Resolution authorizing the San Francisco Port Commission to accept and expend $4,200,000 in grant funds from the Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users ($3,200,000), the Metropolitan Transportation Commission Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Grant ($750,000), and the Association of Bay Area Governments ($250,000) for continued work on the Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge Project

WHEREAS, The Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge Project is located in the Bayview Hunters Point Community within the Southern Waterfront and was originally identified as part of the Port’s overall plans in 1985 to modernize its container handling facilities along the southern waterfront in the area currently known as Pier 80 and Piers 94-96 by providing a direct efficient freight rail spur to Pier 80; and,

WHEREAS, The Bridge will provide additional benefits to the public by providing bicycle and pedestrian access across it and by relieving traffic congestion projected to increase on the Third Street corridor as a result of the Third Street Light Rail project; and,

WHEREAS, the Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) makes federal funding available for city roads and construction projects, and said funds are administered in California by the State of California Department of Transportation ("CALTRANS"); and,

WHEREAS, Effective August 10, 2005, through SAFETEA-LU, Congress earmarked $3.2 million for the Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge Project; and,
WHEREAS, The SAFETEA-LU earmark requires a match of twenty percent, and the Port Commission has identified the required matching funds, and is committed to providing them for this project; and

WHEREAS, In December 2003, as part of the development of the long-range Transportation 2030 Plan, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) created the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Program to fund construction of the Regional Bicycle Network, regionally significant pedestrian projects as well as bicycle/pedestrian projects serving schools or transit; and

WHEREAS, On June 22, 2005, the MTC awarded $750,000 in Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Program funding for construction on both sides of the Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge, which will provide bicycle and pedestrian access ramps to the bridge from existing roadways; and

WHEREAS, The MTC grant requires an 11.47 percent local match, which the Port Commission has identified and is committed to providing for this project; and

WHEREAS, The Bay Trail Project was created for the purpose of selecting, designing, and implementing the creation of a continuous 500-mile recreational corridor around the San Francisco Bay for pedestrians and cyclists; and

WHEREAS, On September 8, 2005, the Bay Trail Project, administered through the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), awarded the Port of San Francisco $250,000 to extend the Bay Trail across the Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge and connect two disjointed portions of the Bay Trail; and,

WHEREAS, The Port Commission by Resolution No. 05-17, dated February 22, 2005 authorized the Port's Executive Director to accept and expend $750,000 in MTC funding for construction work on the Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge Project; and,
WHEREAS, The Port Commission by Resolution No. 05-62, dated September 27, 2005 authorized the Port’s Executive Director to accept and expend $3.2 million in SAFETEA-LU funds, as well as $250,000 in ABAG funds for construction work on the Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge Project; and,

WHEREAS, The Port Commission proposes to maximize use of available grant funds on program expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the San Francisco Port Commission to accept and expend $4.2 million in grant funds, as itemized in this resolution, for construction work on the Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of indirect costs in the grant budgets; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the San Francisco Port Commission to execute any documents required for the implementation of these grants, including any amendments, augmentations or extensions thereof; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Executive Director of the Port, or her designee, is authorized to approve, sign and execute an agreement to hold the granting agencies harmless from liability arising out of the Project.

Recommended:

Approved: 

for Mayor

Controller
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December 13, 2005  Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED
Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
Absent: 1 - Daly
File No. 051978

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on December 13, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Date Approved

Gloria L. Young
Clerk of the Board

Mayor Gavin Newsom