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[Accept and Expend Grant - Sustainable Neighborhoods Technical Assistance and Planning -\$49,0001

Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to accept and expend a grant of \$49,000 from the Urban Sustainability Directors Network to administrate technical assistance for planning for environmentally sustainable neighborhoods (EcoDistricts) and to develop a plan for a national technical assistance program for local governments.

WHEREAS, After a competitive process, the City and County of San Francisco (City) was selected to receive a grant from the Urban Sustainability Directors Network (USDN) to develop a plan for a national technical assistance program for the development of environmentally sustainable neighborhoods (EcoDistricts); and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors adopted goals for greenhouse gas emissions reductions; and

WHEREAS, Several City departments (Planning, Environment, and Public Utilities Commission) are already cooperating to study and plan for greenhouse gas reductions through neighborhood scale energy systems in the Transit District Area and the Central Corridor Area; and

WHEREAS, The City departments also see other opportunities for neighborhood scale infrastructure in water, wastewater, and transportation systems that can create further greenhouse gas reductions, create more sustainable neighborhoods, improve the livability of those neighborhoods, and reduce operating costs to the City; and

WHEREAS, The City submitted a proposal to USDN in collaboration with ten other U.S. cities for the purpose of assisting the participating cities to develop plans for sustainable neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, The USDN is interested in projects that will have national application; and WHEREAS, The City's application included the development of a plan for a national technical assistance program using the eleven participating cities as pilot projects; and

WHEREAS, Participating in this process will support the City's continued reputation as a national leader in municipal sustainability; and

WHEREAS, The term of this grant is from May 1, 2012 to January 31, 2013; and WHEREAS, The grant allows for Indirect costs of \$985; and

WHEREAS, The grant does not require an Annual Salary Ordinance (ASO) amendment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of the Department of the Environment to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$49,000 from the Urban Sustainability Directors Network to administrate technical assistance for planning for sustainable neighborhoods and to develop a plan for a national technical assistance program for local governments.

Recommended:

Department/Head

Approved:

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Approved:

Controller, Grant Division



City and County of San Francisco **Tails**

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June 12, 2012 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Elsbernd, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Olaque and

Wiener

Absent: 1 - Cohen

File No. 120621

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 6/12/2012 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> **Angela Calvillo** Clerk of the Board