SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 15-106

WHEREAS, Sections 36600 et seq. of the California streets and Highway Code, and Article 15A of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code establish the requirements and process for the formation and administration of property and business improvement districts, including Green Benefit Districts (GBDs); and,

WHEREAS, Due to limited government resources, there is support in the Dogpatch and Northwest Potrero Hill neighborhoods for exploring new ways to fund cleaning, greening, beautifying, marketing, promoting and maintaining a vibrant and inviting community; and,

WHEREAS, A GBD Formation Committee, consisting of a broad range of landowners, tenants, developers, condominium owners, renters and advocates for open space, parks, and gardens in the Dogpatch and Northwest Potrero Hill areas propose to form a GBD for two district zones that consist of Dogpatch and Northwest neighborhoods; and,

WHEREAS, A GBD Formation Committee and community stakeholders have developed a GBD Management Plan that identifies community challenges and priorities, proposed projects and services, annual assessments for each parcel, a budget, and a plan for administration of the GBD; and,

WHEREAS, Formation of the GBD will benefit hundreds of property owners and residents by improving community livability and strengthening economic vibrancy in the Dogpatch and Northwest Potrero neighborhoods and commercial corridor; and,

WHEREAS, The property owned by the City and County of San Francisco and under SFMTA jurisdiction is located within the proposed Dogpatch-Northwest Potrero Hill GBD boundaries and would be subject to annual assessments, and the total assessment for the first year of operation (Fiscal Year 2015-2016) would be \$27,580.02 and would increase by maximum 3% annually; and,

WHEREAS, Formation of the GBD is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as defined in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15378(b)(4), as the GBD would create an administrative structure and a funding mechanism for improvements within the GBD boundaries and would not commit the GBD or SFMTA to any specific projects that may result in potentially significant physical impacts on the environment; and,

WHEREAS, Formation of the GBD will result in cleaner transit facilities and sidewalks, enhanced safety, improved streetscapes and additional marketing that will benefit thousands of pedestrians and transit riders; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors supports the formation of the Dogpatch-Northwest Potrero Hill Green Benefit District, and authorizes the Director of Transportation to submit a ballot in favor of the formation of the GBD.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of July 7, 2015.

Secretary to the Board of Directors San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency