

1 [Contract Approval - Procurement of a Type II Fireboat - \$11,637,660]

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3 **Resolution approving the award of a contract for Procurement of a Type II Fireboat to**  
4 **Vigor Fab, Inc. (US Fab, Inc.), in an amount not-to-exceed \$11,637,660 pursuant to San**  
5 **Francisco Charter, Section 9.118(b), for the term ending December 31, 2015, to**  
6 **commence upon Board approval.**

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8 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Fire Department (SFFD) responds to over 100,000  
9 incidents each year, including fires, vehicle accidents, and medical and other emergencies;  
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11 WHEREAS, Due to its geographic and topographic layout, as well as other factors, the  
12 SFFD is confronted with unique challenges of quickly and efficiently supplying water in  
13 responding to these incidents; and

14 WHEREAS, In providing vital firefighting capabilities during waterfront structure fires,  
15 watercraft fires, rescues, and natural and man-made disasters, SFFD Fireboats are a crucial  
16 asset for emergency preparedness for the SFFD and for the City of San Francisco and are an  
17 integral part of the Auxiliary Water Supply System; and

18 WHEREAS, The SFFD currently owns and operates two Fireboats, the *Phoenix* and  
19 the *Guardian*, both of which were built in the early 1950s; and

20 WHEREAS, The *Phoenix* was critical to suppressing the fires at Beach and Divisadero  
21 Streets in the aftermath of the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake where, without the water  
22 supplied by the *Phoenix*, many more Marina District residents would have lost their homes;  
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1           WHEREAS, The SFFD, anticipating the need for a modern fireboat to meet the needs  
2 of the City of San Francisco, obtained a custom design for a Type II Fireboat through  
3 competitive procurement; and

4           WHEREAS, The SFFD's Type II Fireboat is custom designed with a high-volume water  
5 pumping capacity to provide water directly from the bay as an additional water supply for fire  
6 crews ashore, especially where shoreside fire mains are damaged by an earthquake, and is  
7 also designed to enhance the SFFD marine firefighting and response capabilities on water  
8 with firefighting, rescue, emergency medical service and patrol within five miles of shore and  
9 the adjoining inland waterways; and

10           WHEREAS, The Office of Contract Administration issued a Request For Proposals for  
11 a shipbuilder to build the Fireboat in accordance with the custom design specifications and  
12 selected Vigor Fab, Inc. (US Fab, Inc.) as the highest ranked proposer; and

13           WHEREAS, The SFFD and the Office of Contract Administration have engaged in a  
14 detailed contract negotiation to determine the costs and resources necessary to complete  
15 construction timely; and

16           WHEREAS, The SFFD has SFFD anticipates requesting funds in its budget proposal  
17 for this purchase of a new Type II Fireboat, and a majority of the funding is grant-funded; and

18           WHEREAS, The Office of Contract Administration intends to award one contract to the  
19 highest ranking proposer Vigor Fab, Inc. (US Fab, Inc.) in the amount of \$11,637,660 for the  
20 term ending December 31, 2015; and

21           WHEREAS, Charter Section 9.118(b) requires Board approval by resolution of  
22 contracts estimated to exceed \$10 million; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of the Office of  
24 Contract Administration and the Purchaser to award and execute the contract with Vigor, Fab  
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1 Inc. (US Fab, Inc.) in the amounts described above in substantially the form attached; and, be  
2 it

3 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors requires the San Francisco Fire  
4 Department to appear before it to assess the needs of a third Fireboat in its fleet after  
5 delivery, acceptance, and regular operation of the new Fireboat in 2015; and, be it

6 FURTHER RESOLVED, That within thirty (30) days of the contract being fully executed  
7 by all parties, the Purchaser and Director of the Office of Contract Administration shall provide  
8 the final contract to the Clerk of the Board for inclusion into the official file.

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