

1 [Accept and Expend Funds - Retroactive - California Secretary of State - Accessibility Training
and Improving Polling Place Accessibility - \$60,380.03]

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3 **Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Elections to accept and expend**
4 **funds disbursed from the California Secretary of State for polling place accessibility in**
5 **accordance with the California Secretary of State’s Help America Vote Act Polling Place**
6 **Accessibility Training program in the amount of \$60,380.03 for the period of July 1,**
7 **2023, through June 30, 2025.**

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9 WHEREAS, On November 7, 2023, the California Secretary of State announced that
10 the state and federal governments had authorized new HAVA funding for polling place
11 accessibility; and

12 WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State has developed the Help America Vote
13 Act (HAVA) Polling Place Accessibility Training Program to comply with the HAVA
14 requirements for the improvement of the administration and accessibility of elections; and

15 WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State to encourage participation in the training
16 program, has made available a set amount of funds for each participating county to spend on
17 a defined range of surveying activities and materials and tools to make polling places more
18 accessible to voters; and

19 WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State has contracted with the company
20 BlueDAG to conduct regional polling place accessibility survey or training sessions in
21 November 2023 and tentatively in April and May 2024; and

22 WHEREAS, Department of Elections staff have not yet attended a regional training
23 session; and

1 WHEREAS, The Department of Elections must provide the Secretary of State with
2 detailed invoices prior to receiving reimbursement of funds expended in the course of the
3 HAVA Polling Place Accessibility program; and

4 WHEREAS, The California Secretary of State requires the Department of Elections
5 approval to accept and expend HAVA funding; and

6 WHEREAS, The funding terms prohibit including indirect costs for reimbursement; and

7 WHEREAS, The funds do not require an ASO amendment; and

8 WHEREAS, The Department of Elections may utilize the funds for expenditures that
9 occur after July 1, 2023 and through June 30, 2025, that are related to polling place
10 accessibility in accordance with HAVA; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the Department of Elections is hereby authorized to retroactively
12 accept and expends funds under the California Secretary of State’s HAVA Polling Place
13 Accessibility Training program in the amount of \$60,380.03 to improve polling place
14 accessibility; and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Director of the Department of Elections is authorized
16 to enter into an agreement with the California Secretary of State on behalf of the City and
17 County of San Francisco for the acceptance and expenditure of these funds.

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19 RECOMMENDED:

APPROVED:

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21 _____ /s/
22 John Arntz
23 Director of Elections

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Mayor

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25 Controller