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MEMORANDUM

Date: October 25, 2023
To: Planning Department/Planning Commission
From: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Land Use and Transportation Committee
Subject: Board of Supervisors Legislation Referral - File No. 231075
Park Code - Great Highway Extension - Road Closure

- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Determination
(*California Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 et seq.*)
 - Ordinance / Resolution
 - Ballot Measure

- Amendment to the Planning Code, including the following Findings:
(*Planning Code, Section 302(b): 90 days for Planning Commission review*)
 - General Plan Planning Code, Section 101.1 Planning Code, Section 302

- Amendment to the Administrative Code, involving Land Use/Planning
(*Board Rule 3.23: 30 days for possible Planning Department review*)

- General Plan Referral for Non-Planning Code Amendments
(*Charter, Section 4.105, and Administrative Code, Section 2A.53*)
(Required for legislation concerning the acquisition, vacation, sale, or change in use of City property; subdivision of land; construction, improvement, extension, widening, narrowing, removal, or relocation of public ways, transportation routes, ground, open space, buildings, or structures; plans for public housing and publicly-assisted private housing; redevelopment plans; development agreements; the annual capital expenditure plan and six-year capital improvement program; and any capital improvement project or long-term financing proposal such as general obligation or revenue bonds.)

- Historic Preservation Commission
 - Landmark (*Planning Code, Section 1004.3*)
 - Cultural Districts (*Charter, Section 4.135 & Board Rule 3.23*)
 - Mills Act Contract (*Government Code, Section 50280*)
 - Designation for Significant/Contributory Buildings (*Planning Code, Article 11*)

Please send the Planning Department/Commission recommendation/determination to John Carroll at john.carroll@sfgov.org.

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3 **Ordinance amending the Park Code to close the Great Highway Extension, beginning at**
 4 **Sloat Boulevard and extending south for a distance of approximately 3,317 feet, to**
 5 **vehicles to allow for a multi-use trail and to improve shoreline resilience as part of the**
 6 **Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project; making an associated finding under**
 7 **the California Vehicle Code; making environmental findings, including adopting a**
 8 **statement of overriding considerations under the California Environmental Quality Act;**
 9 **and making findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority**
 10 **policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.**

11 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
 12 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
 13 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.
 14 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.
 15 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
 16 **Asterisks (* * * *)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code
 17 subsections or parts of tables.

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16 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

17 Section 1. Background and Findings.

18 (a) In 2012, the Ocean Beach Master Plan was released, calling for six key
 19 infrastructure improvements for the City to implement for a sustainable "managed retreat" on
 20 the length of Ocean Beach needed as a result of the anticipated impacts of climate change on
 21 the western waterfront. As a result, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission is planning
 22 the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project ("OBCCAP" or "Project"), to improve the
 23 City's stormwater infrastructure near Ocean Beach and make it resilient to climate change and
 24 erosion. The Project includes converting the Great Highway Extension roadway between
 25 Sloat Boulevard and Skyline Boulevard to a multi-use trail. The Project will improve shoreline

1 resilience and protect key stormwater infrastructure with a buried seawall, and will enhance
2 recreational access to the corridor with a multi-use trail bridging a link in the Coastal Trail
3 between Fort Funston and Ocean Beach, new beach access points, and a new parking lot.

4 (b) To enable the OBCCAP, the Board of Supervisors finds that it is appropriate and
5 in the public interest to permanently restrict vehicles from a portion of the Great Highway
6 Extension, beginning at Sloat Boulevard and ending at the northern boundary of the new
7 Great Highway Extension parking lot, approximately 3,317 feet south of Sloat Boulevard along
8 the Great Highway Extension and approximately 728 feet west of Skyline Boulevard, because,
9 consistent with California Vehicle Code Section 21101, the portion of the street to be closed is
10 no longer needed for vehicular traffic, and also for the reasons set out in the Final
11 Environmental Impact Report for the Project and other documents on file with the Clerk of the
12 Board of Supervisors in File No. _____.

