[Accept-Expend Foundation Grant]

Resolution authorizing the Department of the Environment to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$50,000 from the Aryshire Foundation to redesign the San Francisco EcoCenter at 11 Grove Street to make it an interactive space that educates and informs residents about Climate Change and its potential effects on the City and County of San Francisco and provides information on solutions to the challenge of Climate Change.

WHEREAS, The Department of the Environment for the City and County of San Francisco (SF Environment) submitted a proposal to the Ayrshire Foundation to redesign its current EcoCenter on the ground floor at its office space at 11 Grove Street; and,

WHEREAS, The Ayrshire Foundation is interested in supporting activities that engage the public in environmental issues; and,

WHEREAS, After a competitive process, the Ayrshire Foundation awarded \$50,000 to SF Environment; and,

WHEREAS, In light of the recent outpouring of news coverage, literature, and films about Climate Change, it is crucial that the City step up to fill the information gap between the overwhelming nature of the challenge and the actions regular citizens can take toward a solution; and,

WHEREAS, Ayrshire Foundation funds will be used to revamp the current EcoCenter to provide visitors with detailed and well-organized information on current climate change science and potential challenges specific to the Bay Area; and,

WHEREAS, The Ayrshire Foundation funds will be used to purchase interactive technology where visitors to the EcoCenter can access environmental resources; and

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WHEREAS, In addition to more technology and better resources, the redesigned EcoCenter will have educational displays and art exhibits on local, national, and global environmental issues; and,

WHEREAS, The City of San Francisco is a national municipal leader in renewable energy, alternative fuels, and other policies addressing global warming; and,

WHEREAS, The EcoCenter will highlight this leadership role; and,

WHEREAS, This project represents one of many that SF Environment is directing to educate and inform the general public and call them to action around the City's Climate Action Plan to reduce green house gas emissions and thus impact climate change; and,

WHEREAS, The grant does not require an ASO amendment; and.

WHEREAS, Indirect costs are prohibited in the budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Director of the Department of the Environment for the City and County of San Francisco to accept and expend a grant of \$50,000 from the Ayshire Foundation to redesign the EcoCenter at 11 Grove Street and create a space that educates and informs the public about Climate Change and actions individuals and businesses can take to address the issue, as well as highlights what the City and County of San Francisco is doing in this area.

Recommended:

Department Head

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Approved:

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January 9, 2007 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Jew, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 9, 2007 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gloria L. Young

Clerk of the Boar

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Date Approved