

1 [Skateboarding Task Force]

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3 **Resolution establishing a Skateboarding Task Force ~~to that will~~ provide policy**  
 4 **recommendation and advise the Board of Supervisors, Recreation and Park**  
 5 **Department, Police Department, San Francisco Unified School District, Port of San**  
 6 **Francisco and Youth Commission regarding skateboarding policies, issues and**  
 7 **activities, and ~~to~~ serve as the designated official advisory body regarding ~~on~~ skateboarding**  
 8 **issues for ~~in~~ the City and County of San Francisco.**

9 Note: Additions are single-underline italics Times New Roman;  
 10 deletions are ~~strikethrough italics Times New Roman~~.  
 11 Board amendment additions are double underlined.  
 12 Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

12 WHEREAS, Skateboarding is an activity that has provided constructive recreation and  
 13 efficient transportation for all persons, young and old, and,

14 WHEREAS, Due to the lack of available activities and facilities for recreation within San  
 15 Francisco geared towards youth, as well as the high air pollution rate and congested city  
 16 streets, it is imperative that the City support existing means of recreation that is constructive  
 17 and meaningful to the wellbeing of its citizens; and,

18 WHEREAS, San Francisco hailed as a primary municipality for skateboarding and  
 19 alternative sports, was twice home to the X Games, an alternative sporting event spotlighting  
 20 and publicizing the sports of skateboarding, in-line skating and BMX biking; and,

21 WHEREAS, Many San Franciscans in light of its notoriety partake in this activity daily,  
 22 pursuing skateboarding as a means of recreation and transportation; and,

23 WHEREAS, Despite its widespread popularity, skateboarding is currently prohibited on  
 24 San Francisco residential and business districts, under San Francisco Traffic Code pursuant to  
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1 Section 100 ~~of the San Francisco Traffic Code and thus~~ restrictions and penalties are instituted  
2 ~~on~~ those who utilize this means of recreation and transportation; and,

3 WHEREAS, Throughout the last 5 years, hundreds of youth and adults have been  
4 arrested, fined and had their skateboards confiscated due to their pursuit of skateboarding on  
5 San Francisco streets; and,

6 WHEREAS, Despite general sentiments of concern and anger over public defacement  
7 and dangerous behavior, many municipalities throughout the United States, including  
8 Portland, Oregon, have retracted their prohibitions on skateboarding and embraced the act as  
9 a positive means of transportation and recreation; and,

10 WHEREAS, In light of existing policies prohibiting skateboarding, on April 11, 2002, the  
11 San Francisco Youth Commission held a hearing regarding existing policies and actions on  
12 the part of eCity departments in addressing the act of skateboarding, and the need for  
13 collaborative reform; and,

14 WHEREAS, This hearing was well attended by eCity representatives and youth, and  
15 the general focus of this discussion was the need for collaboration and the establishment of a  
16 public process in which eCity departments and the public can address existing policies and  
17 work to bring resolution to concerns and issues resulting from these policies and actions; and,

18 WHEREAS, At this hearing, representatives from eCity departments suggested and  
19 supported the concept of establishing an advisory committee regarding skateboarding issues  
20 in San Francisco, ~~to provide for the ability for~~ allow the community, youth and adults, as well as  
21 eCity officials and departments, to work collaboratively and develop concrete  
22 recommendations and concepts so that these departments can develop strategic plans and  
23 establish efforts to make San Francisco more "skateboarding friendly"; and,

24 WHEREAS, City departments and members of the community have been in  
25 collaboration for many years to bring resolution to concerns and issues regarding the eCity's

1 prohibition of skateboarding and its aggressive measures to prosecute violators of this law, as  
2 well as the acts of public defacement that skateboarders have attributed to in light of  
3 inadequate skating facilities; and,

4 WHEREAS, Numerous departments and officials have expressed interest in working  
5 with community stakeholders to address their concerns ~~regarding policies and actions~~ affecting  
6 skateboarders, as well as ~~providing for~~ ~~provide for the ability for~~ the community to directly  
7 become engaged in the process of establishing new policies and activities regarding  
8 skateboarding, including ~~Traffic Code Section 100 discussion regarding the existing prohibition~~ and  
9 the ~~establishing establishment~~ of more public skating facilities in San Francisco; and,

