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[Authorizing the Acquisition of Fee Simple Interest By Eminent Domain for Central Subway/Third Street Light Rail Extension - 266-286 4th Street]

Resolution authorizing the acquisition of a fee simple interest in real property commonly known as 266-286 4th Street, San Francisco, California, Assessor's Parcel No. Block 3733, Lot 093, by eminent domain for the public purpose of constructing the Central Subway/Third Street Light Rail Extension and other improvements; adopting environmental findings under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and Administrative Code Chapter 31; and adopting findings of consistency with the General Plan and City Planning Code Section 101.1.

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) plans to construct a continuation of the T-Third Light Rail Vehicle line from the Caltrain Station at Fourth and King Streets to an underground station in Chinatown and other improvements (the "Project") to create a critical transportation improvement linking neighborhoods in the southeastern portion of the City and County of San Francisco (the "City") with the retail and employment centers in the City's downtown and Chinatown neighborhoods, a public use, and will require an interest in the real property described herein to construct the Project tunnels that will connect the Project's three subway stations and provide direct rail service to the City's Financial District and Chinatown neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, The Project's primary objectives are to provide direct rail service to regional destinations, including the City's Chinatown, Union Square, Moscone Convention Center, Yerba Buena, SoMa and AT&T Park neighborhoods; connect BART and Caltrain; serve a low-auto-ownership population of transit customers; increase transit use and reduce travel time; reduce air and noise pollution and provide congestion relief; and

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WHEREAS, California Government Code Sections 25350.5 and 37350.5 authorize the City's Board of Supervisors to acquire any property necessary to carry out any of the powers or functions of the City by eminent domain; and

WHEREAS, The City requires the fee simple interest in the real property commonly known as 266-286 4th Street, San Francisco, California, Assessor's Parcel No. Block 3773, Lot 093 (the "Subject Property"), which is more particularly described in Exhibit A and shown in Exhibit B (the "Project Alignment"), copies of which are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. _____ and incorporated herein by this reference, for the construction and improvement of the Project; and

WHEREAS, On August 7, 2008, the City's Planning Commission certified that the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report ("Final Supplemental EIR") for the Central Subway/Third Street Light Rail Phase 2 was in compliance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines in Planning Commission Motion No. 17668. Motion No. 17668 is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. ______ and is incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, On August 19, 2008, the SFMTA's Board of Directors, by Resolution No. 08-150, approved the Project, adopted CEQA Findings, including a Statement of Overriding Considerations and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) as required by CEQA. Resolution No. 08-150 is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. _____ and is incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, On September 16, 2008, the City's Board of Supervisors (this "Board") adopted Motion No. 08-145, in Board File No. 081138, affirming the City's Planning Department decision to certify the Final Supplemental EIR. Motion No. 08-145 is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 100837 and is incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, SFMTA staff obtained an appraisal of the Subject Property in compliance with California Government Code Section 7267 et seq. and all related statutory procedures for possible acquisition of the Subject Property, submitted an offer to the Subject Property owner of record to purchase the Subject Property as required by California Government Code Section 7267.2 on January 12, 2010, and continues to negotiate the possible acquisition of the Subject Property with the Subject Property owner of record; and

WHEREAS, On April 9, 2010, the City's Planning Department found the acquisition of the Subject Property for the Project to be consistent with the General Plan and the Eight Priority Policies of City Planning Code Section 101.1 to the extent applicable; and

WHEREAS, On April 15, 2010, the City's Planning Department found that there have been no substantial changes proposed for the Project that would require major revisions to the Final Supplemental EIR or that would result in significant environmental impacts that were not evaluated in the Final Supplemental EIR; and no new information has become available that was not known and could not have been known at the time the Final Supplemental EIR was certified as complete and that would result in significant environmental impacts not evaluated in the Final Supplemental EIR; and

WHEREAS, On April 20, 2010, the SFMTA's Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 10-049, in which it found that (a) the Project will assist SFMTA in meeting the objectives of Goal No. 1 of the SFMTA Strategic Plan (to provide safe, accessible, clean, environmentally sustainable service and encourage the use of auto-alternative modes through the Transit First policy), of Goal No. 2 (to improve transit reliability), of Goal No. 3 (to improve economic vitality through improved regional transportation), and of Goal No. 4 (to ensure the efficient and effective use of resources); (b) the Subject Property is needed to construct and operate the Project; (c) SFMTA has limited any potential private injury; and (d) the acquisition

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and use of the Subject Property for construction and operation of the Project is compatible with the existing uses of the Subject Property and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, On April 20, 2010, the SFMTA Board of Directors, by SFMTA Resolution No. 10-049, authorized the SFMTA Executive Director/CEO to request that this Board hold a duly noticed public hearing, as required by State law, to consider the adoption of a Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition of the Subject Property for its appraised fair market value and, if this Board adopts such Resolution of Necessity, to take such actions that are consistent with the City's Charter and all applicable law to proceed to acquire the Subject Property; and

WHEREAS, This Board finds and determines that each person whose name and address appears on the last equalized County Assessment Roll notice as an owner of the Subject Property has been given notice and a reasonable opportunity to appear and be heard on this date on the matter referred to in California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1240.030 in accordance with California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1245.235; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That by at least a two-thirds vote of this Board under California Code of Civil Procedure Sections 1240.030 and 1245.230, this Board finds and determines each of the following:

- 1. The public interest and necessity require the proposed Project;
- 2. The proposed Project is planned and located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury;
 - 3. The Subject Property sought to be acquired is necessary for the Project;
- 4. The offer required by California Government Code Section 7267.2 has been made to the Subject Property owner of record; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That to the extent that any portion of the Subject Property sought to be acquired is presently appropriated to a public use, the purpose for which the acquisition and use of the Subject Property is sought, namely, for construction and operation

of the Project, is a more necessary public use under Section 1240.610 of the California Code of Civil Procedure; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That to the extent that any portion of the Subject Property is presently appropriated to a public use, the purpose for which the acquisition and use of the Subject Property is sought, namely, for construction and operation of the Project, is a compatible public use under Section 1240.510 of the California Code of Civil Procedure; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to commence proceedings in eminent domain against the Subject Property owner of record and any and all interests therein or claims thereto for the condemnation thereof for the public use of the City; together with the authorization and direction to take any actions or comply with any legal procedures to obtain an order for immediate possession for all or a portion of the Subject Property as depicted in Exhibit A and Exhibit B, in conformity with existing or amended law; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board has reviewed and considered the Final Supplemental EIR and record as a whole, finds that the action taken herein is within the scope of the Project and activities evaluated in the Final Supplemental EIR, and that the Final Supplemental EIR is adequate for its use by the decision-making body for the action taken herein; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board finds that since the Final Supplemental EIR was finalized, there have been no substantial Project changes and no substantial changes in Project circumstances that would require major revisions to the Final Supplemental EIR due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or an increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts, and there is no new information of substantial

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importance that would change the conclusions set forth in the Final Supplemental EIR; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board hereby adopts as its own and incorporates by reference herein, as though fully set forth, the findings of the Planning Department that the acquisition of the Subject Property is consistent with the General Plan and the Eight Priority Policies of City Planning Code Section 101.1; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board adopts as its own and incorporates by reference herein, as though fully set forth, each of the findings made by the SFMTA in adopting Resolution No. 10-049 on April 20, 2010.

RECOMMENDED:

SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY

Nathaniel P. Ford Sr. Executive Director/CEO

> Pursuant to SFMTA Resolution No. 10-049

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By: Inomas S. Lakritz
Deputy City Attorney

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

EXHIBIT "A"

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Parcel A:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the Southeasterly line of Clementina Street and the Southwesterly line of 4th Street; running thence Southwesterly and along said line of Clementina Street 80 feet; thence at a right angle Southeasterly 80 feet; thence at a right angle Northeasterly 80 feet to the Southwesterly line of 4th Street; thence at a right angle Northwesterly along said line of 4th Street 80 feet to the point of beginning.

Being a portion of 100 Vara Block No. 373.

Parcel 8:

Beginning at a point on the Southwesterly line of 4th Street, distant thereon 55 feet Northwesterly from the Northwesterly line of Folsom Street; running thence Northwesterly and along said line of 4th Street 25 feet; thence at a right angle Southwesterly 80 feet; thence at a right angle Southeasterly 25 feet; thence at a right angle Northeasterly 80 feet to the point of beginning.

Being a portion of 100 Yara Block No. 373.

Parcel C:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the Northwesterly line of Folsom Street and the Southwesterly line of 4th Street; running thence Northwesterly along said line of 4th Street 55 feet; thence at a right angle Southwesterly 80 feet; thence at a right angle Southeasterly 55 feet to said line of Folsom Street; thence Northeasterly along said line of Folsom Street 80 feet to the point of beginning.

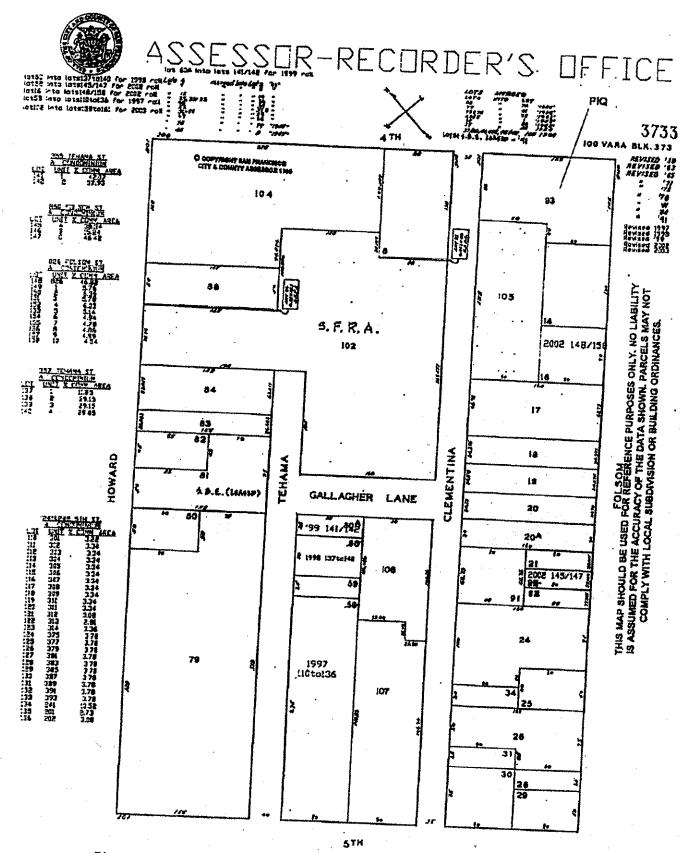
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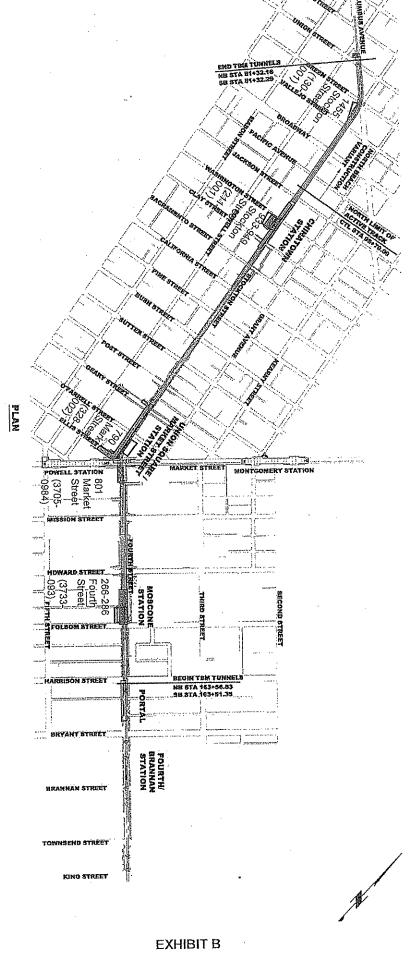
Beginning at a point on the Northwesterly line of Folsom Street, distant thereon 80 feet Southwesterly from the Southwesterly line of 4th Street; running thence Southwesterly along said line of Folsom Street 25 feet; thence at a right angle Northwesterly 80 feet; thence at a right angle Northeasterly 25 feet; and thence at a right angle Southeasterly 80 feet to the point of beginning.

Being a portion of 100 Vara Block No. 373.

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- 2. Central Subway Project/Real Estate Acquisitions for Right-of-Way and Stations PowerPoint presentation, July 27, 2010
- 3. Map of Central Subway Project Alignment
- 4. Legal Description and diagram of 266-286 4th Street (Assessor's Parcel No. Block 3733, Lot 093)
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- 6. San Francisco City Planning Commission, Motion No. M-17668
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- 11. May 4, 2009 Determination from the San Francisco Planning Department, in Planning Case No. 2008.084R (General Plan Referral), including Application for General Plan Referral
- 12. April 9, 2010 Determination from the San Francisco Planning Department, in Planning Case No. 2008.084R (General Plan Referral)
- 13. San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors, Resolution No. 10-049
- 14. February 24, 2009 Letter from John Funghi to Conoco Phillips Company, with Property Acquisition Information Brochure ("The Use of Eminent Domain By the City and County of San Francisco")
- 15. April 7, 2009 Letter from John Funghi to Laurie D'Alessandro, Director of Real Estate, Pacific Convenience & Fuels, LLC, with Property Acquisition Information Brochure ("The Use of Eminent Domain By the City and County of San Francisco")
- 16. October 30, 2009 Letter from Kerstin Magary to Hamilton Tran, General Counsel, Pacific Convenience & Fuels, LLC, including draft license agreement
- 17. November 17, 2009 Letter from Leslie T. Rogers, Regional Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, to Nathaniel P. Ford
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- 19. March 1, 2010 Letter from Kerstin Magary to Convenience Retailers LLC
- 20. March 12, 2010 Letter from John Funghi to Hamilton Tran, Convenience Retailers LLC
- 21. April 20, 2010 Letter from Marcos D. Velayos, Park & Velayos, LLP, counsel fro Pacific Convenience and Fuels, LLC, to Tom Nolan, Chairman of the SFMTA Board of Directors
- 22. Notice of Public Hearing ("Public Hearing to consider Property Acquisition Eminent Domain"), including Proof of Service