

1 [Supporting the Memorandum of Understanding Between LAFCo and SFPUC]

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3 **Resolution supporting the Memorandum of Understanding between the San Francisco**
4 **Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) and the San Francisco Public Utilities**
5 **Commission (SFPUC) for Fiscal Years 2023-2026.**

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7 WHEREAS, On December 9, 2022, the San Francisco Local Agency Formation
8 Commission (LAFCo) voted unanimously to authorize an \$800,000 Memorandum of
9 Understanding (MOU) with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) for Fiscal
10 Years 2022-2023 through 2025-2026; and

11 WHEREAS, On January 10, 2023, the MOU was presented to SFPUC Commissioners
12 for consideration and approval; and

13 WHEREAS, This MOU will enable LAFCo to study green bank financing, natural gas
14 decommissioning, battery storage, electric vehicle charging, and emerging clean energy
15 technologies to support the CleanPowerSF program in meeting the City’s climate goals; and

16 WHEREAS, The SFPUC and LAFCo sought feedback on the MOU from members of
17 the public and community organizations, who strongly supported prioritizing a natural gas
18 system decommissioning study and the potential green bank financing study; and

19 WHEREAS, A green bank financing study will involve identifying opportunities and
20 barriers to financing CleanPowerSF initiatives through a green bank, which will support and
21 build on the work underway in the San Francisco Reinvestment Working Group, which has
22 contracted with banking experts to produce a public bank governance and business plan for
23 the City and County of San Francisco; and

24 WHEREAS, The recent report from the Department of the Environment and UC
25 Berkeley on Funding San Francisco’s Climate Action Plan identified a green bank as essential

1 to amassing capital to decarbonize residential buildings and leveraging funding from the
2 federal Inflation Reduction Act, and this MOU will enable San Francisco to actualize San
3 Francisco’s 2021 Climate Action Plan (CAP) to reduce emissions by 61% below 1990 levels
4 by 2030; and

5 WHEREAS, The MOU will also assist San Francisco in meeting its CAP goal to have
6 all buildings emit zero emissions by 2040 through identifying challenges regarding the
7 decommissioning of natural gas infrastructure, and will study specific emerging clean energy
8 technologies; and

9 WHEREAS, The MOU will support work to identify opportunities and barriers to battery
10 storage installations across the City, and broader adoption of electric vehicles, meeting the
11 CAP goals to prepare our grid for resilience and shift to low-carbon modes of transportation;
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13 WHEREAS, Board of Supervisors Ordinance No. 146-07, requested that LAFCo
14 "monitor the implementation process and advise the SFPUC and the Board of Supervisors
15 regarding the progress of CCA development and implementation;" and

16 WHEREAS, LAFCo and the SFPUC previously maintained an MOU between 2009 and
17 2020 with \$2.1 million in funding for LAFCo to support the successful launch of
18 CleanPowerSF, conduct studies including how a local buildout of renewable energy projects
19 would create green jobs, and analyze various aspects of CleanPowerSF such as its
20 Integrated Resource Plan; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco
22 supports the MOU between SFPUC and LAFCo; and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
24 Francisco requests that LAFCo continue to monitor CleanPowerSF and advise the SFPUC

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1 and the Board of Supervisors regarding the implementation of CleanPowerSF and the results
2 of the studies produced through this MOU; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
4 Francisco hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to LAFCo
5 and the SFPUC Commissioners.

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