10 WHEREAS, ~~Although this interest in collaboration has yielded to reforms in the City's~~  
11 ~~skateboarding policies and actions,~~ ~~There is still a crucial need in light of the continued enforcement~~  
12 ~~of the existing prohibition, and the lack of effective change within the process, as well as the lack of~~  
13 ~~true community involvement within the civic process,~~ to establish a more formalized and  
14 representative ~~process~~ ~~voice~~ to ensure the fair representation and involvement of all  
15 stakeholders regarding this issue; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
17 ~~does~~ hereby ~~establishes~~ a Skateboarding Task Force (hereinafter called "~~T~~~~ask~~ ~~f~~~~Force~~") ~~that~~  
18 ~~will~~ provide policy recommendations and advise the Board of Supervisors, Recreation and  
19 Park Department, Police Department, San Francisco Unified School District, Port of San  
20 Francisco and Youth Commission regarding skateboarding policies, issues, and activities, and  
21 ~~to~~ serve as the ~~designated official~~ advisory body ~~regarding on~~ skateboarding issues ~~for in~~ the  
22 City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That ~~the this~~ ~~T~~~~ask~~ ~~f~~~~Force~~ shall be subject to the ~~requirements~~  
24 ~~mandates~~ of the Sunshine Ordinance and ~~applicable local~~ open meeting laws; and, be it

1            FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Office of the Clerk Task Force shall implement any legally  
2 mandated public notice requirements in conjunction with the Youth Commission and the  
3 Recreation and Parks Department; and, be it

4            FURTHER RESOLVED, That ~~the this t~~Task fForce shall be advisory to and provide  
5 consistent policy recommendations to City these said departments, Board of Supervisors and  
6 Youth Commission regarding ~~issues relevant to~~ skateboarding, in-line skating, and BMX biking  
7 in the City and County of San Francisco, and, be it

8            FURTHER RESOLVED, That the membership of ~~the this t~~Task fForce shall be  
9 comprised of:

10           One (1) ~~ex-officio,~~ voting representative of the Recreation and Park Department or  
11 his/her designee, to serve a three-year term;

12           One (1) ~~ex-officio,~~ voting representative of the San Francisco Police Department or  
13 his/her designee, to serve a three-year term;

14           One (1) ~~ex-officio,~~ voting representative of the San Francisco Unified School District or  
15 his/her designee, to serve a three-year term;

16           One (1) ~~ex-officio,~~ voting representative of the Port of San Francisco or his/her  
17 designee, to serve a three-year term;

18           One (1) voting representative from the skateboarding community knowledgeable about or  
19 possessing previous knowledge of the sport for a period of 5 years, ~~to be~~ appointed by the  
20 Board of Supervisors to serve a three-year term;

21           One (1) voting representative from the in-line skating community knowledgeable about or  
22 possessing previous knowledge of the sport for a period of 5 years, ~~to be~~ appointed by the  
23 Board of Supervisors to serve a three-year term;

1 One (1) voting representative from the BMX or alternative biking community  
2 ~~knowledgeable about or possessing previous knowledge of~~ the sport for a period of 5 years,  
3 ~~to be~~ appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve a three-year term;

4 One (1) voting representative, with expertise in skateboarding ~~based businesses or and~~  
5 services, ~~to be~~ appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve a three year term;

6 One (1) ~~at-large~~-voting representative ~~from of~~ the business community, with expertise in  
7 skateboarding prevention services, ~~or~~ property management, or insurance services, ~~to~~  
8 ~~be~~ appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve a three year term;

9 One (1) ~~at-large~~-voting representative, with expertise in ~~the~~ real estate or legal fields, ~~to~~  
10 ~~be~~ appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve a three year term;

11 Two (2) voting youth representatives ~~between of the youth community, of~~ the ages of 12-23  
12 years, with expertise in ~~skateboarding advocacy or~~ skateboarding, in-line skating, or BMX  
13 ~~or~~ alternative biking for the last 3 years, ~~to be~~ appointed by the Youth Commission to  
14 serve a three year term

15 Three (3) voting youth representatives ~~of the youth community, of~~ the ages of 12-23 years,  
16 with expertise in ~~skateboarding advocacy or~~ skateboarding, in-line skating, or BMX ~~or~~  
17 ~~alternative~~ biking for the last 3 years, ~~to be~~ appointed by the Youth Commission to  
18 serve a one year term; and, be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED, That in the event a vacancy shall occur during the term of  
20 office of any voting member, a successor shall be appointed to complete the unexpired term  
21 of the office vacated in a manner similar to that which the member was initially appointed;  
22 and, be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED, That ~~the this Task fForce~~ will meet on a regular and consistent  
24 basis in order to develop recommendations and advise the Board of Supervisors,  
25 appropriate city departments and Youth Commission with regards to:

1. The creation and renovation of future and existing public skating facilities within the City and County of San Francisco;
2. ~~Provide recommendations and advice to participating city departments and the Board of Supervisors, in consultation with the Office of City Attorney, regarding the amendment of Eexisting City laws regarding skateboarding, including Traffic Code Section 100 of the San Francisco Traffic Code; and subsequent codes of enforcement~~
3. ~~Provide recommendations, advice and participate in The creation institution of a temporary public skateboarding facility on Pier 24;~~
4. ~~Provide recommendations and oversee The implementation of recommendations for the institution of capital improvement and programmatic plans for of skateboarding facilities and programs;~~
5. ~~Work with participating city departments to draft Aa strategic plan for all City departments and the Board of Supervisors regarding skateboarding and skateboarding programs and activities in San Francisco over a period of 10 years;~~
6. ~~Work with participating city departments to establish Increased efforts for greater more public participation and communication regarding skateboarding programs and activities;~~
7. ~~Work in conjunction with the Police Department to reform its eEnforcement by the San Francisco Police Department of Traffic Code Section 100; procedures of Section 100 of the San Francisco Traffic Code~~
8. ~~Provide recommendations regarding dDepartmental budgets and funding proposed concepts in which departments can allocate funds for specific~~

1 skateboarding based programs and activities, including the expansion of  
2 public skating facilities.

3 9. ~~Provide advice to participating departments regarding n~~New programs and  
4 services ~~that they can provide in order to identify and provide for~~ which recognize  
5 skateboarding ~~being recognized~~ as a positive sport;

6 10. ~~All other~~Serve as the official advisory body regarding skateboarding issues and  
7 activities as they arise in the City and County of San Francisco; and, be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED, That there shall be That the Board of Supervisors ~~Office of the~~  
9 ~~Legislative Analyst will provide administrative and research support to~~ the this tTask fForce, in  
10 ~~conjunction with legislative research support to the Task Force by the Office of the Legislative~~  
11 ~~Analyst and~~ youth leadership development support by the Youth Commission; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That ~~the this tTask fForce~~ will be under the jurisdiction and  
13 authority of the Board of Supervisors, and will abide by existing city law and its own by-laws;  
14 and, be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED, That ~~the this tTask fForce~~ will be governed by a chairperson  
16 and vice-chairperson, one ~~over of which must be above~~ the age of 21 and the other ~~must be~~  
17 under the age of 21; and, be it

18 FURTHER RESOLVED, That members of ~~the this tTask fForce~~ shall must undergo youth  
19 development and leadership training in order to foster an egalitarian ~~and just~~ environment;  
20 and, be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED, That ~~the this tTask fForce~~ should convene upon the passage of this  
22 resolution and will sunset 3 years thereafter after its creation; ~~unless extended by the Board of~~  
23 ~~Supervisors~~; and, be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED, That ~~the this tTask fForce~~ shall must present to the ~~full~~ Board of  
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1 Supervisors ~~upon the end of each calendar year~~ with a report of its findings and  
2 recommendations on an annual basis; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That ~~the this Task Force should~~ shall also report ~~any of its~~  
4 findings and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors, participating eCity departments  
5 and the Youth Commission.

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# City and County of San Francisco

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## Tails Resolution

**File Number:** 021189

**Date Passed:**

Resolution establishing a Skateboarding Task Force to provide policy recommendation, and advise the Board Of Supervisors, Recreation and Park Department, Police Department, San Francisco Unified School District, Port of San Francisco and Youth Commission regarding skateboarding policies, issues and activities, and to serve as the designated advisory body regarding skateboarding issues for the City and County of San Francisco.

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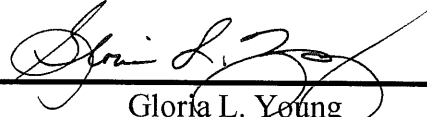
August 26, 2002 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 8 - Daly, Gonzalez, Hall, Leno, Maxwell, Peskin, Sandoval, Yee

Absent: 3 - Ammiano, McGoldrick, Newsom

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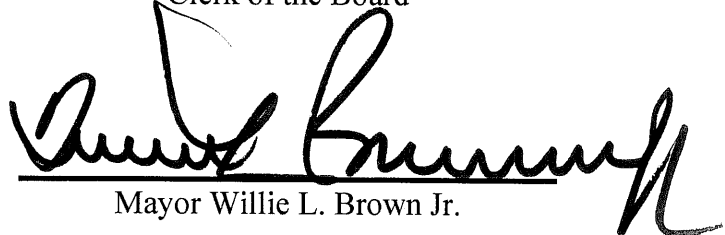
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on August 26, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved



Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.