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2 ANPR process regarding Pet Management in the GGNRA.]

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4 **requesting information on the ANPR process, documents showing the design,**  
5 **methodology, and protocols for analyzing Public Comment, the telephone survey, and**  
6 **any other Technical Information that will be supplied to the Federal panel for the ANPR**  
7 **process regarding Pet Management in the GGNRA.**

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9 WHEREAS, In 1979, after a thorough public process, the Golden Gate National  
10 Recreation Area (GGNRA) Citizen's Advisory Commission recommended a "voice control"  
11 policy for certain traditional areas of the GGNRA, a policy which was in place for over 20  
12 years; and

13 WHEREAS, The GGNRA recently declared the "voice control" policy null and void and  
14 initiated a Pet Management rulemaking process called Advanced Notice of Proposed  
15 Rulemaking (ANPR) to decide whether an exception to National Park Service (NPS)  
16 regulations requiring pets to be leashed would be granted; and

17 WHEREAS, The ANPR documentation indicated that the close of the ANPR public  
18 comment period was April 12, 2002; and

19 WHEREAS, NPS has recently initiated a separate ANPR telephone survey without  
20 notification to the public or stakeholders; and

21 WHEREAS, The design, methodology, and evaluation protocols of the telephone  
22 survey and public comment analysis will have a strong bearing on the results; and

23 WHEREAS, In response to private requests, Freedom of Information Requests, and  
24 public requests at the July 23 meeting of the Citizens Advisory Commission, NPS has  
25 declined to provide design, methodology, and protocol information; and

1           WHEREAS, The people of San Francisco expect their government to be conducted  
2 openly, as evidenced by the passage of the Sunshine Ordinance; and

3           WHEREAS, Changes in GGNRA's "voice control" policy would have serious impact on  
4 San Francisco's citizens and City parks; and

5           WHEREAS, San Franciscans are mindful of Federal Judge William Alsup's  
6 characterization of the GGNRA's lack of openness, when he said in April 2000, "The  
7 [GGNRA's] outreach was not for the purpose of receiving input . . . The outreach was a  
8 public-relations campaign to create the appearance that the National Park Service wanted the  
9 public's input." (Case No. C 00-0087 WHA, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, Filed  
10 00 Apr 25, US District Court, p. 15); now, therefore, be it

11           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the National Park Service, Golden  
12 Gate National Recreation Area, to make available to those requesting information on the  
13 ANPR process, documents showing the design, methodology, and protocols for analyzing the  
14 Public Comment, the telephone survey, and any other Technical Information that will be  
15 supplied to the Federal panel for the ANPR process regarding Pet Management in the  
16 GGNRA.

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