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RE: De Long Street Conditional Acceptance and Delegation of Authority to Public Works

To the Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Public Works supports the abovementioned legislation regarding the acceptance of De Long Street between Santa Cruz and San Diego Avenues (the "De Long Street Segment") for City maintenance and liability after this Street Segment is designed and constructed. The basis for Public Works support for the delegation of various actions to the Public Works Director and City Engineer is to allow for expedited processing of the De Long Street Segment public improvements and to facilitate a timely construction schedule for the upgrade to this Street Segment.

On behalf of Public Works, I recommend that the Board of Supervisors: (1) accept the BART Offer of Dedication, its associated deed for fee title, and the BART contribution toward the De Long Street Segment upgrade of \$75,000; (2) authorize the use of San Francisco County Transportation Authority grant funds of up to \$350,000 for Public Works to design and construct this Street Segment; and (3) conditionally accept for City maintenance and liability purposes the De Long Street Segment, subject to its completion, inspection, and certification that it has been constructed in accordance with all provisions of the Municipal Code, City regulations, and standards, and is ready for its intended use.

In order to accomplish this, I recommend that the Board of Supervisors delegate the authority to the City Engineer and my Office to declare the De Long Street Segment as open public right-of-way; dedicate the De Long Street Segment to public use; designate the Street Segment for street and roadway purposes; and accept it for City maintenance and liability purposes, subject to certain exceptions, upon completion of this Street Segment as set forth above. In addition, I recommend that the acceptance of the De Long Street Segment for maintenance and liability purposes be subject to the following exceptions: (1) the portions of the De Long Street Segment being accepted for street and roadway purposes are from back of sidewalk to back of sidewalk, unless specified otherwise; (2) acceptance of the De Long Street Segment for City maintenance and liability purposes is from back of curb to back of curb, unless specified otherwise, and sidewalk maintenance is the responsibility of the adjacent property owners in accordance with the Public Works Code; and (3) encroachments that are permitted, not permitted, or both, are excluded from acceptance.

Further, I recommend that the Board of Supervisors delegate the authority to the City Engineer and my Office to establish public right-of-way widths, sidewalk widths, and street grades on the De Long Street Segment, at the time of the Street Segment's completion as set forth above, and adopt any associated official maps such as an A-17 Map for public right-of-way width and a Q-20 Drawing for sidewalk width and street grades. In order to officially change sidewalk width, I recommend that the Board of Supervisors waive Ordinance No. 1061 on official sidewalk widths and authorize my Office to administratively establish the official sidewalk widths.

Thank you for your consideration of this important legislation.

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