

1 [CEQA Findings - Treasure Island/Yerba Buena Island Project]

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3 **Resolution adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA),**  
4 **CEQA Guidelines and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31, including the**  
5 **adoption of a mitigation monitoring and reporting program and a statement of**  
6 **overriding considerations in connection with the development of Treasure Island and**  
7 **Yerba Buena Island, as envisioned in the Redevelopment Plan for the Treasure**  
8 **Island/Yerba Buena Island Project Area.**

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10 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors makes the following findings in compliance with  
11 the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), California Public Resources Code  
12 Sections 21000 et seq., the CEQA Guidelines, 14 Cal. Code Reg. Code Sections 15000 et  
13 seq. ("CEQA Guidelines"), and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31 ("Chapter 31");  
14 and,

15 WHEREAS, The Treasure Island Development Authority ("TIDA") has prepared the  
16 Redevelopment Plan for the Treasure Island/Yerba Buena Island Project Area  
17 ("Redevelopment Plan"); and,

18 WHEREAS, The Redevelopment Plan Project Area comprises 450 acres of property,  
19 which includes portions of both Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island, excluding a 37 acre,  
20 federally owned U.S. Department of Labor Job Corps site and the eastern portion of Yerba  
21 Buena Island ("Project Area"); and,

22 WHEREAS, The Planning Department ("Department") and TIDA have undertaken a  
23 planning and environmental review process for the proposed Project Area and provided for  
24 appropriate public hearings before the Planning Commission and the TIDA Board of Directors;  
25 and,

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1           WHEREAS, The actions listed in Attachment A ("Actions") are part of a series of  
2 considerations in connection with the adoption of the Redevelopment Plan and various other  
3 actions to implement the project development (collectively, the "Project"), as more particularly  
4 defined in Attachment A; and,

5           WHEREAS, On July 12, 2010, the Department and TIDA released for public review  
6 and comment the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Project, (Department Case No.  
7 2007.0903E); and,

8           WHEREAS, The Planning Commission and TIDA held a special joint hearing on  
9 August 12, 2010 on the Draft Environmental Impact Report and received written public  
10 comments until 5:00 pm on September 10, 2010, for a total of 60 days of public review; and,

11           WHEREAS, The Department and TIDA prepared a Final Environmental Impact Report  
12 ("FEIR") for the Project consisting of the Draft Environmental Impact Report, the comments  
13 received during the review period, any additional information that became available after the  
14 publication of the Draft Environmental Impact Report, and the Draft Summary of Comments  
15 and Responses, all as required by law. Copies of said documents are on file with the Clerk of  
16 the Board in File No. \_\_\_\_\_, and are incorporated herein by reference; and,

17           WHEREAS, The FEIR files and other Project-related Department and TIDA files have  
18 been available for review by this Board of Supervisors and the public, and those files are part  
19 of the record before this Board of Supervisors; and,

20           WHEREAS, On April 7, 2011, the Planning Commission and the TIDA Board of  
21 Directors reviewed and considered the FEIR and, by Motion No. \_\_\_\_\_ and Resolution No.  
22 \_\_\_\_\_, respectively, found that: (1) the contents of said report and the procedures through  
23 which the FEIR was prepared, publicized and reviewed complied with the provisions of the  
24 California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the CEQA Guidelines and Chapter 31 of  
25 the San Francisco Administrative Code; (2) the FEIR was adequate, accurate and objective,

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1 reflected the independent judgment and analysis of each Commission and that the summary  
2 of Comments and Responses contained no significant revisions to the Draft Environmental  
3 Impact Report; and (3) the Project will have significant and unavoidable project impacts and  
4 make a considerable contribution to cumulative impacts in the areas of transportation, noise,  
5 air quality and historic resources; and,

6 WHEREAS, By said Motion and Resolution, the Planning Commission and the TIDA  
7 Board of Directors, respectively, certified the completion of the Final Environmental Impact  
8 Report for the Project in compliance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines. Said Motion and  
9 Resolution are on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No. \_\_\_\_\_ and are  
10 incorporated herein by reference; and,

11 WHEREAS, The Department and TIDA prepared proposed environmental findings, as  
12 required by CEQA (the "CEQA Findings"), regarding the rejection of alternatives; mitigation  
13 measures; significant environmental impacts analyzed in the FEIR; and overriding  
14 considerations for approving the Project, including all of its Actions, among other topics. The  
15 CEQA Findings also include a proposed mitigation monitoring and reporting program, denoted  
16 as Attachment B. These CEQA findings, the Board of Supervisors' CEQA Findings, and  
17 related Project documents were made available to the public and this Board of Supervisors for  
18 the Board's review, consideration, and actions. Copies of the CEQA Findings of the Planning  
19 Commission, TIDA, and the Board are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File  
20 No. \_\_\_\_\_, and are incorporated herein by reference; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered Planning  
22 Commission Motion No. \_\_\_\_\_ certifying the FEIR and finding the FEIR adequate, accurate  
23 and objective, and reflecting the independent judgment and analysis of the Planning  
24 Commission, and hereby affirms the Planning Commission's certification of the FEIR by Board  
25 of Supervisors Motion No. \_\_\_\_\_. Copies of said Motions are on file with the Clerk of the

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1 Board of Supervisors in File No. \_\_\_\_\_ and are incorporated herein by reference;  
2 and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors finds that (1) modifications  
4 incorporated into the Project and reflected in the Actions will not require important revisions to  
5 the FEIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial  
6 increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; (2) no substantial changes  
7 have occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the Project or the Actions are  
8 undertaken that would require major revisions to the FEIR due to the involvement of new  
9 significant environmental effects, or a substantial increase in the severity of effects identified  
10 in the FEIR; and (3) no new information of substantial importance to the Project or the Actions  
11 has become available that would indicate (a) the Project or the Actions will have significant  
12 effects not discussed in the FEIR; (b) significant environmental effects will be substantially  
13 more severe; (c) mitigation measures or alternatives found not feasible, which would reduce  
14 one or more significant effects, have become feasible; or (d) mitigation measures or  
15 alternatives, which are considerably different from those in the FEIR, would substantially  
16 reduce one or more significant effects on the environment; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered  
18 the FEIR and hereby adopts the CEQA Findings, including the mitigation monitoring and  
19 reporting program, contained in Attachment B, and the statement of overriding considerations.

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