

1 [Accept and Expend Regional Grant]

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3 Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment (SF Environment) to accept
4 and expend grant funds, in the amount of \$157,500 from the Bay Area Air Quality
5 Management District (BAAQMD) to assist taxi companies with grant funding to help
6 them offset the incremental costs associated with the purchase of 75 light-duty clean
7 air vehicle taxis.

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9 WHEREAS, After a competitive process BAAQMD has awarded funds to the City and
10 County of San Francisco to assist taxi operators to purchase cleaner, alternative-fueled and
11 high-efficiency vehicles; and,

12 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors for the City and County of San Francisco
13 adopted the Sustainability Plan for the City and County of San Francisco which states that
14 "[a]chieving and maintaining good air quality is crucial to the public health and economic
15 vitality of San Francisco" ; and,

16 WHEREAS, This grant supports Mayor Gavin Newsom's 2006 pledge to convert 100%
17 of San Francisco's taxi fleet to hybrid electric or alternative fuel vehicles by 2011; and,

18 WHEREAS, San Francisco has a fleet of 1,381 taxis citywide, and the average San
19 Francisco taxi travels 75,000-90,000 miles per year and emits approximately 50 tons of
20 greenhouse gases; and,

21 WHEREAS, Currently, 210 of the 1,381 taxis in San Francisco's taxi fleet are fueled by
22 compressed natural gas or are hybrid electric vehicles; and,

23 WHEREAS, Grant funding from this project will be work ordered to the Taxi
24 Commission who will disburse it to taxi companies; and,

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1 WHEREAS, Providing funds to assist taxi companies to purchase cleaner and more
2 efficient vehicles with more stringent emissions ratings will reduce motor vehicle emissions
3 from vehicles that drive up and down every street in San Francisco; and,

4 WHEREAS, A total of 75 clean air vehicle taxis will be purchased, increasing San
5 Francisco's green taxi fleet by more than one-third; and,

6 WHEREAS, This grant includes \$7,500 for indirect costs; and,

7 WHEREAS, This grant does not require an ASO amendment; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Director of the Department of the Environment for the City and
9 County of San Francisco is authorized to accept and expend \$157,500 from the Bay Area Air
10 Quality Management District.

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12 Recommended:

Approved: _____

Mayor

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Approved: _____

15 Department Head

Controller, Grant Division

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