13 (c) On September 28, 2023, after a duly noticed public hearing, the Planning
14 Commission, by Motion No. 21398, certified the Final Environmental Impact Report (“Final
15 EIR”) for the OBCCAP. The Planning Commission motion finds that the Final EIR reflects the
16 independent judgment and analysis of the City and County of San Francisco, is adequate,
17 accurate, and objective, contains no significant revisions to the Draft EIR, and the content of
18 the report and the Planning Department procedures through which the Final EIR was
19 prepared, publicized, and reviewed comply with the provisions of the California Environmental
20 Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), the CEQA Guidelines
21 (14 Cal. Code Regs. Section 15000 et seq.), and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco
22 Administrative Code. Copies of the Planning Commission Motion and Final EIR are on file
23 with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. _____ and are incorporated herein by
24 reference. The Board affirms this determination.

1 (d) The Project evaluated in the Final EIR includes the proposed amendments to
2 the Park Code set forth in this ordinance. The proposed Park Code amendments set forth in
3 this ordinance are within the scope of the Project evaluated in the Final EIR.

4 (e) On October 10, 2023, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, in
5 Resolution No. 23-0190, adopted findings under CEQA regarding the OBCCAP's
6 environmental impacts, the disposition of mitigation measures, and project alternatives, as
7 well as a statement of overriding considerations (CEQA Findings), and adopted a mitigation
8 monitoring reporting program (MMRP). A copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of
9 the Board of Supervisors in File No. 231075, and is incorporated herein by reference.

10 (f) On _____, the Planning Commission, in Resolution No. _____, adopted
11 findings that the actions contemplated in this ordinance are consistent, on balance, with the
12 City's General Plan and eight priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1. The Board
13 adopts these findings as its own. A copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the
14 Board of Supervisors in File No. _____, and is incorporated herein by reference.

15 (g) The Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the Final EIR and the
16 environmental documents on file referred to herein. The Board of Supervisors has reviewed
17 and considered the CEQA Findings, and hereby adopts them as its own and incorporates
18 them by reference as though such findings were fully set forth in this ordinance.

19 (h) The Board of Supervisors adopts the MMRP as a condition of approving this
20 ordinance, and endorses those mitigation measures that are under the jurisdiction of other
21 City Departments, and recommends for adoption those mitigation measures that are
22 enforceable by agencies other than City agencies, all as set forth in the CEQA Findings and
23 MMRP.

24 (i) The Board of Supervisors finds that since the certification of the Final EIR no
25 substantial changes have occurred in the proposed Project that would require revisions in the

1 Final EIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial
2 increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects, no substantial changes have
3 occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the proposed Project is to be
4 undertaken that would require major revisions to the Final EIR due to the involvement of new
5 environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of effects identified in the Final
6 EIR, and no new information of substantial importance to the proposed Project has become
7 available which indicates that (1) the Project will have significant effects not discussed in the
8 Final EIR, (2) significant environmental effects will be substantially more severe, (3) mitigation
9 measures or alternatives found not feasible that would reduce one or more significant effects
10 have become feasible, or (4) mitigation measures or alternatives that are considerably
11 different from those in the Final EIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects
12 on the environment.

13 Section 2. Article 6 of the Park Code is hereby amended by adding Section 6.15, to
14 read as follows:

15 **SEC. 6.15. RESTRICTING VEHICLES ON THE GREAT HIGHWAY EXTENSION.**

16 (a) Findings. Consistent with California Vehicle Code Section 21101, the Board of
17 Supervisors finds that it is appropriate to permanently restrict vehicles from a portion of the Great
18 Highway Extension, beginning at Sloat Boulevard and extending south for a distance of approximately
19 3,317 feet, because that portion of the street is no longer needed for vehicular traffic.

