

1 [Accept and Expend Grant - Environment Now - \$10,000]

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3 **Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to retroactively accept and**
4 **expend a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from Altamont Education Advisory Board to**
5 **support Environment Now, an environmental stewardship and workforce development**
6 **program.**

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8 WHEREAS, Based on evaluation of responses to an Altamont Education Advisory
9 Board request for proposals in the area of Waste Reduction and Environmental Education, the
10 Department of the Environment was selected to be the recipient of \$10,000.00 in funding to
11 support Environment Now; and,

12 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has adopted a goal of 75% landfill diversion by
13 2010 and zero waste by 2020; and

14 WHEREAS, In order to reach this goal all residents and businesses must participate in
15 the City's Zero Waste programs; and

16 WHEREAS, Environment Now provides outreach and education services throughout
17 the City to encourage increased participation in recycling and compost programs; and

18 WHEREAS, Diversion rates in the City's Bayview Hunters Point neighborhood
19 increased by 30% after a 3-month neighborhood outreach and education campaign led by
20 Environment Now; and,

21 WHEREAS, Environment Now provides Zero Waste information, education and
22 technical support to underserved San Francisco residents; and,

23 WHEREAS, Environment Now prepares participants for the new green economy by
24 providing Ecoliteracy training; education on the City's environmental policies, programs, and
25 services; soft skills support; and project based on the job training; and,

1 WHEREAS, Environment Now also provides opportunities for additional training such
2 as through the California Resource Recovery Association Certificate program; and,

3 WHEREAS, Environment Now coordinates programming with other local workforce
4 development providers; and,

5 WHEREAS, Funding from this grant will provide curriculum materials, program
6 equipment and support for Environment Now staff; and,

7 WHEREAS, The length of the grant is from July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011; and,

8 WHEREAS, No grant funds will be expended until the San Francisco Board of
9 Supervisors has approved acceptance of the funds; and,

10 WHEREAS, The grant budget does not include indirect costs in order to provide
11 maximum funding for the program activities; and,

12 WHEREAS, A request for retroactive approval is being sought because the Department
13 of the Environment did not receive the award until August 11, 2010; and

14 WHEREAS, This grant does not require an ASO amendment; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of
16 the Department of the Environment to retroactively accept and expend funding in the amount
17 of \$10,000.00 from the Altamont Education Advisory Board to support Environment Now, an
18 environmental stewardship and workforce development program.

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20 Recommended:

Approved: _____
Mayor

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23 Melanie Nutter, Executive Director
24 Department of the Environment

Approved: _____
Controller, Grant Division