Resolution amending the Continuum of Care Plan to dissolve the current Local Homeless Coordinating Board and to restructure it to reflect the recently adopted Ten Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness reducing its membership to nine: four appointed by the Mayor; four appointed by the Board of Supervisors; and one appointed by the Controller.

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco's current official homeless policy is Continuum of Care adopted by Resolution No. 720-01; and

WHEREAS, A component of the Continuum of Care Plan was the creation of a Local Homeless Coordinating Board (Local Board) to advise City departments, commissions, and the Board of Supervisors on policy decisions and budget allocations consistent with the Plan; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the Local Board has struggled to fulfill its charge, maintain a quorum, and be viewed as the homeless policy making body for San Francisco, often being overlooked by policy makers when homeless policy was debated; and

WHEREAS, In May 2002, both the Controller and the Civil Grand Jury published reports criticizing the way homeless policy is formulated in San Francisco and recommending dramatic changes to the structure, size and membership of the Local Homeless Coordinating Board; and

WHEREAS, State and federal homeless policy priorities and direction has changed since the completion of the first Continuum of Care Plan in 1996; and
WHEREAS, The Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco established a planning
group in the Spring of 2004 entitled, “The Ten Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness
Council”; and

WHEREAS, The Council published a report in July 2004 with a series of
recommendations aimed at ending chronic homelessness by 2014; and

WHEREAS, Successful implementation of the Ten Year Plan will require integration
and coordination with the Continuum of Care Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Local Board held a retreat in November 2004 with the goal of
restructuring the Board to be a more effective body responsive to the needs of San
Franciscan’s and incorporating the direction of the Ten Year Plan to End Chronic
Homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Following the retreat, the Local Board formed an Ad Hoc committee to
develop a proposal to present to the Board of Supervisors by December 31, 2004 for
reconstituting itself; and

WHEREAS, After exploring best practices by other Local Boards, consulting with
experts in the field and reviewing the Controller’s and Civil Grand Jury reports, the consensus
proposal developed by the Ad Hoc committee and unanimously approved by the Local Board
January 10, 2005 would dissolve the Local Board and reconstitute its membership; and

WHEREAS, The current members of the Local Board believe that this proposal
represents the best opportunity for a revitalized and viable Local Homeless Coordinating
Board in keeping with the City’s goal to end homelessness; and

WHEREAS, This consensus document includes planning assumptions, vision and
mission, goals, the size of the Local Board, appointment process, functions, committee
structure and required staffing levels; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors amends the Continuum of Care Plan to incorporate the recommendations of the above proposal and hereby disbands, effective August 1, 2005, the current Local Board and reconstitutes, effective August 1, 2005, the Local Board to nine members; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors will appoint one member from the disabled community and three members from one of the following constituencies: representatives of homeless, formerly homeless, community and advocacy organizations, service-provider agencies, business and corporate sectors and the foundation community, but will not involve designating specific seats for specific constituencies; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor shall appoint one member from the disabled community and three members from one of the following constituencies: representatives of homeless, formerly homeless, community and advocacy organizations, service-provider agencies, business and corporate sectors and the foundation community, but will not involve designating specific seats for specific constituencies; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Controller shall appoint one member from one of the aforementioned categories, subject to confirmation by the Board of Supervisors; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That staff from the Department of Human Services, the Department of Public Health, the Mayor’s Office of Housing, the Mayor’s Office of Community Development and the Mayor’s Office of Disability will support Local Board efforts, will provide relevant information and act as a resource for the Local Board; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The Local Board shall, on a semi-annual basis, provide a written report to the Board of Supervisors consisting of the following information: updates on the implementation of the Continuum of Care Plan and the Ten Year Plan, the status of the integration and coordination of the Ten Year Plan with the Continuum of Care Plan, the status
of McKinney funding, a report from the Shelter Monitoring Committee and any other policy
issues of which the Local Board wishes to inform the Board of Supervisors; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, it is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that funding for an
Executive Director to the Local Board should be included in this year's budget and the Board
of Supervisors urges the Mayor to include funding for an Executive Director position in the
2005-2006 budget and further urges the Mayor to determine whether any additional staff are
necessary for the Local Board and, if so, to also include in budget the appropriate level of
funding for those potions; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, Members of the Local Board shall serve four year terms at the
pleasure of their appointing officer. To stagger the terms, four members shall serve an initial
term of two years and five members shall serve an initial term of five years. The terms shall
be determined by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors by the drawing of lots.
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March 22, 2005  Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED AS AMENDED
Ayes: 9 - Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
Noes: 2 - Alioto-Pier, Elsbernd
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED AS AMENDED on March 22, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Newsom