Resolution establishing an Area Plan Infrastructure Finance Committee to supervise a consultant study to develop policy criteria and recommendations on the use of Infrastructure Finance Districts (IFDs) in newly adopted Area Plans, including within the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans, determine the appropriate steps to form IFDs, and to supervise the formation of a pilot Infrastructure Finance District (IFD) in Rincon Hill.

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors adopted the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans (ENAP, Ordinance No. 297-08) which rezoned portions of the largely industrial neighborhoods of the Mission, Eastern South of Market Area, Central Waterfront, and Showplace Square/Potrero Hill to promote a balanced mix of residential and sustainable commercial development along with a package of public benefits and infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, An ENAP Needs Assessment was prepared which identified specific demands for public infrastructure to accommodate projected new growth and the ENAP impact fees were only projected to meet up to 50% of the projected cost of such new infrastructure, the Board of Supervisors directed the Capital Planning Committee (CPC) to establish a nine-member subcommittee called the Eastern Neighborhoods Infrastructure Finance Working Group (ENIFWG) to recommend funding strategies for the ENAP (Resolution No. 510-08); and,

WHEREAS, The ENIFWG produced and unanimously approved on July 1, 2009, a report entitled Strategies for Funding the Public Improvements in the Eastern Neighborhoods Area Plans (the Strategies Report) that evaluated potential funding alternatives to meet infrastructure needs in the ENAP, and which could be similarly applicable to other recently
adopted Area Plans, and made four recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on how the
City could move forward; and

WHEREAS, The CPC reviewed and unanimously accepted the Strategies Report and
its four recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on July 6, 2009, which
recommendations included: (1) commissioning a consultant study to inform the formation of
an IFD and CFD in the ENAP, including determining the potential boundaries of the IFD and
CFD, appropriate tax rates, appropriate portion of tax increment, and the total estimated
bonding capacity under a variety of growth scenarios; (2) developing a clear statement of
policy criteria to guide the use of an IFD in the ENAP and (3) developing criteria for a potential
future modified IFD tool; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors adopted the Market and Octavia Area Plan,
which rezoned existing use districts to increase residential density near transit and to
encourage the development of diverse housing affordable to a range of incomes and
commercial and mixed-uses along with a package of public benefits and infrastructure
improvements, but noted that to fully fund these improvements other “future revenue streams
must be established” in addition to impact fees; and

WHEREAS, The Community Improvements Program Document, adopted as part of the
Market and Octavia Area Plan, specifically referenced tax increment financing as a possible
funding source to address the anticipated funding gap for public infrastructure improvements,
which the Planning Department estimates could represent up to 50% of the total cost of
needed improvements in the area; and

WHEREAS, The Market and Octavia Citizen Advisory Committee, by resolution on
October 20, 2009, endorsed pursuing a tax increment financing policy in the Plan Area; and
WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has also adopted comprehensive Area Plans in Rincon Hill, Balboa Park and Visitacion Valley which have also rezoned existing use districts to reduce land use conflicts and to encourage diverse housing affordable to a range of incomes and commercial and mixed-uses along with a package of public benefits and infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, The City anticipates significant new housing units and other commercial development within these Plan Areas, and this future development will impact each Plan Area's neighborhood infrastructure by generating greater need for new investment in recreation and open space facilities, transit and transportation improvements, streetscape improvements and community facilities and other improvements identified in the public benefits package for each Area Plan; and

WHEREAS, To ensure that new neighborhood infrastructure is provided concurrently with the demands generated by new growth in both the ENAP and in each of the above listed Area Plans, the lessons learned from the Strategies Report should be applied Citywide on a broader policy basis; and,

WHEREAS, Detailed recommendations on the development of an Infrastructure finance district, including boundaries, revenue projections, and related infrastructure improvements would prepare the City to pursue the establishment of an IFD which would support growth in the Eastern Neighborhoods and move towards completing the Eastern Neighborhoods priority projects identified by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, A project sponsor on Rincon Hill, Harrison Fremont LLC, has recently expressed interest in funding the formation of a pilot IFD in the Rincon Hill Area Plan to help finance the acquisition and construction of a new public park located at 333 Harrison Street.
but the City has not yet adopted clear policy parameters to guide the formation and application of IFDs in new Area Plans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby directs the CPC to establish and appoint a Chair for a new subcommittee called the Area Plan Infrastructure Finance Committee (the "APIF Committee") to (1) manage and oversee a consultant study to inform the formation of an IFD and CFD in the ENAP as recommended by ENIWG, which will include an analysis of any potential fiscal impacts on the General Fund; (2) develop a clear statement of policy criteria to guide the use of IFDs in recently adopted Area Plans as recommended by ENIFWG; (3) supervise the formation of the proposed Rincon Hill Pilot IFD based on the proposed IFD policy criteria: and (4) provide such proposals or recommendations within six (6) months of study initiation; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the APIF Committee include representatives of relevant City agencies and no more than four (4) members of the public; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the representatives of City agencies shall at a minimum include one representative from each of the following City departments or committee, appointed by the head of each such department or committee: the Planning Department, the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, the Mayor's Office of Public Policy and Finance, the Controller's Office and the Capital Planning Committee and other implementing agencies as deemed appropriate by the CPC; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That two of the four (4) members of the public on the APIF Committee shall be "at-large" representatives, one representative from the ENAP CAC and one representative from the Market & Octavia CAC, and be appointed by the President of the Board of Supervisors; and, be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon any resignation or vacancy of any position on the
APIF Committee, replacements shall be designated in the same manner as the original
appointments; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chair of the APIF Committee shall convene the
public and private members of the APIF Committee separately or together as frequently as
necessary to complete the scope of work identified in this Resolution; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the final consultant study, policy criteria and Rincon Hill
Pilot IFD be presented to the CPC for their review and approval prior to formation of any IFD
or submission to the Mayor or Board of Supervisors.
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September 14, 2010 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED
Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Mar, Maxwell and Mirkarimi

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 9/14/2010 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved: September 21, 2010

Mayor Gavin Newsom