

1 [Authorizing Expenditures - SoMa Community Stabilization Fund - \$919,954]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development to**
4 **expend the South of Market (SoMa) Community Stabilization Fund dollars in the**
5 **amount of \$919,954 to address various impacts of destabilization on residents and**
6 **businesses in SoMa from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020.**

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8 WHEREAS, On August 19, 2005, the Board of Supervisors approved Ordinance
9 No. 217-05 (the “Ordinance”), which, among other things, established a new Rincon Hill
10 Downtown Residential Mixed Use District; and

11 WHEREAS, The Ordinance added Planning Code, Section 418, which identifies a need
12 to mitigate the impacts of new development in the Rincon Hill area and establishes two new
13 fees: 1) the Rincon Hill Community Infrastructure Impact Fee, which provides specific
14 improvements, including community open spaces, pedestrian and streetscape improvements
15 and other facilities and services; and 2) a SoMa Community Stabilization Fee, which mitigates
16 impacts on affordable housing, economic and community development and community
17 cohesion in SoMa, as defined in San Francisco Planning Code, Section 401 (the area
18 bounded by Market Street to the north, Embarcadero to the east, King Street to the south, and
19 South Van Ness and Division to the west); and

20 WHEREAS, Both the Rincon Hill Community Infrastructure Impact Fee and the SoMa
21 Community Stabilization Fee are imposed on new residential development within the Rincon
22 Hill Downtown Residential Mixed Use District, as defined in Planning Code, Section 827 (the
23 area generally bounded by Folsom Street, the Bay Bridge, the Embarcadero, and Essex
24 Street); and

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1 WHEREAS, The Ordinance established two separate funds: 1) a Rincon Hill
2 Community Improvements Fund for the deposit of the Rincon Hill Community Infrastructure
3 Impact Fees collected; and 2) a SoMa Community Stabilization Fund for the deposit of SoMa
4 Community Stabilization Fees collected; and

5 WHEREAS, The money collected from the SoMa Community Stabilization Fee, along
6 with up to \$6,000,000 transferred from the Rincon Hill Community Improvements Impact
7 Fund, is to be deposited in the SoMa Community Stabilization Fund maintained by the
8 Controller, which will be used to address various impacts of destabilization on residents and
9 businesses in SoMa; and

10 WHEREAS, Under the Ordinance, the Board of Supervisors established the SoMa
11 Community Stabilization Fund Community Advisory Committee (SoMa CAC) to advise the
12 Mayor's Office of Community Development, now the Mayor's Office of Housing and
13 Community Development (MOHCD), and the Board of Supervisors on the uses of the Fund;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, On May 6, 2008, the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution
16 No. 216-08, creating the SoMa Community Stabilization Fund Strategic Plan and authorized
17 MOHCD to administer the Fund in accordance with the Strategic Plan; and

18 WHEREAS, The SoMa CAC and MOHCD staff worked collaboratively to issue a
19 request for proposals (RFP) that was released on March 4, 2019, consistent with the Strategic
20 Plan, for nonprofit organizations and businesses seeking assistance from the Fund; and

21 WHEREAS, A copy of the SoMa CAC Funding Recommendations resulting from the
22 RFP has been filed with the Clerk of the Board under File No. 190576, now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development is
2 hereby authorized to expend \$919,954 from the SoMa Community Stabilization Fund all in
3 accordance with the purposes and goals for the funding as generally set forth in the Strategic
4 Plan and the Funding Recommendations approved by the CAC and filed with the Clerk of the
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