 17, 2015 (the Guidelines); and

WHEREAS, The Guidelines state that the State of California's Department of Housing and Community Development shall implement the transportation, housing and infrastructure component of the AHSC Program; and

WHEREAS, The AHSC Program provides grants and loans to applicants identified through a competitive process for the development of projects that, per the Guidelines, will achieve greenhouse gas reductions and benefit disadvantaged communities through increased accessibility to affordable housing, employment centers and key destinations via low-carbon transportation; and

WHEREAS, The application selection and scoring criteria in the Guidelines state that additional points will be awarded to joint applications from a housing developer and a public agency that has authority over public transit or transportation infrastructure, such as the SFMTA; and

WHEREAS, The AHSC Program requires that joint applicants for a project will be held jointly and severally liable for completion of such project; and

WHEREAS, Mercy Housing, Inc. has asked SFMTA to be a joint applicant for its projects located at 455 Fell Street, San Francisco (the Parcel O Project), and at 480 Eddy Street (the Yosemite Project); and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA plans to perform pedestrian improvements in the vicinity of the Parcel O Project and the Yosemite Project (the SFMTA work), and will receive a portion of any grant funds awarded for the SFMTA work; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA does not have the authority under the Charter to assume liability for completing affordable housing projects; therefore, in order for the City to make such a commitment, the Board of Supervisors must agree to assume such liability for the City and may delegate the authority to SFMTA to make such a commitment on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department has determined that the Parcel O Project complies with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.) (CEQA), as explained in Planning Commission Motion 19544, dated January 7, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department has issued a categorical exemption under CEQA for the Yosemite Project, dated May 25, 2016; and

WHEREAS, On April 1, 2014, the SFMTA Board adopted Resolution No. 14-044, which approved the establishment of no parking zones on Oak Street for the construction of sidewalk bulbs in the vicinity of the Parcel O Project, and found that the construction of the sidewalk bulbs was categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA (Class 1(c)(9) - changes in traffic and parking regulations where such changes do not establish a higher speed limit and/or result in more than a negligible increase in the use of the street); and

WHEREAS, On June 16, 2015, the SFMTA Board adopted Resolution No. 15-085, which approved the establishment of no stopping zones for sidewalk widening and a pedestrian refuge island, both in the vicinity of the Parcel O Project, and found that these transportation projects were categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA (Class 1(c)(9) - changes in traffic and parking regulations where such changes do not establish a higher speed limit and/or result in more than a negligible increase in the use of the street); and

WHEREAS, On September 5, 2014, the SFMTA, under delegation from the Planning Department, determined that the extension of red zones in the vicinity of the Yosemite Project were categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA (Class 1(c)(9) - changes in traffic and parking regulations where such changes do not establish a higher speed limit and/or result in more than a negligible increase in the use of the street); and

WHEREAS, On May 24, 2016, the SFMTA, under delegation from the Planning Department, determined that the construction of sidewalk bulb-outs in the extended red zones in the vicinity of the Yosemite Project were categorically exempt from environmental review under CEQA (Class 1(c)(9) - changes in traffic and parking regulations where such changes do not establish a higher speed limit and/or result in more than a negligible increase in the use of the street); and

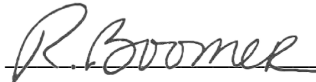
WHEREAS, The CEQA-related documents are on file with the Secretary of the SFMTA Board; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The SFMTA Board of Directors recommends that the Board of Supervisors delegate to the SFMTA on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco, the authority to execute grant applications, grant agreements, and related documents under the State of California's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program as a joint applicant with Mercy Housing, Inc. for the project at 455 Fell Street, San Francisco, and with the Tenderloin

Neighborhood Development Corporation for the project at 480 Eddy Street, on the condition that the Board of Supervisors authorize the City to assume any joint and several liability for completion of the projects required by the terms of any grant(s) awarded under the AHSC Program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That in accordance with any such delegation by the Board of Supervisors, the SFMTA Board authorizes the SFMTA to accept and expend the grant funds for the SFMTA work should the City be awarded the grant(s) and execute and deliver any documents that are necessary or advisable to complete the transactions contemplated.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 7, 2016.

  
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Secretary to the Board of Directors  
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency