

1 [Urging the Recreation and Parks Department, Municipal Transportation Agency, Real Estate
2 Division, and Public Works to Work Collaboratively to Design a Long-Term Plan to Re-
3 Imagine Twin Peaks]

4 **Resolution urging the Recreation and Parks Department, Municipal Transportation**
5 **Agency, the Real Estate Division, and Public Works to work collaboratively, on a long-**
6 **term Recovery and Revitalization plan, involving immediate neighbors and community**
7 **stakeholders, to collaboratively re-imagine Twin Peaks and identify resources to**
8 **improve accessibility, safety, cleanliness, environmental sustainability, and the ability**
9 **to build upon a welcoming environment for residents and tourists alike.**

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11 WHEREAS, Twin Peaks is an iconic part of San Francisco with lookouts offering
12 majestic, breathtaking views that is treasured by local residents and attracts hundreds of
13 visitors a year; and

14 WHEREAS, Twin Peaks is also part of 31 acres of natural area, serving as habitat to
15 local flora and fauna, including the Mission Blue Butterfly, a federally listed endangered
16 species; and

17 WHEREAS, The open space includes trail networks offering 360-views and the ability
18 to traverse between Islais Creek and Twin Peaks through the aptly named “Creeks to Peaks”
19 Trail; and

20 WHEREAS, In recent years, the Recreation and Parks Department and San Francisco
21 Municipal Transportation Authority (SFMTA) invested in capital projects to improve on
22 connectivity and access, such as the Twin Peaks Trail Renovation Project and in 2016
23 through 2020, the Figure 8 Redesign Project; and

24 WHEREAS, In March 2020, the Twin Peaks Boulevard was closed during the Shelter-
25 in-Place order allowing only visitors on foot or bike, however, due to growing complaints of

1 vandalism, litter, and loitering impacting neighborhoods, SFMTA worked with the Recreation
2 and Parks Department and San Francisco Police Department to develop a new proposal to
3 address some of these concerns; and

4 WHEREAS, Due to being a popular location, Twin Peaks and its neighboring
5 communities are often targeted for property crime and thefts; and was the location of tragic,
6 fatal shootings in 2016 and 2017; and

7 WHEREAS, In November 2020, the voters of San Francisco overwhelmingly supported
8 the Health and Recovery Bond, which included investments in parks, open space, nature
9 restoration, and

10 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Economic Recovery Task Force Final Report
11 published in October 2020 also recommends maximizing and optimizing the use of public
12 space to not only provide equitable access to recreation areas, but to also to aid in the city's
13 economic recovery by partnering with small businesses, the tourism industry, and arts and
14 cultural organizations; and

15 WHEREAS, While there have been prior visioning exercises over the past several
16 years, there has not been focused attention on developing ideas and improvements to
17 transform the tourist destination into a place that is safe, welcoming, clean, and a source of
18 local pride; now, therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors strongly urges the Recreation and Parks
20 Department to work in collaboration with SFMTA, Real Estate Division, Public Works, and
21 other Departments on determining a long-term Recovery and Revitalization plan and design to
22 bring investments to Twin Peaks that will offer more resources and amenities enhancing the
23 experience by improving accessibility, safety, cleanliness, environmental stewardship, and the
24 ability to build upon a welcoming environment for this internationally recognized destination;
25 and, be it

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors also urges the aforementioned
2 Departments to engage with immediate neighbors and homeowners; and neighboring
3 homeowner and neighborhood organizations including the Twin Peaks Improvement
4 Association, Midtown Terrace Homeowners Association, Forest Knolls, and Miraloma Park
5 Improvement Club; and community members in a collaborative visioning and design process
6 to address the safety and maintenance concerns of Twin Peaks and to ensure that it is a
7 place to be celebrated; and

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors encourages the Departments to
9 think creatively by enlisting the support of the tourism industry, the small business community,
10 the design and architectural community, foundations, and arts and cultural institutions to
11 develop a broad re-imagining of the potential future design and use of space in Twin Peaks;
12 and

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the creation of a Twin
14 Peaks visioning committee that will have balanced representation from neighbors, impacted
15 homeowners, including from the Twin Peaks Improvement Association and Midtown Terraces
16 Homeowners Association; and

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors supports the use of public land
18 for public purposes, and in enacting this Resolution, does not intend to express support for the
19 private use of public space at Twin Peaks without a robust public process; and

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges Departments to provide
21 regular updates to the Board about any progress made in the visioning projects, especially as
22 it pertains to any potential leases to outside entities; and

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors strongly urges the Departments
24 to work with State and Federal agencies on identifying resources and partnerships for
25 improvements; and

1 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requests the Recreation and
2 Parks Department and SFMTA to provide a written response to this Resolution providing a
3 timeline for initiating this plan.

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