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[Reversing the Categorical Exemption Determination - Proposed Commuter Shuttle Permit Program]

Motion reversing the determination by the Planning Department that the proposed San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Commuter Shuttle Permit Program is categorically exempt from environmental review.

WHEREAS, On October 22, 2015, the Planning Department determined that the proposed San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency ("SFMTA") Commuter Shuttle Permit Program ("Project") is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), the CEQA Guidelines, and San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 31; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA affirmed the Planning Department determination that the SFMTA Commuter Shuttle Permit Program is exempt from environmental review under CEQA on November 17, 2015, by SFMTA Resolution No. 15-161; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project would regulate commuter shuttle activity on San Francisco streets by continuing and expanding the guidelines and requirements established for the 18-month, SFMTA Commuter Shuttle Pilot Program implemented between August 2014 and January 2016; and

WHEREAS, Under the proposed project SFMTA would issue permits to eligible commuter shuttle operations for use of public curb space, including designated passenger loading zones and bus stops and construct capital improvements, such as transit boarding islands and curb extensions ("bulb-outs"); and

WHEREAS, By letter to the Clerk of the Board, received by the Clerk's Office on December 17, 2015, Rebecca L. Davis, of Lozeau Drury LLP, on behalf of the Coalition for Fair, Legal and Environmental Transit; Service Employees International Union Local Union

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1021 ("SEIU 1021"); Sue Vaughan, and Robert Planthold (collectively, "Appellants") appealed the exemption determination; and

WHEREAS, The Appellants provided a copy of the Planning Department's Categorical Exemption Determination, signed October 22, 2015, which found that the proposed project was exempt under Class 1 and Class 8 of the CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Reg. Sections 15301 and 15308); Appellants also provided a copy of the SFMTA Resolution No. 15-161; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department's Environmental Review Officer, by memorandum to the Clerk of the Board dated December 21, 2015, determined that the appeal was timely filed; and

WHEREAS, On January 26, 2016, this Board held a duly noticed public hearing to consider the appeal of the exemption determination filed by Appellants and, following the public hearing, affirmed the exemption determination; and

WHEREAS, In reviewing the appeal of the exemption determination, this Board reviewed and considered the exemption determination, the appeal letter, the responses to the appeal documents that the Planning Department prepared, the other written records before the Board of Supervisors and all of the public testimony made in support of and opposed to the exemption determination appeal; and

WHEREAS, Following the conclusion of the public hearing, the Board of Supervisors affirmed the exemption determination for the project based on the written record before the Board of Supervisors as well as all of the testimony at the public hearing in support of and opposed to the appeal; and

WHEREAS, The written record and oral testimony in support of and opposed to the appeal and deliberation of the oral and written testimony at the public hearing before the Board of Supervisors by all parties and the public in support of and opposed to the appeal of

the exemption determination is in the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors File No. <u>151269</u> and is incorporated in this motion as though set forth in its entirety; now, therefore, be it

MOVED, That this Board of Supervisors reverses the determination by the Planning Department that the project is exempt from environmental review.

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