

1 [Accept and Expend Grant – Water-Based Response Capabilities - \$215,000]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the San Francisco Fire Department to retroactively accept and**  
4 **expend a grant in the amount of \$215,000 from the Federal Emergency Management**  
5 **Agency for the Fiscal Year 2011 Port Security Grant Program for assets to enhance the**  
6 **Fire Department’s water-based response capabilities and increase its protection of the**  
7 **Port of San Francisco and the San Francisco Bay.**

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9 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Fire Department (SFFD) responds to over 100,000  
10 incidents each year, including fires, vehicle accidents, and medical and other emergencies;  
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12 WHEREAS, Due to San Francisco’s geographic and topographic layout, as well as  
13 other factors, the SFFD is confronted with unique challenges in responding to these incidents;  
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15 WHEREAS, One of these unique challenges consists of the Department’s  
16 responsibilities for the protection of the Port of San Francisco and the San Francisco Bay;  
17 and,

18 WHEREAS, The SFFD applied for marine-based projects from the Fiscal Year 2011  
19 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) and was awarded grant funds from the Federal  
20 Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for dive rescue equipment upgrades and fire boat  
21 equipment enhancements; and,

22 WHEREAS, The total amount of grant funds awarded to the SFFD for the completion of  
23 these projects is \$215,000; and,

24 WHEREAS, The non-profit, San Francisco Marine Exchange, has been selected by  
25 FEMA as the designated fiduciary agent for the region for Port Security Grant funding; and,

1           WHEREAS, The grant expires June 30, 2014; and,  
2           WHEREAS, The Fire Commission recommended approval of this grant at its meeting  
3 on March 8, 2012; and,  
4           WHEREAS, The grant does not require an ASO amendment; and,  
5           WHEREAS, The grant does not require the City or the SFFD to supply matching funds;  
6 and,  
7           WHEREAS, The SFFD proposes to maximize the use of the grant funds on program  
8 expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; now, therefore, be it  
9           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the SFFD to retroactively  
10 accept and expend grant funds in the amount of \$215,000 from FEMA; and, be it  
11           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of  
12 indirect costs in the grant budget; and, be it  
13           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief of the SFFD is hereby authorized and  
14 empowered to execute, deliver, and perform, in the name of the City and County of San  
15 Francisco, all applications, contracts, agreements, amendments, and payment requests  
16 necessary for the purpose to secure the FEMA grant funds and implement and carry out the  
17 purposes specified in the applicable grant application.

18 Recommended:

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21 Joanne M. Hayes-White  
22 Chief of Department

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

23 Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
24 Controller  
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