SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 15-092

WHEREAS, The City, through the SFMTA, is responsible for maintaining clean, safe and functional streets for its citizen's use, as well as maximizing the amount of available on-street parking and providing congestion management; and

WHEREAS, Efficiently controlling and removing illegally parked and abandoned vehicles is critical to both mandates; and

WHEREAS, The current towing agreement has been in place since August 2005, and will expire at the end of July 2015; and,

WHEREAS, For the proposed agreement, the SFMTA recommends changing from a tow volume methodology to a management fee methodology because annual tow volume has decreased from 71,060 in 2005 to 43,861 in 2014; and,

WHEREAS, The tow volume methodology created a model whereby the contractor's compensation for expenses and profit margin was dependent on the stability of towing volume, which is contrary to the policy of attempting to reduce the number of tows; and,

WHEREAS, Under the new agreement, the contractor will submit a management fee-based cost proposal, plus a variable tow fee to pay tow truck operators that can fluctuate to accommodate any future changes to annual tow volume; and,

WHEREAS, All revenues collected for towing and storage fees under the new agreement will be received by the SFMTA, which gives the agency the authority and flexibility to set one towing and storage fee (instead of two "tow contractor" and "administrative" towing fees) at an appropriate level; and,

WHEREAS, The new agreement will incorporate new processes and updated technologies to reduce the costs of administering the program and thus, the fees charged the public; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation or his designee to issue a Request for Proposals for San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Contract No. 2014-48 for Towing and Storage of Abandoned and Illegally Parked Vehicles, and to negotiate an agreement for these services with the highest-ranked proposer for a term of five years, with the option to extend the agreement for an additional five-year term.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 16, 2015.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency