

1 [CEQA Findings for SFPUC Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant Project in Alameda County.]

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3 **Resolution adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"),**
4 **including the adoption of a mitigation monitoring and reporting program and a statement**
5 **of overriding considerations related to the Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant and**
6 **Treated Water Reservoir Project, Water System Improvement Program ("WSIP")-funded**
7 **Project No. CUW38101; and directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to notify the**
8 **Controller of this action.**

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10 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) has developed a
11 project description for the Sunol Valley Water Treatment Plant and Treated Water Reservoir
12 Project, Water System Improvement Program ("WSIP")-funded Project No. CUW38101, a
13 water infrastructure project included as part of the WSIP, located in the Sunol Valley in
14 Alameda County (the "Project"); and

15 WHEREAS, The objectives of the Project are to comply with the California Department
16 of Public Health (CDPH) Compliance Order (Order 02-04-96C-001) to provide treated water
17 storage to serve as a buffer for potential treatment failures at the plant; add redundant
18 facilities to improve treatment reliability by increasing the plant's sustainable capacity to
19 160 million gallons per day (mgd), provide ability to reliably augment water supply with as
20 much as 160 mgd of water from the Alameda Creek watershed during unplanned outages of
21 the Hetch Hetchy supply; and, provide ability to sustainably treat as much as 160 mgd of
22 Hetch Hetchy water at the plant during an unplanned Hetch Hetchy water quality event; and

23 WHEREAS, An environmental impact report ("EIR") as required by the California
24 Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") was prepared for the Project; and

1 WHEREAS, The Final EIR ("FEIR") was certified by the San Francisco Planning
2 Commission on December 3, 2009, by its Motion No. 17992, after the Planning Commission
3 reviewed and considered the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) in Planning
4 Department File No. 2006.0137E; and

5 WHEREAS, The FEIR prepared for the Project is tiered from the Water System
6 Improvement Program Environmental Impact Report ("PEIR") adopted by the San Francisco
7 Public Utilities Commission in Resolution No. 08-200 dated October 30, 2008, as authorized
8 by and in accordance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines; and

9 WHEREAS, On December 8, 2009, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
10 (SFPUC), by Resolution No. 09-0203, a copy of which is included in Board of Supervisors File
11 No. 091478 and which is incorporated herein by this reference: (1) approved the Project;
12 (2) adopted findings (CEQA Findings) and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
13 (MMRP) required by the CEQA; and

14 WHEREAS, The Project files, including the FEIR, PEIR and SFPUC Resolution No. 09-
15 0203 have been made available for review by the Board and the public, and those files are
16 considered part of the record before this Board; and

17 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the information
18 and findings contained in the FEIR, PEIR and SFPUC Resolution No. 09-0203, and all written
19 and oral information provided by the Planning Department, the public, relevant public
20 agencies, SFPUC and other experts and the administrative files for the Project; and

21 WHEREAS, This Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 311-08 that placed
22 Water System Improvement Program appropriated funds on Controller's Appropriation
23 Reserve, by project, making release of appropriation reserves by the Controller subject to the
24 prior occurrence of: (1) the SFPUC's and the Board's discretionary adoption of CEQA
25 Findings for each project, following review and consideration of completed project-related

1 environmental analysis, pursuant to CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of
2 the San Francisco Administrative Code, where required, and (2) the Controller's certification
3 of funds availability, including proceeds of indebtedness. The ordinance also placed any
4 project with costs in excess of \$100 million on Budget and Finance Committee reserve
5 pending review and reserve release by that Committee. Therefore, the SFPUC has sent a
6 letter to the Budget and Finance Committee requesting review and release of the portion of
7 those funds necessary for the Project; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the FEIR
9 and record as a whole, finds that the FEIR is adequate for its use as the decision-making
10 body for the action taken herein, and incorporates the CEQA Findings and MMRP contained
11 in Resolution No. 09-0203 including the Statement of Overriding Considerations by this
12 reference thereto as though set forth in this Resolution; and be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board finds that the Project mitigation measures
14 adopted by the SFPUC will be implemented as reflected in and in accordance with the MMRP;
15 and be it

16 FURTHER RESOLVED, The Board finds that since the FEIR was finalized, there have
17 been no substantial project changes and no substantial changes in Project circumstances that
18 would require major revisions to the FEIR due to the involvement of new significant
19 environmental effects or an increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts,
20 and there is no new information of substantial importance that would change the conclusions
21 set forth in the FEIR; and be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board directs the Clerk of the Board to forward this
23 Resolution to the Controller.
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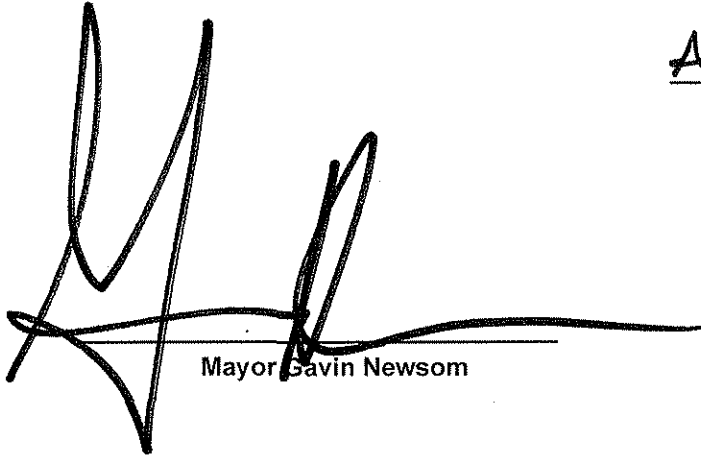
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January 26, 2010 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi
Excused: 1 - Alioto-Pier

File No. 091478

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 1/26/2010 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.



Mayor Gavin Newsom

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved