Resolution making certain findings pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 33445 for the use of tax increment funds for the completion of construction documents, capital improvement costs and construction costs for the Newcomb Avenue Model Block Streetscape Improvements on the 1700 block of Newcomb Avenue in the Bayview Hunters Point Redevelopment Project Area.

WHEREAS, Section 33445 of the California Health and Safety Code authorized a Redevelopment Agency, with the consent of the legislative body to pay for the costs of certain public improvements if the legislative body determines that: 1) the public improvements benefit the project area 2) no other reasonable means of financing the improvements are available to the community, and 3) payments for the improvements will assist in the elimination of blight in the project area and is consistent with the implementation plan; and

WHEREAS, The Bayview Hunters Project Area ("Project Area") was created pursuant to the provisions of the California Community Redevelopment Law (California Health and Safety Code Sections 33000 et. seq.); and

WHEREAS, The Bayview Hunters Point Redevelopment Plan ("Redevelopment Plan") was approved on June 1, 2006 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco by Ordinance No. 113-06; and

WHEREAS, In connection with the adoption of the Redevelopment Plan, the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco ("Agency") has determined that blighting conditions exist within the Project Area and the implementation of various public improvements is an element of the Redevelopment Plan; and
WHEREAS, The Model Block Program ("Model Block Program") is listed as an activity in the five year Implementation Plan for the Redevelopment Plan. The objectives of the Model Block Program are to improve the quality of life for existing homeowners and residents of the Project Area and to preserve the existing housing stock in the community.

WHEREAS, On June 21, 2005 by Resolution No. 112-2005, the Agency Commission authorized the Executive Director to designate the 1700 Block of Newcomb Avenue as the Pilot Block of the Model Block Program.

WHEREAS, The Newcomb Avenue Model Block Streetscape Improvements (the "Project") include a range of public right-of-way streetscape treatments, including stormwater planters, bulbouts, traffic calming chicanes, permeable pavement at on-street parking spaces, landscaped sidewalks, raised crosswalks and new street trees; and

WHEREAS, The Project consist of streetscape treatments that benefits the Project Area by reducing flooding with stormwater treatments, improving public safety through traffic safety enhancements, upgrading the area’s appearance and creating public spaces for community interaction; and

WHEREAS, The total cost of the Project is estimated at $1,251,421. To date, the Agency and Planning Department have received three grants for the Project totaling $651,421. The estimate of tax increment proposed to pay for remaining costs for the Newcomb Avenue Model Block Streetscape Improvements is $600,000; and

WHEREAS, The City’s capital budget does not include funding for this Project and there are no other reasonable means of financing the project; and

WHEREAS, The 1700 Block of Newcomb Avenue is currently blighted by a lack of functional pedestrian sidewalks, uncontrolled stormwater run off and lack of greenery; and

WHEREAS, The Project Area’s Implementation Plan includes streetscape improvements and the Model Block Program; and
WHEREAS, The Project will provide public improvements and assist in the elimination of blighted conditions by improving the pedestrian environment, public safety and upgrading the area's appearance, and is consistent with the Implementation Plan; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 18-2010 was adopted by the Redevelopment Agency Commission on March 2, 2010 authorizing Agency staff to pursue Board of Supervisors approval of findings now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors findings that the Newcomb Avenue Model Block Streetscape Improvements will be of benefit to the Project Area; and that there are no other reasonable means of funding the Project; and that the Project is consistent with the Implementation Plan for the Project Area; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco authorizes the Redevelopment Agency acting through the Executive Director is authorized to expend $600,000 of tax increment funds for the Newcomb Avenue Model Block Streetscape Improvements.
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March 30, 2010 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi
Excused: 1 - Alioto-Pier

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 3/30/2010 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved: 4/08/2010