FILE NO. 160721

RESOLUTION NO. 332-16

[Approval of Recycled Water Pump Station and Two Groundwater Well Stations in Golden Gate Park]

Resolution approving construction of a recycled water pump station building, and two groundwater well station buildings in Golden Gate Park under Charter, Section 4.113, as part of the San Francisco Westside Recycled Water and San Francisco Groundwater Supply Projects.

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) has developed and approved a project description for the San Francisco Groundwater Supply Project (Groundwater Project), Project No. CUW30102, which is a water infrastructure project included as part of the Water System Improvement Program (WSIP); and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC has developed and approved a project description for the San Francisco Westside Recycled Water Project (Recycled Water Project), Project No. CUW30201, which is a water infrastructure project included as part of the WSIP; and

WHEREAS, The Groundwater and Recycled Water Projects are located in the City and County of San Francisco and their completion would help the SFPUC achieve the WSIP Level of Service goal for water supply adopted by the SFPUC in Resolution No. 08-200; and

WHEREAS, The objectives of the Groundwater Project are to create a new potable groundwater supply of up to 4 million gallons per day, which will expand and diversify the SFPUC's water supply portfolio and increase system reliability by increasing the use of local water supply sources and reducing dependence on imported surface water, and to also provide drinking water for emergency supply in the event of an earthquake or other major catastrophe; and

WHEREAS, The objectives of the Recycled Water Project are to produce a new supply of recycled water up to of 2 million gallons per day for irrigation, lake fill, and other non-
potable uses, which will expand and diversify the SFPUC's water supply portfolio and 
increase system reliability by increasing the use of local water supply sources and reducing 
dependence on imported surface water; and

WHEREAS, The Groundwater and Recycled Water Projects are capital improvement 
projects approved by the SFPUC as part of the WSIP; and

WHEREAS, An environmental impact report (EIR) as required by the California 
Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) was prepared for the Groundwater Project in Planning 
Department File No. 2008.1122E; and

WHEREAS, An EIR as required by the CEQA was prepared for the Recycled Water 
Project in Planning Department File No. 2008.0091E; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Planning Commission on December 19, 2013, certified 
the Final EIR (FEIR) for the Groundwater Project by Motion No. 19050, adopted CEQA 
Findings, including a statement of overriding considerations and a Mitigation Monitoring and 
Reporting Program by Motion No. 19051, found the Project consistent with the General Plan 
by Motion No. 19052, and approved a local coastal zone permit for the Project by Motion No. 19053; and

WHEREAS, On January 14, 2014, the SFPUC, by Resolution No. 14-0010, a copy of 
which is included in Board of Supervisors File No. 140289 and which is incorporated herein by 
this reference: (1) approved the Groundwater Project; and (2) adopted findings (CEQA 
Findings), including a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring 
and Reporting Program (MMRP) as required by CEQA; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Planning Commission on September 3, 2015 certified 
the FEIR by Motion No. M-19442, including a statement of overriding considerations and a 
MMRP for the Recycled Water Project by Motion No. 19443, and found the Project consistent 
with the General Plan by Resolution No. 19444; and
WHEREAS, On September 8, 2015, the SFPUC, by Resolution No. 15-0187, a copy of which is included in Board of Supervisors File No. 160721 and which is incorporated herein by this reference: (1) approved the Recycled Water Project; and (2) adopted CEQA Findings, including a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and a MMRP as required by CEQA; and (3) authorized the General Manager of the SFPUC to implement the Recycled Water Project, in compliance with the Charter and applicable law, and subject to subsequent Commission action and Board of Supervisors approval, where required; and

WHEREAS, The Groundwater Project and the Recycled Water Project FEIRs are tiered from the WSIP Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) certified by the Planning Commission on October 30, 2008 by Motion No. 17734; and

WHEREAS, Thereafter, the SFPUC approved the WSIP and adopted findings and a PEIR MMRP as required by CEQA on October 30, 2008 by Resolution No. 08-200; and

WHEREAS, The design of the two groundwater wells in Golden Gate Park, included as part of Phase Two of the Groundwater Project, approved by the SFPUC in Resolution No. 14-0010, includes the capability to provide standby irrigation water supplies for park irrigation purposes; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the Recycled Water Pump Station is to deliver recycled water to the Lincoln Park Golf Course and the Presidio as the primary source of irrigation water supply, replacing the current potable water irrigation supply; and

WHEREAS, On June 16, 2016, the San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission, by Resolution No. 1606-007, a copy of which is included in Board of Supervisors File No. 160721 and which is incorporated herein by this reference, found that the construction of two groundwater well buildings under Phase Two of the Groundwater Project and the Recycled Water Project pump station building, all three located in Golden Gate Park, support a recreational purpose in accordance with Charter Section 4.113(2) and recommended that the
Board of Supervisors approve the construction of the two groundwater well buildings and the recycled water pump station building in Golden Gate Park pursuant to Charter Section 4.113(1); and

WHEREAS, The Project files, including the FEIR, PEIR, SFPUC Resolution Nos. 14-0010 and 15-0187, and Recreation and Park Commission Resolution No. 1606-007, have been made available for review by the Board and the public, and those files are considered part of the record before this Board; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the information and findings contained in the FEIR, PEIR, SFPUC Resolution Nos. 14-0010 and 15-0187, and Recreation and Park Commission Resolution No. 1606-007, and all written and oral information provided by the Planning Department, the public, relevant public agencies, SFPUC, Recreation and Park Department and other experts and the administrative files for the Project; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors through its Resolution No. 117-14 found the Groundwater Supply Project FEIR adequate for its use as the decision-making body for the approval of the Project, and adopted and incorporated by reference the CEQA Findings, including the Statement of Overriding Considerations, and the MMRP contained in SFPUC Resolution No. 14-0010, and adopted the City Planning Commission’s General Plan consistency findings for the Project in Motion No. 19052; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 4.113(1) requires the Board of Supervisors to approve the construction of new buildings in Golden Gate Park, subject to certain exceptions specified therein; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors through its Resolution No. 118-14 approved the construction of the building housing the Central Pump Station well and related appurtenances.
in Golden Gate Park as part of the SFPUC’s implementation of the Phase One of the
Groundwater Project, in accordance with Charter Section 4.113(1); now therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors, having reviewed and considered the
Westside Recycled Water Project FEIR and record as a whole, finds that the FEIR is
adequate for its use as the decision-making body for the action taken herein including, but not
limited to, approval of the Recycled Water Project and adopts and incorporates by reference
as though fully set forth herein the CEQA Findings, including the Statement of Overriding
Considerations, and the MMRP contained in SFPUC Resolution No. 15-0187; and be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board finds that the Recycled Water Project
mitigation measures set forth in the Project FEIR and the MMRP, and adopted by the SFPUC
and herein by this Board will be implemented as reflected in and in accordance with the
MMRP; and be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board finds that since the FEIRs for both the
Groundwater Project and Recycled Water Project were finalized, there have been no
substantial project changes and no substantial changes in Project circumstances that would
require major revisions to the FEIRs due to the involvement of new significant environmental
effects or an increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts, and there is
no new information of substantial importance that would change the conclusions set forth in
the FEIRs; and be it
FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board approves the construction of the two
groundwater well buildings and recycled water pump station building in Golden Gate Park as
part of the SFPUC’s implementation of the Groundwater Project Phase Two and Recycled
Water Project.
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July 20, 2016 Budget and Finance Sub-Committee - RECOMMENDED

July 26, 2016 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee
Absent: 1 - Mar

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 7/26/2016 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Peggy Nevin
Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Mayor

Date Approved