SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 15-091

WHEREAS, The City, through the SFMTA, is responsible for efficiently controlling and removing illegally parked and abandoned vehicles, in order to maximize the amount of on-street parking, manage traffic congestion and maintain clean, safe and functional streets; and,

WHEREAS, On July 31, 2005, the SFMTA executed SFMTA Contract #2013-45 with San Francisco AutoReturn to manage a network of ten local and Bay Area towing firms that provide towing support for the SFMTA and the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) and Appendix C, a license agreement for a long-term storage facility at Pier 70; and,

WHEREAS, In addition, the Contractor secured a separate license with Caltrans for the primary storage lot that contains the customer service center where the majority of the public retrieves their vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, The agreement was extended for five years in 2010; and

WHEREAS, In May 2014 Appendix C was replaced with Appendix H when both Boards approved transferring the long-term storage facility from Pier 70 to 2650 Bayshore Blvd.; and,

WHEREAS, The agreement will expire on July 31, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA requires an additional eight months to release the RFP, negotiate the contract and transfer leasing of the primary storage lot from the Contractor to the SFMTA; and,

WHEREAS, In order to pay for an increase to the primary storage facility lease amount from \$36,379 per month to \$90,000 per month the SFMTA will allow the Contractor to offset its rent of \$147,985.76 per month at the Bayshore facility by \$53,000 per month, for a total of \$424,000 during the eight-month extension period; and

WHEREAS, In November 2014, the Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. 432-14, urging the SFMTA to evaluate the feasibility of waiving or otherwise mitigating towing and storage fees for individual members of the public whose vehicles were towed and identified by the SFPD as stolen; and,

WHEREAS, Waiving the contractor's towing and storage fees for individuals whose vehicles have been stolen will result in the SFMTA having to reimburse AutoReturn; and the SFMTA would no longer receive administrative fees currently paid by non-San Francisco residents whose vehicles were stolen, at a cost of approximately \$1 million annually; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed approval actions are categorically exempt from Environmental Review (Class 1 Operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors authorizes the Director or his designee to execute the Second Amendment to San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Contract No. 2013-45, the Amended and Restated Towing Agreement with TEGSCO, LLC, dba San Francisco AutoReturn for towing and storage of illegally-parked and abandoned vehicles, to extend the Agreement by eight months to March 31, 2016 at no additional cost to the City, pending Board of Supervisors approval; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves the First Amendment to Appendix H of San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Contract No. 2013-45, the Property Use License for Towing, Storage and Disposal of Abandoned and Illegally Parked Vehicles, at 2650 Bayshore Blvd, Daly City, CA for long-term storage and lien sales of towed vehicles, to extend the License eight months to March 31, 2016, and to allow San Francisco AutoReturn to deduct \$53,000 from the monthly rent of the Licensed facility to cover the increased monthly rent assessed by Caltrans for the customer service center and primary vehicle storage facility at 7th Street; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors approves a policy for stolen vehicles of waiving SFMTA administrative towing and storage fees and the contractor's towing fee, and granting a 72-hour grace period before the contractor's storage fees begin to accrue.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 16, 2015.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency