

As amended
In Committee
11/8/07

1 [Golden Gate Park—Authorization to Construct Skate Park.]

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3 **Ordinance making environmental findings and authorizing the creation of a skate park**
4 **in the area known as "~~the horseshoe pits~~" block of Waller Street in Golden Gate Park,**
5 **between Stanyan Street and Kezar Drive, pursuant to Charter Section 4.113.**

6 Note: Additions are single-underline italics Times New Roman;
7 deletions are ~~strikethrough italics Times New Roman~~.
8 Board amendment additions are double underlined.
9 Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

9 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

10 Section 1. **Findings.** The Planning Department has determined that the actions
11 contemplated in this Ordinance are in compliance with the California Environmental Quality
12 Act (California Public Resources Code sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file
13 with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 070134 and is incorporated herein by
14 reference.

15 Skateboarding continues to grow as a recreational activity in San Francisco, and the
16 City, in addition to enforcing restrictions on the use of inappropriate public space, needs to
17 find locations for skateboarders to practice and demonstrate their skills. The competitive draw
18 of challenging City monuments and fixtures results in continuing damage to City property and
19 ongoing, expensive repairs. While various barriers erected on benches, retaining walls and
20 steps are somewhat of a deterrent, the creation of an inviting and challenging skate park will
21 offer an alternative venue, and work to balance the prohibitions against skateboarding in other
22 areas.

23 Recently, the Recreation and Park Department created a skate park at Crocker
24 Amazon, and another is under construction at Potrero del Sol/La Raza Park. A skate park is
25 now needed for Golden Gate Park. Unfortunately, the Music Concourse has become a

1 popular skateboarding venue resulting in significant damage to the recently restored historic
2 park fixtures. The old horseshoe pits, located in the northeastern corner of block of Waller
3 Street within the Park, between Stanyan Street and Kezar Drive, presents a potentially
4 suitable alternative skateboarding location. In the 1960s, a horseshoe facility was built at
5 ~~Stern Grove, since that time, the horseshoe pits in Golden Gate Park have been unused and~~
6 ~~fallen into disrepair.~~ The development and construction of challenging skate park in this area
7 will offer a viable alternative to skateboarding in the Music Concourse and will revitalize an
8 underutilized area of Golden Gate Park.

9 Section 2. Pursuant to San Francisco Charter Section 4.113(1), the Board of
10 Supervisors hereby authorizes the creation of a skate park to be built in the block of Waller
11 Street within area of Golden Gate Park, between Stanyan Street and Kezar Drive, known as
12 "the horseshoe pits". Within ninety (90) days of the adoption of this ordinance the Recreation
13 and Park Department shall submit to the Board of Supervisors a funding and design plan for
14 the creation of a skate park. The design of such a skate park is subject to the approval of the
15 Recreation and Park Commission, in conformance with the Golden Gate Park Master Plan,
16 and all other applicable land use requirements. The Recreation and Park Department shall
17 begin construction of the skate park within six months after (a) the design is finally approved
18 by the Recreation and Park Commission, ~~or~~ and (b) adequate funding is appropriated for such
19 project, ~~whichever occurs later.~~

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

23 By: 
24 VIRGINIA DARIO ELIZONDO
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File Number: 070134

Date Passed: August 17, 2007

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December 11, 2007 Board of Supervisors — PASSED ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Maxwell,
McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

January 8, 2008 Board of Supervisors — FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Maxwell,
McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

File No. 070134

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance
was **FINALLY PASSED** on January 8, 2008
by the Board of Supervisors of the City and
County of San Francisco.



Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

1.14.08

Date Approved



Mayor Gavin Newsom