

1 [Emergency Declaration - Design and Construction of Department of Homelessness and  
2 Supportive Housing’s Administrative Offices and Access Point - 440 Turk Street]

3 **Resolution declaring an emergency, and authorizing and directing the Director of**  
4 **Public Works, or designee thereof, to construct an access point to front-door services,**  
5 **case management, medical attention, and mental health counseling to individuals**  
6 **affected by homelessness at the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing**  
7 **property at 440 Turk Street, pursuant to Administrative Code, Section 6.60(a).**

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9 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco (“Board  
10 of Supervisors”), after careful study and consideration, has determined that there is a  
11 shortage of safe and sanitary housing within the City and County of San Francisco (“City”),  
12 particularly for no, low, and moderate income persons; and

13 WHEREAS, In Ordinance No. 57-16, enacted on April 22, 2016, the Board of  
14 Supervisors found that a significant number of persons within the City are without the ability to  
15 obtain shelter, and that the situation has resulted in a threat to the health and safety of those  
16 persons; for that reason, and based on factual findings set forth in that ordinance, the Board  
17 of Supervisors declared the existence of a shelter crisis in the City and County of San  
18 Francisco in accordance with California Government Code, Sections 8698 through 8698.2;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, In Ordinance No. 97-17, enacted May 17, 2017, the Board of Supervisors  
21 reaffirmed the findings of Ordinance No. 57-16, finding that a significant number of persons  
22 within the City continue to be without the ability to obtain shelter, and that the resulting threat  
23 to the health and safety of those persons continues; for that reason, the Board found that the  
24 City needed to expeditiously award contracts to complete repairs or improvements to a  
25 property designated for temporary housing; and

1           WHEREAS, In January 2017, there were 7,499 people experiencing homelessness in  
2 San Francisco, a 12% increase over the 2015 count and a 17% increase over the 2013 count,  
3 58% of whom were unsheltered, and 18% of whom are under the age of 25 years, and 31% of  
4 whom are over the age of 51 years with attendant deteriorating physical health, deteriorating  
5 mental health; and

6           WHEREAS, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (“HSH”) will be  
7 launching a coordinated entry system for adults experiencing homelessness in 2018; the  
8 property at 440 Turk Street (“Property”) will be a critical access point into the newly reformed  
9 homelessness response system; and

10           WHEREAS, In light of the findings of a continued and worsening shelter crisis, the high  
11 and increased number of individuals affected by homelessness, and continued and worsening  
12 threat to the health and safety of those persons affected by the crisis, the Board finds that the  
13 City must expeditiously offer resources to individuals experiencing homelessness; and

14           WHEREAS, This Board of Supervisors is authorized by San Francisco Administrative  
15 Code, Chapter 6, Section 6.60(a) to declare an emergency, and may direct any department  
16 head to perform any repair or other emergency work in any manner the Board determines to  
17 be in the best interests of the City; and

18           WHEREAS, HSH must better coordinate provision of resources to adults experiencing  
19 homelessness; and

20           WHEREAS, The Property will be a critical access point for HSH to administer the  
21 homelessness response system and better serve individuals experiencing homelessness; and

22           WHEREAS, Public Works intends to enter into one or more agreements to make  
23 renovations and repairs to the Property, so that it may thereafter operate as a access point  
24 that will provide “front door” services including laundry, meals, restrooms, showers, case  
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1 management, benefits coordination, medical care, and mental health counseling; now,  
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors finds and determines that the foregoing  
4 recitals are true and correct; and, be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby declares an emergency;  
6 and, be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs  
8 the Director of Public Works to work with City departments including the Department of  
9 Homelessness and Supportive Housing and do any and all things necessary or advisable to  
10 improve and repair the Property at 440 Turk Street to create an access point and supporting  
11 administrative offices to provide resources for persons experiencing homelessness; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That Public Works may enter into contracts to provide  
13 professional services and/or public works construction services to assist the City in the repair  
14 or improvement of the Property, without adherence to the requirements of Administrative  
15 Code, Chapters 6, 12A, 12B, 12C, and Chapters 14B; and, be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, That within thirty (30) days of the execution of any contract for  
17 design or public works construction services, the Director of Public Works shall provide the  
18 signed contract to the Clerk of the Board for inclusion in the official file.

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