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[Metal Halide Street Lighting]

URGING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMMISSION TO ADOPT THE MODIFICATIONS TO ITS STREET LIGHTING GUIDELINES CURRENTLY BEFORE IT AND PERMIT THE USE OF METAL HALIDE STREET LIGHTING AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO HIGH-PRESSURE SODIUM VAPOR STREET LIGHTING FOR LARGE DEVELOPMENT AREAS.

WHEREAS, The current policy of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) and the Department of Public Works is to permit the use of metal halide lighting as an alternative to high pressure sodium lamps only in special circumstances; and,

WHEREAS, Board of Supervisors Resolution Number 97-1139 urged the PUC to coordinate efforts to install white light sources or metal halide lamps in Chinatown, Union Square and Civic Center Plaza as Neighborhood Pilot Projects; and,

WHEREAS, Board of Supervisors Resolution Number 97-1140 urged the PUC to develop a long-term strategic plan to light the streets of San Francisco to increase pedestrian safety, commercial activity, and enhance civic beauty; and,

WHEREAS, Current research shows that using metal halide light sources at low light levels significantly improves human vision in nighttime environments, facilitating increased pedestrian safety, easier rendering of directional signs, and better color rendering, which enhances civic beauty; and,

WHEREAS, At its October 12th meeting, the PUC will consider a modification to its existing street lighting policy to permit the use of metal halide street lighting as an alternative to high pressure

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sodium vapor lighting for large development areas; now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the PUC to adopt the modifications to its street lighting guidelines currently before it and permit the use of metal halide street lighting as an alternative to high-pressure sodium vapor street lighting for large development areas.

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Resolution urging the Public Utilities Commission to adopt the modifications to its street lighting guidelines currently before it and permit the use of metal halide lighting as an alternative to high pressure sodium vapor street lighting for large development areas.

October 12, 1999 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

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

Yee

Absent: 2 - Katz, Yaki

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 12, 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.