

1 [Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - Association of Bay Area Governments - Bay Area
2 Regional Network - Energy Efficiency Program Implementation - \$2,948,331]

3 **Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of the Environment to accept and**
4 **expend grant funds from the Association of Bay Area Governments in the amount of**
5 **\$2,948,331 to perform energy efficiency program implementation, as part of the Bay**
6 **Area Regional Energy Network Program, an energy efficiency program, for the term of**
7 **January 1, 2019, to December 31, 2019.**

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9 WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco (City) is a member of the
10 Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG); and

11 WHEREAS, The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) ruled in Decision (“D”)
12 D.18-05-041 (05/2018) to approve the Bay Area Regional Energy Network’s (BayREN) “2018-
13 2025 Energy Efficiency Business Plan,” thereby continuing its “Program Administrator” status
14 so it may continue to administer ratepayer-funded energy efficiency programs in all nine (9)
15 Member Counties; and

16 WHEREAS, BayREN submitted its 2018 Compliance Filing (October 29, 2018) to the
17 Energy Division (ED) of the CPUC, requesting a total budget of \$23,950,000, with energy
18 savings goals of 2,559,124-kWh and 230,000 therms of natural gas; and

19 WHEREAS, The CPUC recognized that the BayREN program can provide greater
20 opportunities for the participating counties to develop more innovative programs that better
21 serve the ratepayers; and

22 WHEREAS, The CPUC stated in Advice Letter 9-E, amongst other things, approval of
23 its 2019 BayREN Program Implementation Plan (PIP) and the budget to fund implementation
24 of the PIP; and

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1 WHEREAS, In 2013, the CPUC ruled in D.13-11-005 (November 14, 2013) that Pacific
2 Gas & Electric (PG&E) will serve as the fiscal agent for BayREN and the CPUC provides
3 oversight of the program content; and

4 WHEREAS, In 2013, ABAG and PG&E entered into a Master Services Agreement
5 (MSA); and

6 WHEREAS, In 2018, ABAG received the ratepayer funds of \$19,205,617 through the
7 MSA with PG&E; and

8 WHEREAS, BayREN will continue implementing programs to provide technical
9 assistance and financing to the commercial and residential sectors and education and training
10 to construction contractors and building code officials; and

11 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Board of Supervisors adopted goals for reductions in
12 greenhouse gas emissions; and

13 WHEREAS, The Department of the Environment continues to play a key role in the
14 development of the concepts and plans for all the elements of the BayREN program; and

15 WHEREAS, The Department of Environment is already performing energy efficiency
16 programs for greenhouse gas reductions, providing technical assistance to the commercial
17 and residential sectors and creating local jobs; and

18 WHEREAS, The Department of the Environment has built upon its extensive
19 experience with commercial and multifamily building energy efficiency retrofits, playing a key
20 role in the development of the BayREN Multifamily Subprogram; and

21 WHEREAS, The Department of the Environment is the Lead Agency of the BayREN
22 Commercial Subprogram; and

23 WHEREAS, A successful BayREN program from 2013 to present has led to continued
24 funding in future years; and

1 WHEREAS, ABAG awarded grant funds of \$511,017 to the City for the 2018 BayREN
2 programs and that grant was approved by the Board of Supervisors under Resolution No.
3 0056-18 (enacted 02/10/18); and

4 WHEREAS, The term of the grant is from January 01, 2019 to December 31, 2019; and

5 WHEREAS, A request for retroactive approval is being sought because the Department
6 did not receive final approval from the funder until December 17, 2018; and

7 WHEREAS, The grant allows for Indirect costs in the additional award of \$199,098,
8 included in the budget; and

9 WHEREAS, The Department of Environment will utilize existing staff hired under the
10 American Reinvestment and Recovery Act that continued working under the 2013-18 BayREN
11 contract; and

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

14 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Director of the Department
15 of the Environment to retroactively accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$2,948,331
16 from ABAG to for continuation of the BayREN program implementation activities in San
17 Francisco.

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20 Recommended:

Approved: _____

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Mayor

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Approved: _____

24 Department Head

Controller, Grant Division

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