

1 [Board Response - Civil Grand Jury Report - Techs in the City]

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3 **Resolution responding to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court on the findings**  
4 **and recommendations contained in the 2024-2025 Civil Grand Jury Report, entitled**  
5 **“Techs in the City: Government’s Opportunity to Seize the AI Moment;” and urging the**  
6 **Mayor to cause the implementation of accepted findings and recommendations**  
7 **through his department heads and through the development of the annual budget.**  
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9 WHEREAS, Under California Penal Code, Section 933 et seq., the Board of  
10 Supervisors must respond, within 90 days of receipt, to the Presiding Judge of the Superior  
11 Court on the findings and recommendations contained in Civil Grand Jury Reports; and

12 WHEREAS, In accordance with California Penal Code, Section 933.05(c), if a finding or  
13 recommendation of the Civil Grand Jury addresses budgetary or personnel matters of a  
14 county agency or a department headed by an elected officer, the agency or department head  
15 and the Board of Supervisors shall respond if requested by the Civil Grand Jury, but the  
16 response of the Board of Supervisors shall address only budgetary or personnel matters over  
17 which it has some decision making authority; and

18 WHEREAS, Under San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 2.10(a), the Board of  
19 Supervisors must conduct a public hearing by a committee to consider a final report of the  
20 findings and recommendations submitted, and notify the current foreperson and immediate  
21 past foreperson of the Civil Grand Jury when such hearing is scheduled; and

22 WHEREAS, In accordance with San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 2.10(b),  
23 the Controller must report to the Board of Supervisors on the implementation of  
24 recommendations that pertain to fiscal matters that were considered at a public hearing held  
25 by a Board of Supervisors Committee; and

1           WHEREAS, The 2024-2025 Civil Grand Jury Report, entitled “Techs in the City:  
2   Government’s Opportunity to Seize the AI Moment” (“Report”) is on file with the Clerk of the  
3   Board of Supervisors in File No. 250647, which is hereby declared to be a part of this  
4   Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

5           WHEREAS, The Civil Grand Jury has requested that the Board of Supervisors respond  
6   to Finding No. F4, as well as Recommendation Nos. R4.1 and R4.3, contained in the subject  
7   Report; and

8           WHEREAS, Finding No. F4 states: “The Committee on Information Technology (COIT)  
9   is comprised mostly of non-technical leaders and has insufficient authority and influence over  
10   departments’ technology plans. As a result, it is falling short of its objective to streamline ICT  
11   policy and roadmapping in San Francisco, which threatens current and emerging technology  
12   initiatives alike;” and

13          WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R4.1 states: “By June 30, 2026, the city should  
14   enact an ordinance amending the Administrative Code to eliminate COIT and centralize a  
15   replacement advisory body under DT. This ordinance could be enacted through the customary  
16   legislative process established in the Charter. In the alternative, by December 31, 2025, the  
17   mayor and the board of supervisors should each recommend to the Commission Streamlining  
18   Task Force (established by Proposition E, November 2024) that it include COIT in an  
19   ordinance the Task Force would introduce to eliminate certain commissions;” and

20          WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R4.3 states: “By December 31, 2025, the city  
21   should pass an ordinance amending the Administrative Code to create a permanent seat on  
22   COIT for the emerging technologies director, pending its action related to Recommendation  
23   4.1;” and

24          WHEREAS, In accordance with California Penal Code, Section 933.05(c), the Board of  
25   Supervisors must respond, within 90 days of receipt, to the Presiding Judge of the Superior

1 Court on Finding No. F4, as well as Recommendation Nos. R4.1 and R4.3 contained in the  
2 subject Report; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports to the Presiding Judge of the  
4 Superior Court that they \_\_\_\_\_ with Finding No. F4 for the following reasons:  
5 \_\_\_\_\_; and, be it

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation  
7 No. R4.1 \_\_\_\_\_; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation  
9 No. R4.3 \_\_\_\_\_; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor to cause the  
11 implementation of the accepted findings and recommendations through his department heads  
12 and through the development of the annual budget.