20 (b) Restrictions on Vehicles. The Recreation and Park Department shall restrict vehicles
21 from the Great Highway Extension, beginning at Sloat Boulevard and extending south for a distance of
22 approximately 3,317 feet.

23 (c) Exempt Vehicles. The following vehicles are exempt from the restriction in subsection (b):

24 (1) Emergency vehicles, including but not limited to police and fire vehicles.

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1 (2) Official City, State, or federal vehicles, or any other authorized vehicle, being used to
2 perform official City, State, or federal business pertaining to the closed portion of the Great Highway
3 Extension or any property or facility therein or accessible therefrom.

4 (3) Vehicles authorized by the Recreation and Park Department in connection with
5 permitted events and activities.

6 (d) **Motorized Bicycles, Scooters, or Boards.** The Recreation and Park Department shall have
7 the authority to issue rules related to the use of the closed portion of the street by persons utilizing
8 motorized bicycles, scooters, or boards.

9 (e) **Emergency Authority.** The General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department shall
10 have the authority to allow vehicular traffic on street segments that would otherwise be closed to
11 vehicles under this Section 6.15 in circumstances which in the General Manager’s judgment constitute
12 an emergency such that the benefit to the public from the vehicular street closure is outweighed by the
13 traffic burden or public safety hazard created by the emergency circumstances.

14 (f) **Promotion of the General Welfare.** In enacting and implementing this Section 6.15, the City
15 is assuming an undertaking only to promote the general welfare. It is not assuming, nor is it imposing
16 on its officers and employees, an obligation for breach of which it is liable in money damages to any
17 person who claims that such breach proximately caused injury.

18 (g) **Severability.** If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Section 6.15 or any
19 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a
20 decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining
21 portions or applications of Section 6.15. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares it would have
22 passed this Section and each and every subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, and word not declared
23 invalid or unconstitutional without regard to whether any other portions of Section 6.15 or application
24 thereof would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

25 Section 3. Effective Date.

1 This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs
2 when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not
3 sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board of Supervisors overrides the
4 Mayor’s veto of the ordinance.

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7 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
8 DAVID CHIU, City Attorney

9 By: /s/ _____
10 LILLIAN A. LEVY
11 Deputy City Attorney
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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Park Code - Great Highway Extension - Road Closure]

Ordinance amending the Park Code to close the Great Highway Extension, beginning at Sloat Boulevard and extending south for a distance of approximately 3,317 feet, to vehicles to allow for a multi-use trail and to improve shoreline resilience as part of the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project; making an associated finding under the California Vehicle Code; making environmental findings, including adopting a statement of overriding considerations under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

Existing Law

The Great Highway Extension is roadway currently open to vehicles running from Sloat Boulevard to Skyline Boulevard, directly east of Ocean Beach.

Amendments to Current Law

The ordinance would approve a permanent closure to vehicles of a portion of the Great Highway Extension, beginning at Sloat Boulevard and extending approximately 3,317 feet south of Sloat Boulevard along the Great Highway Extension, to a point approximately 728 feet west of Skyline Boulevard to enable the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project ("OBCCAP" or "Project").

Background Information

In 2012, the Ocean Beach Master Plan was released, calling for infrastructure improvements for the City to implement for a sustainable "managed retreat" on the length of Ocean Beach needed as a result of the anticipated impacts of climate change on the western waterfront. As a result, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission is planning the OBCCAP, to improve the City's stormwater infrastructure near Ocean Beach and make it resilient to climate change and erosion. The Project includes converting the Great Highway Extension roadway between Sloat Boulevard and Skyline Boulevard to a multi-use trail. The Project will include enhanced recreational access to the corridor with a multi-use trail bridging a link in the Coastal Trail between Fort Funston and Ocean Beach, new beach access points, and a new parking lot. This ordinance would close the Great Highway Extension to vehicles beginning at Sloat Boulevard and ending at the northern boundary of the new Great Highway Extension parking lot, approximately 3,317 feet south of Sloat Boulevard along the Great Highway Extension and approximately 728 feet west of Skyline Boulevard.

