FILE NO. 140447

[Accept and Expend Grant - Federal Railroad Administration Grant Funds for the Rebuilding of the Quint Street Lead Track - \$2,970,000]

Resolution retroactively authorizing the Port of San Francisco to accept and expend \$2,970,000 in grant funds from the Federal Railroad Administration for the rebuilding of the Quint Street Lead Track for the term of April 1, 2012, through July 31, 2015.

WHEREAS, the Port of San Francisco staff applied for and was awarded a \$2,970,000 grant from the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) to rebuild the Quint Street Lead Track; and

WHEREAS, The FRA's Rail Line Relocation and Improvement (RLR) Grant Program's goal is to assist projects that improve community livability and promote economic development by addressing the effects of rail traffic on safety, roadway and pedestrian traffic, overall quality of life and local area commerce; and

WHEREAS, The Quint Street Lead ("Lead") is an approximately nine-tenths of a mile long freight rail spur track connecting the Main Line, owned and operated by the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB) primarily for Caltrain commuter rail, with the Port of San Francisco cargo terminals and rail yard; and

WHEREAS, The current condition of the spur track limits the frequency, weight and length of trains that can use the track, causing delays; and

WHEREAS, The improvements will allow freight trains to operate at higher speeds and clear the mainline more quickly, reducing delays to Caltrain commuter trains and future high-speed rail trains; and

WHEREAS, The Port has two rail-served cargo terminals that will benefit from these improvements including Pier 80, San Francisco Bay's only breakbulk cargo terminal, and the

Pier 94/96 dry-bulk cargo terminal; and

WHEREAS, The Lead rebuilding project was reviewed by the San Francisco Planning Department and received a Categorical Exemption on April 11, 2013 to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and completed environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in March 2014; and

WHEREAS, This grant does not create any new positions, and will not require an amendment to the Annual Salary Ordinance;

WHEREAS, The Port proposes to maximize use of available grant funds on program expenditures by not including indirect costs in the grant budget; and

WHEREAS, Port capital funds have been identified to provide the required \$330,000 (10% of total project costs) in required non-federal match monies; and,

WHEREAS, The Grant Agreement requires the Grantee to certify by resolution the approval of the Grant Agreement and its terms before execution of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, On October 8, 2013, through Resolution 13-40, the Port Commission authorized the Executive Director seek the Board of Supervisors' approval to accept and expend the grant; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Executive Director of the Port to accept and expend \$2,970,000 in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Railroad Administration and to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests that may be necessary to secure the aforementioned grant funds; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby waives inclusion of indirect costs as a part of the grant budget; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Executive Director of the Port to enter into an agreement, as required by the Federal Railroad Administration, to indemnify the Federal Railroad Administration for liability associated with the grant funds, as approved by the City Risk Manager and the City Attorney's Office; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the Executive Director of the Port to accept and expend the grant funds.

Recommended:

Department Head

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Approved: Mayor

Approved: (Controller

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Date Passed: May 20, 2014

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May 14, 2014 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED

May 20, 2014 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 5/20/2014 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Mayor

Date Approved