

1 [Parks and Recreation Department assessment of staff and monetary resources needed to
2 maintain city parks.]

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4 **Resolution urging the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Parks and Recreation**
5 **Department to immediately undertake an assessment of staff and monetary resources**
6 **needed to reinvigorate and maintain the city’s parks at a level that promotes use and**
7 **pride in all neighborhoods of the city.**

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9 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors hold the green and open spaces which
10 constitute the parks of San Francisco as vital assets which contribute significantly to the
11 social, cultural, physical and economic health of our city; and

12 WHEREAS, The citizens of San Francisco have repeatedly expressed their desire for
13 clean, safe and beautiful parks; and,

14 WHEREAS, The need for clean, safe and well maintained parks has grown
15 commensurate with an increasing resident and visitor population; and,

16 WHEREAS, The need for local parks has grown as the ability of our citizens to exit the
17 city for recreation is thwarted by increased traffic congestion; and,

18 WHEREAS, Over the past decade our city parks have fallen into a state of
19 deterioration due to budget constraints, deferred maintenance, marked absence of
20 maintenance and enhancement standards for each and all of our parks; and,

21 WHEREAS, The citizens of San Francisco repeatedly express their disappointment
22 with the deteriorating condition of their parks; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Parks and Recreation
24 Commission and the Parks and Recreation Department to immediately undertake an

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1 assessment of staff and monetary resources needed to reinvigorate and maintain the city's
2 parks at a level that promotes use and pride in all neighborhoods of the city; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the assessment do the following:

- 4 1. Indicate what is the current staffing at each facility,
- 5 2. Propose a baseline of staff needed to maintain each city park and open space at a
6 minimum level based on professional standards for maintaining the features
7 associated with each park, and indicate a clear rationale (differentiation tasks and
8 frequencies, etc.) for different sizes and types of open spaces, e.g., mini parks vis-
9 à-vis public plazas.
- 10 3. Include a report on the current condition of each park
- 11 4. Include a report of the staff resources need to reinvigorate each park,
- 12 5. Include a report on the separate job classifications needed to fill the staff resource
13 need,
- 14 6. Include a report on proposed long-term maintenance and enhancement programs
15 and required staff allocation for each park, severally, based on the proposed
16 maintenance and staff standards.

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the draft of the assessment be presented for review and
18 comment to park groups and other stake holders in each of the eleven supervisorial districts;
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20 FURTHER RESOLVED, That a final report of the assessment results and its budgetary
21 impact be submitted to the Board of Supervisors not later than May 2004.

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