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PLANNING COMMISSION MOTION NO. 21398

HEARING DATE: SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

Record No.: 2019-020115ENV
Project Title: Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project
Zoning: P (Public) and RH-1D (Residential House, One Family Detached) Zoning Districts
OS (Open Space) Height and Bulk District
Western Shoreline Area Plan
Block/Lot: 7281/006, 007, 009, 010
7282/008, 009
Project Sponsors: San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
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ADOPTING FINDINGS UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT RELATED TO THE CERTIFICATION OF A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE OCEAN BEACH CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION PROJECT AT OCEAN BEACH AND THE GREAT HIGHWAY, BETWEEN SLOAT AND SKYLINE BOULEVARDS, AND OCEAN BEACH NORTH OF LINCOLN BOULEVARD IN SAN FRANCISCO.

MOVED, that the San Francisco Planning Commission (hereinafter “Commission”) hereby CERTIFIES the Final Environmental Impact Report identified as Case No. 2019-020115ENV, for the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project (hereinafter “Project”), based on the following findings:

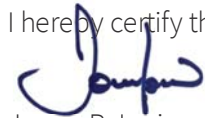
1. The City and County of San Francisco, acting through the Planning Department (hereinafter “Department”) fulfilled all procedural requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Cal. Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq., hereinafter “CEQA”), the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Admin. Code Title 14, Section 15000 et seq., hereinafter “CEQA Guidelines”) and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code (hereinafter “Chapter 31”).
 - A. The Department determined that an Environmental Impact Report (hereinafter “EIR”) was required and provided public notice of that determination by publication in a newspaper of general circulation on September 9, 2020. This notice was mailed to the Department’s list of organizations and individuals requesting such notice, posted at the San Francisco County Clerk’s office, posted in the offices of the Department and on the Department website, mailed to the applicant(s), board(s), commission(s) and

department(s) that will carry out or approve the project, and mailed to property owners and occupants within 300-foot of the project site. Copies of the NOP were mailed or otherwise delivered to government agencies through the State Clearinghouse.

- B. On September 30, 2020, the Department held a virtual public scoping meeting to describe the project and receive oral comments on the scope of the EIR. The scoping meeting presentation was also posted on the Department website.
 - C. On December 8, 2021, the Department published the Draft Environmental Impact Report (hereinafter "DEIR") and provided public notice in a newspaper of general circulation of the availability of the DEIR for public review and comment and of the date and time of the Planning Commission public hearing on the DEIR. The notice of availability of the DEIR and notice of public hearing was posted in the offices of the Planning Department and on the Planning Department website; filed with the San Francisco County Clerk; mailed to the Department's list of organizations and individuals requesting such notice; mailed to interested parties; mailed to the applicant(s), board(s), commission(s) and department(s) that will carry out or approve the project; and mailed to property owners and occupants within 300-foot of the project site.
 - D. The notice of availability of the DEIR and of the date and time of the public hearing were posted at the site on December 8, 2021.
 - E. On December 8, 2021, copies of the DEIR were mailed or otherwise delivered to government agencies through the State Clearinghouse.
 - F. A notice of completion was filed with the State Secretary of Resources via the State Clearinghouse on December 8, 2021.
2. The Commission held a duly advertised public hearing on said DEIR on January 6, 2022, at which opportunity for public comment was given and public comment was received on the DEIR. The period for acceptance of written comments ended on January 24, 2022.
 3. The Department prepared responses to comments on environmental issues received at the public hearing and in writing during the 45-day public review period for the DEIR, prepared revisions to the text of the DEIR in response to comments received or based on additional information that became available during the public review period, and corrected errors in the DEIR. This material was presented in a Responses to Comments document, published on September 14, 2023, distributed to the Commission and all parties who commented on the DEIR, and made available to others upon request at the Department.
 4. A Final Environmental Impact Report (hereinafter "FEIR") has been prepared by the Department, consisting of the DEIR, any consultations and comments received during the review process, any additional information that became available, and the Responses to Comments document, all as required by law.
 5. Project EIR files have been made available for review by the Commission and the public. These files are available for public review at the Department at 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, and are part of the record before the Commission. The Project EIR files have also been made available for public review online at <https://tinyurl.com/OceanBeachEIR>.

