## AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE - 11/5/03

FILE NO. 031321

RESOLUTION NO. 738-03

[CEQA, General Plan, Golden Gate Park Master Plan Findings in Connection with the Golden Gate Park Concourse Authority Projects.]

Resolution affirming the Planning Commission's certification of the Golden Gate Park Concourse Authority Projects Final Environmental Impact; adopting environmental findings pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, State Guidelines, and Administrative Code Chapter 31; and adopting General Plan and Planning Code Section 101.1 findings in connection with the Golden Gate Park Concourse Authority Projects.

WHEREAS, The Golden Gate Park Concourse Authority ("Authority") proposes an underground parking facility and related surface improvements (also known as Phase I) between the New DeYoung Museum and the California Academy of Sciences and in the Music Concourse area of Golden Gate Park and various transportation improvement measures (the "Projects"); and,

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco ("City") conducted a planning and environmental review process for the proposed Projects and provided public hearings before the Planning and Recreation and Park Commissions and the Authority; and,

WHEREAS, The actions listed in Attachment A (the "Actions"), attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, are part of a series of considerations in connection with approval of the Projects, as more particularly defined in Attachment A (the "CEOA Findings"). A copy of said Attachment is attached hereto, incorporated herein by reference, and on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. \_\_\_\_031321\_\_\_\_; and,

WHEREAS, On December 14, 20032, the Planning Department ('Department'') released for public review and comment the Draft Environmental Impact Report ("DEIR") (Planning File No. 2001.911E) for the Projects; and,

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WHEREAS, The Planning Commission held a duly noticed DEIR public hearing on January 23, 2003; and,

WHEREAS, The Department prepared a Final Environmental Impact Report ("FEIR") for the Projects consisting of the DEIR, the comments received during the review periods, any additional information that became available, and the Summary of Comments and Responses, all as required by law; and,

WHEREAS, On July 17 and 24, 2003, the Planning Commission reviewed and considered the FEIR and, by Motion No. <u>16620</u>, found that the contents of such report and the procedures through which the FEIR was prepared, publicized and reviewed complied with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations §§ 15000 et seq.), and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Said Motion is incorporated herein by reference and a copy is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No<sub>8</sub>. <u>031450 and 031482</u>; and,

WHEREAS, By Motion No. <u>16620</u> the Planning Commission (i) found that the FEIR was adequate, accurate and objective, reflected the independent judgment and analysis of the Planning Commission; (ii) found that the FEIR recognized significant environmental impacts associated with the Project; (iii) determined that no significant new information was added between public notice of the availability of the DEIR and certification of the FEIR; and (iv) certified the completion of the FEIR for the Project in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code; and,

<u>WHEREAS, On August 13, 2003, two appeals to the Planning Commission's FEIR certification</u> were duly file; and

WHEREAS, On September 16, 2003, this Board conducted a duly noticed hearing on the appeals, rejected said appeals, and affirmed the Planning Commission's FEIR certification in Motions

No. M03-0161 and M03-0162. Copies of said Motions are on file with the Clerk of the Board of

Supervisors in File Nos. 031450 and 031482, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, The Planning and Recreation and Park Commissions and the Authority took various actions related to the Projects, and in connection therewith adopted findings, as required by CEQA, regarding the FEIR, alternatives and variants, mitigation measures and significant environmental impacts analyzed in the FEIR, associated Actions listed in Attachment A, and a proposed mitigation monitoring program. The Planning Commission action in Motion No. 16671 (August 21 October 2, 2003), the Recreation and Park Commission action in Resolution No. 0310-014 (August 28 October 16, 2003), and the Authority actions in Resolution Nos. 03-001 (August 12, 2003) and 03-002 (October 14, 2003), are incorporated herein by reference. Copies of said Motion and Resolutions are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 031321 Such materials are available to the public and this Board of Supervisors for its review, consideration, and action; and,

WHEREAS, The FEIR files and other Project-related Department files are available for review by this Board of Supervisors and the public. The Planning Department files are available at 1660 Mission Street and the Recreation and Park Department and Authority files are available at McLaren Lodge, Golden Gate Park, 501 Stanyan Avenue. Those files are part of the record before this Board of Supervisors and are incorporated by reference herein; and,

WHEREAS, On <u>August 21 October 2</u>, 2003, the Planning Commission reviewed and considered the Projects, and in Motion No. <u>16671</u> found that the Projects were consistent with the General Plan and eight priority policy findings of Planning Code section 101.1. Said Motion *is incorporated herein by reference and a copy of such motion* is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. <u>031321</u>; and,

WHEREAS, On August 12, 2003 and October 14, 2003, the Authority, in Resolutions No. 03-
001 and 03-002, respectively, approved the Projects, including the lease and other related
actions, and found such actions consistent with the Golden Gate Park Master Plan, Concourse Special
Area Plan, and Proposition J (adopted June 2, 1998 and codified in San Francisco Administrative
Code Appendix 41). Said Resolutions are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No.
031321 ; and

WHEREAS, On August 28 October 16, 2003, the Recreation and Park Commission reviewed and considered the Projects, and in Resolution No. \_\_0310-014 \_\_\_\_ found that the Projects were consistent with the Golden Gate Park Master Plan, Concourse Special Area Plan, and Proposition J. Said Resolution is incorporated herein by reference and a copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. \_\_\_031321\_\_\_\_; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reviewed and considered Planning Commission

Motion No. \_\_\_\_\_ certifying the FEIR, this Board finds that the FEIR is adequate, accurate,

and objective, and reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the Board, and this Board hereby

affirms the Planning Commission's certification of the FEIR; and,

evidence in light of the whole record that since the Board of Supervisors' September 16, 2003

action on the FEIR: (1) modifications incorporated into the Project and reflected in the Actions
will not require important revisions to the FEIR due to the involvement of new significant
environmental effects or substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant
effects; (2) no substantial changes have occurred with respect to the circumstances under
which the Project or the Actions were undertaken which would require major revisions to the
FEIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects, or a substantial
increase in the severity of effects identified in the FEIR; and (3) no new information of

substantial importance to the Project or the Actions has become available since the Planning Commission action which would indicate (a) the Project or the Actions will have significant effects not discussed in the FEIR; (b) significant environmental effects will be substantially more severe; (c) mitigation measures or alternatives found not feasible which would reduce one or more significant effects have become feasible; or (d) mitigation measures or alternatives which are considerably different from those in the FEIR would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reviewed and considered the FEIR and hereby adopts the *Project CEQA* Findings attached hereto as Attachment A and its Exhibits 1 (FEIR Mitigation Measures) and 2 (Golden Gate Park Concourse Authority Project Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program) , *and incorporates the same herein by this reference*; and, be it

FURTHER RESOVLED, That the Board of Supervisors reviewed and considered the Planning Commission's General Plan and Planning Code section 101.1 consistency findings and the Recreation and Park Commission's Golden Gate Park Master Plan findings and hereby adopts said findings as its own as though fully set forth herein.



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## Resolution

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**Date Passed:** 

Resolution adopting environmental findings pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, State Guidelines, and Administrative Code Chapter 31; and adopting General Plan and Planning Code Section 101.1 findings in connection with the Golden Gate Park Concourse Authority Projects.

November 18, 2003 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 7 - Dufty, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin, Sandoval

Noes: 2 - Daly, Gonzalez

Absent: 1 - Hall

Excused: 1 - Ammiano

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on November 18, 2003 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

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**Date Approved** 

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Clerk of the Board