FILE NO. 221208 RESOLUTION NO. 527-22

[Urging the Inclusion of Climate Action Plan Funding Priorities in the General Obligation Bond Schedule]

Resolution urging the Capital Planning Committee to include Climate Action Plan (CAP) funding priorities recommended by the Center for Law, Energy & the Environment (CLEE) Report, entitled "Funding San Francisco Climate Action: Strategies for Revenue, Implementation, and Equity," in the proposed General Obligation (GO) Bond schedule.

WHEREAS, In 2016, the Paris Climate Agreement committed national governments to pursue efforts to limit temperature rises to 1.5 degrees Celsius; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) issued a special report on the impacts of global warming and the need to significantly reduce global greenhouse gas emissions well before 2030 to reduce the most detrimental impacts to ecosystems and to human health; and

WHEREAS, Transportation is the highest source of greenhouse gas emissions in San Francisco, and improving transit and active transportation access will increase connectivity and economic opportunity, and increasing electric vehicle (EV) use will improve air quality for San Franciscans; and

WHEREAS, SFMTA and other City leaders have developed comprehensive, multi-decade capital plans encompassing a range of investments in transportation infrastructure, outlining over $30 billion in capital needs through 2040; and

WHEREAS, Buildings are the second-highest source of greenhouse gas emissions in San Francisco, and energy efficiency improvements in buildings will result in immediate quality-of-life benefits for residents; and

WHEREAS, On July 27 2021, the Board of Supervisors adopted new climate action goals, including complete building decarbonization by 2040, on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 210563, which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The 2021 San Francisco Climate Action Plan (CAP) includes policy strategies to drive retrofits of existing buildings, with a focus on lower-income residents including requirements to electrify at various transfer or renovation points; and

WHEREAS, San Francisco's Department of the Environment contracted UC Berkeley's Center for Law, Energy & the Environment (CLEE) to assess options for funding the equitable implementation of San Francisco's CAP; and

WHEREAS, To develop the recommendations in this report, CLEE conducted over 50 expert interviews with community leaders, City departments, municipal finance and environmental policy experts and other stakeholders, facilitated two expert and stakeholder workshops to discuss revenue generation options, and convened a Technical Advisory Committee that provided guidance on opportunities and barriers to each potential strategy; and

WHEREAS, The CLEE Report, "Funding San Francisco Climate Action: Strategies for Revenue, Implementation, and Equity" was released in November 2022; and

WHEREAS, The priority recommendations in this report include ensuring CAP funding priorities are reflected in the City's General Obligation (GO) Bond schedule; and

WHEREAS, A large-scale GO bond can both kick-start efficiency and electrification investment in high-priority communities and establish permanent programs that can marshal the billions of dollars of private capital required for CAP building decarbonization efforts; and

WHEREAS, A large-scale GO bond is needed to kick-start investment in high-priority, high-profile decarbonized transit projects while meeting the financial scale of major transportation capital infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, The CLEE Report recommends a dedicated $300-500 million building decarbonization GO bond to fund efficiency and electrification retrofits for existing residential buildings; and

WHEREAS, The CLEE Report recommends increasing the size of the upcoming affordable housing GO bond by $50-100 million to fund the San Francisco Housing Accelerator Fund for CAP-aligned housing investment; and

WHEREAS, The CLEE Report recommends a dedicated $300-500 million transportation GO Bond to fund public transit, active transportation, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, While the CLEE report presents three separate GO bond proposals, in practice, the nuances of the public approval process and benefits of simplicity could call instead for a single, comprehensive GO bond for building decarbonization, housing, and transportation investments; and

WHEREAS, The City's proposed GO bond schedule will be updated by the Capital Planning Committee and presented to the Board of Supervisors for adoption as part of the 10-Year Capital Plan update in 2023; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Capital Planning Committee to include CAP funding priorities recommended by the CLEE Repot in the proposed GO Bond schedule; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That those recommendations include (a) a dedicated $300-500 million building decarbonization GO bond to fund efficiency and electrification retrofits for existing residential buildings, (b) increasing the size of the upcoming affordable housing GO

bond by $50-100 million to fund the San Francisco Housing Accelerator Fund for CAP-aligned housing investment, (c) a dedicated $300-500 million transportation GO Bo to fund public transit, active transportation, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure, or (d) a single, comprehensive GO bond for building decarbonization, housing, and transportation investments; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board shall transmit copies of this Resolution to the members of the San Francisco Capital Planning Committee.

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December 06, 2022 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Mandelman, Mar, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 12/6/2022 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Alisa Somera

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Unsigned

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Mayor

12/16/2022

Date Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, not being signed by the Mayor within the time limit as set forth in Section 3.103 of the Charter, or time waived pursuant to Board Rule 2.14.2, became effective without her approval in accordance with the provision of said Section 3.103 of the Charter or Board Rule 2.14.2.

Angela Calvillo

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Date