[Interim Zoning Controls in the Planning Code - Upper Market Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit District]

Resolution imposing interim zoning controls for an 18-month period requiring Conditional Use authorization for Limited Financial Service and Business or Professional Service uses in the Upper Market Neighborhood Commercial Transit District; making environmental findings and findings of consistency with the General Plan and with the priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1.

WHEREAS, Planning Code Section 306.7 provides for the imposition of interim zoning controls that promote the public interest, including but not limited to development and conservation of the City's commerce and industry to maintain the City's economic vitality and maintain adequate services for its residents, visitors, businesses and institutions; and preservation of neighborhoods and areas of mixed residential and commercial uses and their existing character; and

WHEREAS, Maximizing active ground floor building street frontages and dynamic, pedestrian-friendly neighborhood commercial corridors is a recognized public purpose and promotes the public interest of the City and County of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, The ground floor retail spaces in the Upper Market Street Neighborhood Commercial Transit District (NCT) already contain an over-concentration of financial and business services; and

WHEREAS, The area where the interim controls are imposed is currently regulated by Planning Code Section 733.1 and the Zoning Control Table in Section 733. Section 733.50 of the Zoning Control allows Limited Financial Services, as defined by Planning Code Section 790.112, only on the ground floor as a principally permitted use and Section 733.53 allows

Business or Professional Service, as defined by Planning Code Section 790.108, as a principally permitted use on the ground floor and second story and as a conditional use on the third story and above; and

WHEREAS, These interim controls will allow time for the orderly completion of a planning study and for the adoption of appropriate legislation; and

WHEREAS, This Board of Supervisors ("Board") has considered the impact on the public health, safety, peace and general welfare if the interim controls proposed herein are not imposed; and

WHEREAS, The Board has determined that the public interest will best be served by imposition of these interim controls in order to ensure that the legislative scheme which may be ultimately adopted is not undermined during the planning and legislative process for permanent controls; and

WHEREAS, The Board makes the following findings of consistency with the Priority Policies set forth in Planning Code Section 101.1: By requiring Conditional Use authorization for Limited Financial Service and Business or Professional Service uses, these interim controls advance Priority Policy 1 that existing neighborhood-serving retail uses be preserved and enhanced and Priority Policy 2 that existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected in order to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our neighborhoods; these interim controls do not conflict with the other Priority Policies of Section 101.1; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this Resolution are in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. ______ and is incorporated herein by reference; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Planning Code Section 306.7, the Board hereby requires that a Conditional Use authorization pursuant to Planning Code Section 303 is required to establish a Limited Financial Service, as defined by Planning Code Section 790.112, or Business or Professional Service, as defined by Planning Code Section 790.108, for all parcels located with the Upper Market Street NCT; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon imposition of these interim controls, the Planning Department shall conduct a study of the contemplated zoning proposal and propose permanent legislation to address the issues posed by a concentration of financial and business services in the Upper Market Street NCT; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That these interim controls shall apply to all applications that seek to establish a Limited Financial Service or a Business or Professional Service use in the area covered by the controls that are filed on or after June 25, 2013; and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, That these interim controls shall remain in effect for a period of eighteen (18) months unless extended in accordance with Planning Code Section 306.7(h) or until permanent controls are adopted; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Planning Department shall provide reports to the Board pursuant to Planning Code Section 306.7(i).

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By:

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Depouty City Attorney

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July 08, 2013 Land Use and Economic Development Committee - RECOMMENDED

July 16, 2013 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 7/16/2013 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Date Approved