

1 **[Pedestrian Safety and Street Resurfacing]**

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3 **Resolution establishing a Pedestrian Safety and Street Resurfacing Working Group to**
4 **review existing and projected capital needs related to the backlog of pedestrian safety,**
5 **disability access, bicycle safety, street resurfacing and school area safety projects;**
6 **establishing the membership, staffing and scope of work for the Working Group; and**
7 **establishing August 1, 2001 as the date the Working Group will provide its**
8 **recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and the San Francisco County**
9 **Transportation Authority regarding existing and potential funding sources, including a**
10 **potential General Obligation bond issue, that are most appropriate to meet these capital**
11 **needs.**

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13 WHEREAS, Over the last decade San Francisco has experienced a significant increase
14 in congestion conditions on City streets; and

15 WHEREAS, Over the same period, as a result of increased street congestion, the
16 number of accidents and fatalities involving pedestrians and bicyclists has registered an
17 alarming increase; and

18 WHEREAS, People with disabilities and seniors are particularly vulnerable to these
19 unsafe or inaccessible conditions; and

20 WHEREAS, Pursuant to the recommendations of the San Francisco County
21 Transportation Authority's (Authority) Strategic Analysis Report (SAR) No: 97-3, a Traffic
22 Calming Working Group was created to help develop a policy for the implementation of
23 measures tending to the improvement of pedestrian safety conditions in the neighborhoods,
24 and establishing a pilot study in Bernal Heights; and

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1 WHEREAS, The Working Group has developed a number of specific recommendations
2 for improving pedestrian safety and bicycle safety conditions, including a list of the neediest
3 corridors in the city; and

4 WHEREAS, The latest Infrastructure Assessment Report, prepared by the Department
5 of Public Works in December of 1999, identified a backlog of over \$140 million in street
6 resurfacing, curb ramp construction, sidewalk repair, and street structure repair needs in San
7 Francisco and more recent estimates indicate that the backlog has increased; and

8 WHEREAS, It behooves the City to identify funding sources and proceed with the
9 maintenance and rehabilitation needs identified above, to avoid the need for complete
10 reconstruction later, at seven times the cost of rehabilitation; and

11 WHEREAS, Current transportation revenues, including the local half-cent sales tax for
12 transportation, are insufficient to address the backlog, and it is anticipated that, at the current
13 pace, Proposition B revenues for the above purposes will be depleted in 2007; and

14 WHEREAS, It is clear that the pace of repair of city streets, including pedestrian safety
15 programs such as the Department of Parking and Traffic's Livable Streets and School Area
16 Safety programs, is slowed down by lack of availability of funds, and that considerable
17 progress could be made in preventing unnecessary pedestrian and bicyclists' deaths and
18 injuries if additional funding was made available in the short and medium term; and

19 WHEREAS, It is critical, in order to ensure the success of any approach to the issue of
20 pedestrian and bicycle safety that the approach be sensitive to the particular character and
21 accessibility needs and desires of the affected neighborhoods; now therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors finds it urgent to address
23 the issue of the condition of City streets and the impact of street and sidewalk design on
24 pedestrian and bicyclists' safety and disability access; and be it further
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1 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby establishes the
2 Pedestrian Safety and Street Resurfacing Working Group (Pedestrian Working Group) to
3 advise the Board and the Authority; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Pedestrian Working Group shall consist of 11 members, each a
5 resident of one of San Francisco's 11 districts, appointed directly by their respective
6 Supervisor; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the Pedestrian Working Group, with staffing from the Authority and in
8 consultation with the Department of Parking and Traffic, the Department of Public Works and
9 the Mayor's Office on Disability, shall be responsible for the following scope of work:

- 10 1. Analyzing the adequacy of current funding sources to address the pedestrian safety,
11 disability access, street resurfacing and school area safety backlog of potential
12 projects;
- 13 2. Analyzing the potential for new revenue sources to address this backlog, including
14 but not limited to Proposition B reauthorization, vehicle license fees and a potential
15 pedestrian safety and street resurfacing impact development fee;
- 16 3. Estimating the extent to which street resurfacing costs are likely to increase if the
17 backlog of projects is not addressed;
- 18 4. Defining the parameters of a potential General Obligation bond issue to address the
19 backlog that cannot be met or is unlikely to be met by existing or potential revenue
20 sources; and
- 21 5. Performing outreach to identified constituencies who would be affected by such a
22 bond issue to solicit their input, including, but not limited to, seniors, the disability
23 community, alternative transportation advocates, commercial and residential
24 property owners, parents and school administrators, and neighborhood groups; and
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RESOLVED, That the Pedestrian Working Group shall present to the Board of Supervisors and the Authority Board its preliminary conclusions by August 1, 2001.



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July 9, 2001 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick,
Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee

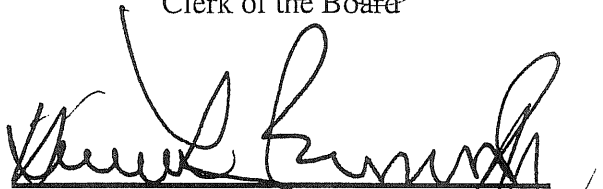
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on July 9, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

Date Approved