6. The Commission, in certifying the completion of said FEIR, hereby does find that that none of the factors that would necessitate recirculation of the FEIR under CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5 are present. The FEIR contains no information revealing (1) any new significant environmental impact that would result from the Project or from a new mitigation measure proposed to be implemented, (2) any substantial increase in the severity of a previously identified environmental impact, (3) any feasible Project alternative or mitigation measure considerably different from others previously analyzed that would clearly lessen the environmental impacts of the Project, but that was rejected by the Project's proponents, or (4) that the DEIR was so fundamentally and basically inadequate and conclusory in nature that meaningful public review and comment were precluded.
7. On September 28, 2023, the Commission reviewed and considered the information contained in the FEIR and hereby does find that the contents of said report and the procedures through which the FEIR was prepared, publicized, and reviewed comply with the provisions of CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code.
8. The Commission hereby does find that the FEIR concerning File No. 2019-020115ENV reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City and County of San Francisco, is adequate, accurate and objective, and that the Responses to Comments document contains no significant revisions to the DEIR, and hereby does CERTIFY THE COMPLETION of said FEIR in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code.
9. The Commission, in certifying the completion of said FEIR, hereby does find that the Project described in the EIR:
 - A. Would have a significant unavoidable project-specific impact on biological resources.
 - B. Would have a significant unavoidable project-specific impact and a considerable contribution to a significant cumulative impact on transportation and circulation.
 - C. Would have a significant and unavoidable project-specific impact on noise and a considerable contribution to a significant cumulative impact on noise.

I hereby certify that the Planning Commission ADOPTED the foregoing Motion on September 28, 2023.



Jonas P. Ionin
Commission Secretary

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AYES: Braun, Ruiz, Diamond, Imperial, Koppel, Moore, Tanner
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ADOPTED: September 28, 2023

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. 23-0190

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco (City), is leading efforts to implement one of the City's first climate change adaptation initiatives, the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project (Project) located at Ocean Beach, south of Sloat Boulevard to address the long-term physical changes needed to combat climate induced sea level rise in the City, specifically at Ocean Beach; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC, in collaboration with San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Authority, and San Francisco Public Works has developed the cross-agency Project, otherwise known as Project No. CWWFAC01; and

WHEREAS, The Project focuses on implementing two of six key moves of the 2012 Ocean Beach Master Plan at South Ocean Beach and includes (1) closure of the Great Highway Extension to most vehicular traffic and (2) the introduction of a multipurpose coastal protection/restoration/access system; and

WHEREAS, The Project was developed in order to meet the terms of a 2014 legal settlement agreement and a 2015 California Coastal Commission permit, which has received subsequent time extensions of a total of 2.5 years with a current expiration date of June 30, 2024, both of which establish timelines for developing and implementing a long-term strategy for shoreline management at South Ocean Beach; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, the City amended its Local Coastal Plan, the Western Shoreline Area Plan, to adopt policies that advance the Plan's general vision for South Ocean Beach, including the closure of the Great Highway between Sloat and Skyline Boulevards; and

WHEREAS, The Project is necessary to protect the integrity of the SFPUC's wastewater assets built to protect public health and the environment, including the Lake Merced Tunnel, the Westside Pump Station, and the Oceanside Treatment Plant; and

