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WHEREAS, City and County of San Francisco ("City") staff and the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society, a California nonprofit corporation, have negotiated a lease disposition and development agreement ("DDA") and a ground lease ("Lease") relating to the Old United States Mint building, located at 88 Fifth Street (the "Old Mint"), which contemplate the renovation and reconstruction of the Old Mint into a mixed-use development anchored by a museum celebrating the history of San Francisco, and including a coin museum with related retail, a relocated San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau, one or more restaurants and cafes and other permitted retail facilities (the "Old Mint Project"); and

WHEREAS, The DDA and Lease are subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors of the City (the "Board of Supervisors"); and

WHEREAS, In connection with the Old Mint Project it has been proposed that an approximately 290-foot-long portion of Jessie Street between Fifth and Mint Streets be closed to vehicular traffic improved to create a pedestrian plaza ("Mint Plaza") enhancing the experience of the visitors to the Old Mint and businesses in the vicinity and providing nearby South of Market residents with an important new public open space amenity; and,

WHEREAS, The closure of such portion of Jessie Street to create a pedestrian plaza and additional improvements to surrounding streets require additional authorization by the
Board of Supervisors and other agencies of the City as well as the execution of related agreements and other legal documentation (collectively, the "Mint Plaza Authorization Documents"); and,

WHEREAS, The improvements to such portion of Jessie Street and surrounding streets are proposed to be financed from the proceeds of one or more issuances of bonds secured by a special tax levied on properties in a Mello-Roos Community Facilities District formed for such purpose (the "CFD"); and,

WHEREAS, Due to the construction schedules of certain of the neighboring properties that are expected to be included in the CFD, it is advisable to seek the formation of the CFD at this time to confirm the proposed financing for the improvements in anticipation of the final approval and/or execution of the Mint Plaza Authorization Documents; and,

WHEREAS, The ABAG Finance Authority for Nonprofit Corporations, a joint exercise of powers agency established under the laws of the State of California (the “Authority”) has been requested to consider the establishment of the CFD and the issuance of such special tax bonds (the “Bonds”) by the CFD to finance the Mint Plaza public improvements (the “Improvements”); and

WHEREAS, The City is a member of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, The Authority’s “Guidelines for Issuance” require that the member of the Authority in whose jurisdiction the CFD will be located adopt a resolution recommending approval of the financing of the Improvements by a CFD created and governed by the Board of Directors of the Authority (acting through its Executive Committee), prior to consideration of the financing and final approval by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, In order to enable the CFD to finance the Improvements, Section 53316.2 of the California Government Code requires that the City and the Authority enter into a joint
community facilities agreement prior to the formation of the CFD with respect to the
Improvements and Section 6586.5(a)(2) of the California Government Code (the “Code”)
requires that this Board hold a public hearing regarding the proposed CFD financing and
make certain findings with respect to the proposed financing; and

WHEREAS, A form of joint community facilities agreement by and between the City
and the Authority relating to the Improvements to be owned or operated by the City (the “Joint
Community Facilities Agreement”) is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (the
"Clerk of the Board") in File No. 061309, which is hereby declared to be a part of this
resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The levying of a special tax within the CFD and the issuance of the Bonds
to finance the Improvements will be subject to the terms of the Mint Plaza Authorization
Documents, if and when such Mint Plaza Authorization Documents are approved and/or
executed; and,

WHEREAS, This Board has on this date held a duly noticed public hearing on the
financing of the Improvements with the proceeds of the Bonds, as required by the Code; and

WHEREAS, It is in the public interest and for the public benefit that this Board
recommend approval of the formation by the Authority of the CFD, the issuance of the Bonds
by the Authority for the CFD to finance the Improvements, and the execution and delivery of
the Joint Community Facilities Agreement by the City and make certain findings in connection
with the financing of the Improvements with proceeds of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, The Board now desires to recommend the approval of the formation by the
Authority of the CFD, the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority for the CFD to finance the
Improvements, the execution and delivery of the Joint Community Facilities Agreement by the

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City and to make findings required under the Code with respect to the financing, all in order to satisfy the Guidelines for Issuance by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, The Board is recommending approval of the formation by the Authority of the CFD, the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority for the CFD to finance the Improvements, the execution and delivery of the Joint Community Facilities Agreement by the City and to make findings required under the Code with respect to the financing in advance of the final approval and/or execution of the requisite Mint Plaza Authorization Documents so that work related to the Improvements can commence as soon as practicable when the Mint Plaza Authorization Documents are finally approved and/or executed; and

WHEREAS, The Board also understands that no Bonds can be issued by the Authority until the Mint Plaza Authorization Documents are approved and/or executed by the City; and

WHEREAS, The City will have no obligation whatsoever with respect to the formation or administration of the CFD, or the issuance or repayment of the Bonds;

WHEREAS, For purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 seq.), the Board incorporates by reference the findings regarding the Old Mint Project, which are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 061225; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Board hereby finds and declares the above recitals are true and correct; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board hereby recommends the approval of the establishment of a CFD by the Board of Directors of the Authority and the issuance of the Bonds by the CFD to finance the Improvements; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Joint Community Facilities Agreement, in the form on file with the Clerk of the Board, is hereby approved, and the Mayor is hereby authorized and
directed to execute and deliver the Joint Community Facilities Agreement in such form
together with any changes thereto deemed necessary by the City Attorney to comply with
applicable law, and this Board hereby declares that the Joint Community Facilities Agreement
will be beneficial to the residents residing and businesses located in the vicinity of the
Improvements; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board hereby finds that significant public benefits will
arise from the financing of the Improvements with the proceeds of the Bonds and from
undertaking the Improvements in a timely fashion as and when such improvements are
authorized, including benefits to the Old Mint Project and other businesses and residents in
the vicinity of the Improvements, all in accordance with Section 6586 of the Code; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board approves the issuance of the Bonds by the
Authority for the CFD, and the financing of the Improvements with the proceeds of the Bonds;,
and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the approval of the formation of a CFD by the Board of
Directors of the Authority and the issuance of the Bonds by the Authority for the CFD to
finance the Improvements is neither an approval of the underlying credit issues of the
proposed financing nor an approval of the financial structure of the Bonds; and, be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the City, to do any and all things and take any and all actions and execute and deliver any and all certificates, agreements and other documents, which they, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable in order to consummate the lawful issuance and delivery of the Bonds and to effectuate the purposes thereof and of the documents herein approved in accordance with this Resolution.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DENNIS J. HERRERA
City Attorney

By: _________________________
MICHAEL J. MARTIN
Deputy City Attorney

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Ayes: 9 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
Absent: 2 - Daly, Dufty
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on October 3, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Date Approved

10/11/2006

Mayor Gavin Newsom