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[Resolution adopting Findings related to San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Water Treatment Facility and Water Quality Improvements projects in San Joaquin County.]

RESOLUTION NO. 4-09

Resolution adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), CEQA Guidelines and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31, including the adoption of mitigation monitoring and reporting program and a statement of overriding considerations related to the funding of the San Joaquin Regional Water Quality Improvement Project at two sites in San Joaquin County, and directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to notify the Controller of this action.

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) developed project descriptions for water infrastructure improvements as part of the SFPUC's Water System Improvement Program (WSIP) for theTesla Portal Disinfection Facility and the Hetch Hetchy Advanced Disinfection Facility (now The Tesla Treatment Facility, WSIP-funded Project No. CUW38401) and the Lawrence Livermore Water Quality Improvements (WSIPfunded Project No. CUW36401), collectively referred to as the San Joaquin Regional Water Quality Improvement Project (the "Project"), and

WHEREAS, The objectives of the Project are to meet current and foreseeable future federal and state water quality requirements and reduce the vulnerability of the system to earthquakes and other seismic hazards by improvements to already existing uses at two sites: the Tesla Portal site and Thomas Shaft site in San Joaquin County; and

WHEREAS, a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Project was prepared and published for public review on August 25, 2008; and

WHEREAS, public comments on the Draft EIR were received between August 25, 2008 and October 8, 2008; and

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WHEREAS, on December 18, 2008, the Planning Commission reviewed and considered the Final EIR in Planning Department File No. 2007052109, consisting of the Draft EIR and the Comments and Responses document, and found that the contents of said report and the procedures through which the Final EIR was prepared, publicized and reviewed complied with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code ("Chapter 31") and found further that the Final EIR reflected the independent judgment and analysis of the City and County of San Francisco, was adequate, accurate and objective, and that the Comments and Responses document contained no significant revisions to the Draft EIR, and certified the completion of said Final EIR in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines and Chapter 31 in its Motion No. 17784; a copy of the motion is on file with the Clerk of the board in File No. <u>081582</u> and is incorporated into this resolution by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the SFPUC reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR, all written and oral information provided by the Planning Department, the public, relevant public agencies, SFPUC and other experts and the administrative files for the WSIP and the Final EIR; and

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2008, at a special public meeting of the SFPUC, the Commission adopted Resolution No. 08- 0234, in which the SFPUC: (1) adopted CEQA Findings, including the Statement of Overriding Considerations (Attachment A), adopted the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), (Attachment B), and the Standard Construction Measures and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Actions (Attachment C), which SFPUC Resolution and Attachments are incorporated herein as part of this Resolution by this reference thereto, and (2) authorized a request to the Board of Supervisors to adopt the same CEQA Findings, Statement and MMRP (collectively referred to herein as "SFPUC CEQA

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Findings"); and (3) approved the Project and authorized staff to proceed with actions necessary to implement the Project; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC CEQA Findings reflected the SFPUC's independent review and consideration of the relevant environmental information contained in the Final EIR and the administrative record; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC CEQA Findings are on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. <u>081582</u> and are incorporated herein by reference. The Board of Supervisors has had the opportunity to review and consider the Final EIR and the administrative record, which is located at the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, in File No. 2007052109. The Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the SFPUC CEQA Findings made with respect to the construction and implementation of the Project, and finds that there are no changed circumstances or other factors present that would trigger the need or requirement for additional environmental review for this action; and

WHEREAS, The Board endorses the implementation of the mitigation measures identified in the SFPUC CEQA Findings and recommends for adoption any mitigation measures that are enforceable by agencies other than City agencies, all as set forth in the SFPUC CEQA Findings, including the MMRP contained in the referenced SFPUC CEQA Findings; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors finds that social, economic, technological and other benefits warrant approval of the Project notwithstanding the unavoidable significant impacts identified in the FEIR, as described in the SFPUC CEQA Findings (see Attachment A, Section IV). The Project does not have any project-specific significant and unavoidable impacts, however, because the Project is a component of the WSIP it will contribute to such impacts caused by the Program; and

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WHEREAS, this Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 311-08, approving a supplemental appropriation of \$1,923,629,194 for the WSIP, and adopting related CEQA Findings based on 1) the Water System Improvement Program Final Environmental Impact Report (WSIP Final EIR), certified by Planning Commission by its Motion No. 17734, and 2) SFPUC Resolution Nos. 08-0200 and 08-0202 in which the SFPUC: (A) approved the Phased Water System Improvement Program (Phased WSIP) and (B) authorized the request for the Supplemental Appropriation; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 311-08 placed the appropriated funds on Controller's Appropriation Reserve, by project, making release of appropriation reserves by the Controller subject to the prior occurrence of:1) the SFPUC's and the Board's discretionary adoption of CEQA Findings for projects, following review and consideration of completed project-related environmental analysis, pursuant to CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, where required, and 2) the Controller's certification of funds availability, including proceeds of indebtedness. The associated costs covered for this Project under that Ordinance are less than the \$100 million threshold that requires subsequent release of reserves directly by the Board of Supervisors; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered SFPUC Resolution No. 08-0234 authorizing the Project, and the SFPUC CEQA Findings attached thereto, and hereby adopts said Findings as its own with respect to the Project, including the Statement of Overriding Considerations and the MMRP, and directs the Clerk of the Board to forward this Resolution to the Controller.

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January 6, 2009 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Campos, Chu, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Mirkarimi, Peskin

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on January 6, 2009 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board Gavin Newsom Mayor

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Date Approved