WHEREAS, This project will implement a comprehensive shoreline management and protection plan in partnership with relevant stakeholders and regulatory agencies to provide a long-term solution to the erosion issue along South Ocean Beach, and to mitigate potential impacts to the Lake Merced Tunnel and other critical wastewater assets at this location; and

WHEREAS, The objectives of the Project are to (1) implement the city's local coastal program policies for the long-term management of South Ocean Beach, including managed retreat, beach nourishment, and sea level rise adaptation in compliance with Coastal Commission permit requirements, (2) preserve and enhance coastal public access and recreation, habitat, and scenic quality at South Ocean Beach, (3) protect the Lake Merced Tunnel and related wastewater system infrastructure from damage due to shoreline erosion, storm and wave hazards, and sea level rise in order to maintain current operational capacity and meet regulatory permit requirements, and (4) maintain vehicle access for: SFPUC wastewater facility operations, San Francisco Zoo visitor parking lot via Sloat, Emergency response personnel, maintenance of public access trail, and long-term beach nourishment, and the SFPUC's wastewater assets built to protect public health and the environment;; and

WHEREAS, SFPUC and San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department staff negotiated a letter of agreement containing the basic terms of an anticipated Memorandum of Understanding to (1) memorialize ownership and maintenance obligations for Project improvements, (2) set forth the terms and conditions under which the SFPUC will construct and install the Project improvements, (3) memorialize the process and respective responsibilities for obtaining permanent easement rights from the National Park Service for certain Project improvements, (4) provide the terms and conditions for SFPUC's use of San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department property for installation or construction of Project improvements, and (5) provide the terms and conditions for each department to use the lands of the other department for ongoing operation, maintenance, and repair of its respective Project improvements; and

WHEREAS, On September 28, 2023, the Planning Commission certified the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project (Case No. 2019-020115ENV) prepared pursuant to the CEQA by Motion No. 21398; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Zoological Society and the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, have raised concerns about the sufficiency of vehicle access to the Zoo's patron parking lot under the Project, which would remove the southern entrance and exit to the Zoo lot and require vehicles entering the Zoo lot to perform a U-turn at the end of Sloat Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, The Environmental Impact Report considered access to the San Francisco Zoo under the Project, and concluded that such access would not result in significant impacts related to hazardous conditions or inadequate emergency access; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department is the custodian of records, located in File No. 2019-020115ENV at 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, San Francisco, California; and

WHEREAS, The Project files, including the Final Environmental Impact Report, CEQA Findings and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program have been made available for review by this Commission and the public, and those files are part of the record before this Commission; and

WHEREAS, This Commission has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final Environmental Impact Report, the CEQA Findings, and all written and oral information provided by the Planning Department, the public, relevant public agencies, SFPUC staff and other experts and the administrative files for the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Commission, having reviewed and considered the Final Environmental Impact Report and the record as a whole for the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project, finds that the Final Environmental Impact Report is adequate for its use as the decision-making body to approve the Project, and hereby adopt the CEQA Findings and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby approves the Ocean Beach Climate Change Adaptation Project and authorizes staff to proceed with actions necessary to implement the Project, including obtaining a Coastal Development Permit from the California Coastal Commission and any other required permits, provided that subsequent Commission action will be required to award the contracts for construction of the Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby approves the letter of agreement describing the anticipated Memorandum of Understanding between the SFPUC and the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department regarding construction and operation of the Project; and authorizes the General Manager of the SFPUC to negotiate and execute said Memorandum of Understanding with San Francisco Recreation and Park Department; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The SFPUC, in coordination with the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, Planning Department, and Public Works, will evaluate vehicle access to the Zoo parking lot, and will consider whether any subsequent project is necessary to provide enhanced vehicle access, subject to any environmental review necessary at that time; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission urges the San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission and the Board of Supervisors to restrict vehicular traffic on the Great Highway Extension and take any other actions necessary to facilitate the Project.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of October 10, 2023.


Secretary, Public Utilities Commission